

CGCS Agenda- Friday, Sept. 10

Via Zoom <https://umsystem.zoom.us/j/6788575869>

- > Office of Graduate Studies Staffing Updates
- > September Graduate Council Meeting Update
- > Graduate Track Pathways (GTP) Stats and Updates
- > Fellowship Opportunities
- > Upcoming Events
- > Reminders & Deadlines



Office of Graduate Studies Staffing Changes

- > Dr. Tsatsoulis – Vice Provost of Graduate Education
- > Huong Pham no longer on campus
- > Erica Reven joined in July
 - Academic dishonesty and student grievance cases
 - Managing the Grad Track Pathway and accelerated programs
 - Managing the Chancellor’s Distinguished Fellowship
 - Managing departmental social media accounts
 - Updating the departmental website
 - Graduate student professional development programming
- > Advising changes
 - Jade Sinnott – students whose last names begin with A-K
 - Kathy Wagner – students whose the last names begin with L-Z
- > Technical Editor
 - Lea Hickerson – Currently part-time
 - Position posted until filled



September Graduate Council Meeting

- > Dr. Oliver Chen, Dean of Curtis Laws Wilson Library
 - Presentation
 - > Copyright and Publication Option Format of Theses/Dissertations
 - Discussion: Important to educate faculty and students about copyright, holds, and plagiarism
 - Sharon working on publication option project
 - > Indefinite Holds for Theses/Dissertations
 - Library to work with Office of Graduate Studies for revisions to Form 2/7
- > Committees
 - Appointment of Ad Hoc Committee to Discuss the Process to Remove an Advisor or Committee Member from a Thesis/Dissertation Committee (Determined in the April 2021 Graduate Council meeting)
 - > Volunteers requested – Contact Kathy Wagner
 - Submit Nominations/Self-Nominations for 2021-22 End of Year Awards Committee to Kathy Wagner (wagnerkc@mst.edu) by **October 13, 2021**. Vote will occur at the November Graduate Council Meeting.
 - > Members still needed: One from graduate faculty; one staff member working with a graduate program/office

Grad Track Pathway (GTP) Statistics

- > 80% of our graduate programs offer a GTP
- > From SP20-SS21, we have had 57 admitted to a GTP
 - 41 enrolled in a MS following graduation (72%)

Graduation Term	SP20	SS20	FS20	SP21	SS21	FS21	SS22
Admitted to GTP	10	1	16	29	1	13	21
Enrolled in MS	10	1	12	17	1		
	100%	100%	75%	59%	100%		

Grad Track Pathway (GTP) Update

- > The timeline for admission into the GTP program was previously one year prior to undergraduate graduation.
- > At the May Graduate Faculty meeting it was approved to adjust the deadline for admittance to the GTP:
 - Recommended to be no later than 30 days prior to the end of semester or end of session that the student completes the undergraduate degree.
 - > This is optional for your department. If you wish to edit your GTP program to include this revision, please make this change in your Admissions Criteria and send Erica Reven (revene@mst.edu) your revised Request for Grad Track Pathway form.
 - “Catalog Year Effective: 2021-2022” will allow Fall 2021 graduates the opportunity to apply for GTP this semester.
 - If your department does not wish to revise your GTP, no action is needed.

Fellowship Opportunities

> NSF GRFP:

- Encourage your students to apply for the NSF GRFP
 - > <https://beta.nsf.gov/funding/opportunities/nsf-graduate-research-fellowship-program-grfp>
 - Deadline Dates
 - > October 18 - Life Sciences
 - > October 19 - Computer and Information Science and Engineering, Materials
 - > October 21 - Engineering
 - > October 22 - Chemistry, Geosciences, Mathematical Sciences, Physics and Astronomy

> SMART Scholarship-for-Service Program

- Available to undergraduate and graduate students pursuing a technical degree in one of the 21 STEM disciplines listed below.
 - > Aeronautical Engineering, Biosciences, Biomedical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Cognitive, Neural, and Behavioral Sciences, Computer and Computational Sciences and Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Geosciences, Industrial and Systems Engineering, Information Sciences, Materials Science and Engineering, Mathematics, Mechanical Engineering, Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering, Nuclear Engineering, Oceanography, Operations Research, Physics
- Scholarship includes:
 - > Full tuition and education related fees
 - > Stipend paid at a rate of \$25,000 - \$38,000 depending on degree
 - > Summer research internships ranging from 8 to 12 weeks
 - > An experienced mentor at one of the Sponsoring Facilities
 - > Employment placement at a DoD facility after graduation.
- *All* awardees must be:
 - > A citizen of the United States, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, or United Kingdom at time of application,
 - > Able to complete at least one summer internship at a DoD facility,
 - > Willing to accept post-graduate employment with the DoD,
 - > A student in good standing with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
 - > Requesting at least 1 year of degree funding prior to graduation (which starts at the program start date)
- More info: <https://www.smartscholarship.org/smart>

> Additional Funding Opportunities:

- <https://grad.mst.edu/future-students/funding/external/>



Upcoming Events

- > **Fall schedule still being finalized**
 - Website will be updated once dates are set
- > **Recorded Workshops and Resources**
 - Upcoming Events webpage: <https://grad.mst.edu/events/>
- > **Graduate Student Support Group (Hosted by Student Well Being)**
 - Grad students and a counselor meet for weekly support regarding unique challenges of grad school and other important life areas. Common topics of discussion address time management, procrastination, impostor syndrome, social anxiety, career planning/networking, mentoring/leading other students, communication/collaboration with advisors.
 - **Fridays, 2:00pm**
 - Students can call x4211 to schedule an intro meeting with the group leader

Reminders and Deadlines

- > Friday, Sept. 10 (TODAY!)
 - Substitution for Required Certificate Course(s) Form
 - Certificate Program Courses Form
 - Form 1A/5A: Revised Plan of Study (if needed)
- > Friday, Oct. 8:
 - Last day to submit thesis or dissertation for technical editing
- > Monday, Nov. 1:
 - Thesis/Dissertation first format check due
- > Wednesday, Nov. 10:
 - Form 2/7: Results of final defense and approval of the thesis/dissertation
- > Friday, Nov. 19:
 - Final thesis/dissertation must be accepted by the Office of Graduate Studies

- > **All forms accepted via email with electronic signatures and/or email approvals**

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Thank you!

Next meeting October 15 via Zoom

(email Sharon (matsons@mst.edu) if you have a topic you would like on the agenda)

