# Grad Partners Meeting Winter 2022



# **Staffing Updates**

Sky Seymour – Operations Analyst (Slate specialist)

Srithip Prime – Finance Manager

Director of Diversity & Inclusion – Position vacant



# Division of Graduate Studies Name Change

#### Reminder:

- Please update departmental materials (websites, handbooks, etc.) with the new name of the division.
- Start using <u>graduatestudies@uoregon.edu</u>
  (<u>gradsch@uoregon.edu</u> is still active for now)



#### INT'L GRAD PROCESS

#### **Becky Crabtree (name change!)**

International Student & Scholar Services

Division of Global Engagement, Oregon Hall

#### STEP I: ADMISSION NOTIFICATION

- Receive notification of admission to DGS (w/admit letters) via Admissions
- Send welcome email w/admit letter
  - Link to Financial Documentation for Intl GR Students
  - Link to Pre-Arrival Checklist consolidated ISSS and DGS steps
    - Link: <a href="https://graduatestudies.uoregon.edu/admissions/new-students-orientations/admitted-students">https://graduatestudies.uoregon.edu/admissions/new-students-orientations/admitted-students</a>

#### **STEP 2: FINANCIALS**

- Receive Personal Information & Financial Verification Form
  - Submit via int'l student portal (iConnect) or via email
  - Financials only required for students applying for F-1 or J-1 visa
  - GE's just need to submit department acceptance/award letter
  - Link: <a href="https://isss.uoregon.edu/financial-documentation-international-graduate-students">https://isss.uoregon.edu/financial-documentation-international-graduate-students</a>

#### STEP 3: VISA PROCESS

- Issue I-20s (for visa appointment) only after evidence of financial resources/funding for one year is received
- US transfers receive SEVIS transfer instructions
- I-20s are now sent electronically no more Fed Ex shipments!
  - Exception DS-2019s for J-1 visa must be sent via Fed Ex
- US Embassies are almost fully re-opened
  - Iranians must travel to third country to apply for visa

#### STEP 4: ARRIVAL & ORIENTATION

- Arrival to US must be within 30 days of start of term
- International Student Orientation in-person but not required
  - September 19 21
  - Collaborate with DGS
  - Link: <a href="https://isss.uoregon.edu/iso">https://isss.uoregon.edu/iso</a>

# Writing Resources

- Graduate Writing Circles
- Writing Workshops
- Writing Coach, Mike Murashige
- Survey of Programs to identify existing resources and areas of need

# Slate "Insight" CRM Update

- Feedback on Program Supplements due February 21st
- User Acceptance Testing (late spring)
- Communication about process changes necessitated by new system forthcoming (deferrals, etc.)
- Go-live for 2023 applications (late summer)



# AY 2022-23 Division of Graduate Studies Recruitment Awards



- Campus Visit Support
  - **Amount:** Funds in this category doubled this year up to \$1000 per student; \$4000 max per program!
  - **Application Process:** Program applies via short Qualtrics application, first come first served.
  - Eligibility: Prospective doctoral students.
- <u>Top-Off Recruitment Support</u>
  - **Amount:** Funds in this category doubled this year up to \$4000 max per program. Can be requested for one student or split among multiple students.
  - **Application Process:** Program applies via short Qualtrics application, first come first served.
  - Eligibility: Prospective doctoral students.



#### Raymund Fellowships

- **Amount:** A stipend \$5,000 above that of a first year GE in the student's academic program plus a tuition waiver, student fees and UO student insurance.
- Application Process: Departments nominate via GradWeb.
  - Nominations due February 16th, 2022 by 3pm.
- Eligibility: Prospective doctoral students.
- **Note:** We are only accepting one nominee per program this year, instead of the standard two nominees.
- Promising Scholar Award
  - **Amount:** \$6,000 award. Programs must guarantee Graduate Employment during first two years.
  - Application Process: Departments nominate via GradWeb.
    - Round 1 nominations deadline: February 2, 2022, 3 pm.
    - Round 2 nominations deadline: February 23, 2022, 3 pm.
  - **Eligibility:** Doctoral student or master's students in fields where doctoral degrees are not offered.



- Lokey Graduate Science Awards
  - Amount: Up to \$6,000 per award.
  - Application Process: Already allocated this year. Next year programs will receive instructions about applying for this award.
  - Eligibility: Doctoral students in the sciences.
- Future Stewards Program
  - **Amount:** Up to 6 terms of tuition support for new or continuing graduate students in master's or doctoral programs.
  - Application Process: Students apply via qualtrics
    - Deadline: March 2, 2022
  - **Eligibility:** Open to members of a federally recognized tribe of Oregon or a Native American tribe that had traditional and customary tribal boundaries in parts of the state of Oregon or that ceded or reserved lands within the state of Oregon.



• Questions?

 Detailed info can be found here: <u>https://graduatestudies.uoregon.edu/recruitment-funds-departments</u>



# Reminder: GE PRF Process

PRFs can now be submitted via DuckDocs (OnBase) instead of DuckDocs (Perceptive)!

More information about the GE hiring process is available here:

https://graduatestudies.uoregon.edu/academics/policies/ge/ge-hiring-process



### **GE Reminders**

- Current CBA extended through June 2023
- "Option B" still an option for Summer 2022
- 2022-23 base rates:
  - We have reached out to schools/colleges, deadline was 2/15



# **Grad Coordinator Handbook**

Updated version available at:

https://graduatestudies.uoregon.edu/sites/graduatestudies1.uoregon.edu/files/graduate\_coordinator\_handbook\_updated\_jan\_2022\_final.pdf



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# **Grading Option Changes**

#### For Winter 2022:

- Deadlines to change grading option:
  - March 13<sup>th</sup> in DuckWeb
  - March 28th via special request form for students graduating Winter
  - April 10<sup>th</sup> via special request form for all other students
- Courses changed to P/N will count toward the 24 graded credit requirement for master's degrees
- Departments have discretion to accept P grades in lieu of grades for departmental requirements
- See <a href="https://registrar.uoregon.edu/2020-temporary-changes/grading-option">https://registrar.uoregon.edu/2020-temporary-changes/grading-option</a>



# Doctoral Oral Defense Process

#### **Reminders:**

- Fully remote defenses allowed (permanent policy change)
- No physical signatures required
  - Committee members log back in to GradWeb within 2 weeks after defense to certify successful defense; delegate any remaining revisions to committee chair
  - Committee chair (and advisor, if applicable) logs in within 2 weeks after defense to certify they have approved final version of the dissertation
- Deadlines
  - Complete application due 2 weeks prior to defense
  - Approved dissertation due to GS 2 weeks after defense



# Doctoral Oral Defense Process

- 3-4 weeks prior: Student submits application in GradWeb
- 2 weeks prior: All committee members have approved in GradWeb, Grad Coordinator approves on behalf of department
- Defense takes place
- Within 2 weeks after defense:
  - All committee members have certified results of defense in GradWeb
  - Committee chair/advisor have certified final approval of dissertation
  - Student uploads dissertation via ProQuest



# ETD Style Manual Updates

- Increased flexibility
  - Margins
  - Table of Contents
  - Prefatory Pages

Either version acceptable through Summer 2022

https://graduatestudies.uoregon.edu/2016-2021-style-manual



# Scholarships & Awards

#### Most awards have March 1 deadline

- Apply via UO Scholarship Dashboard (except Sylff)
- Must complete the General Application first

#### Dissertation Fellowships:

- Each program may nominate one PhD student
- Students must apply by 3/1; depts must select nominees prior to then

#### Sylff Fellowship:

- Application process managed by OSU this year
- Application deadline is May 2
- Each program may nominate one doctoral student



# Scholarships & Awards

### **Gary Smith Summer Professional Development Scholarship**

- No longer just for summer!
- Apps accepted on a rolling basis all year
- Up to \$3,000 for professional development expenses

#### **Kimble First-Year Teaching Award**

- Two \$500 awards:
  - 1st time lab/discussion leader
  - 1st time sole instructor
- Deadline: June 30



