Welcome to the Grad College

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Reminders

- Verify your personal information in Student Self-Service
- Set up and check your Exchange Email Account (NetID@Illinois.edu)
- Take your transcripts to the Graduate Admissions Office
- If you have a fellowship, turn in your notice of appointment to the Graduate College Fellowship Office.
- Register for courses by deadlines

See details at www.grad.illinois.edu/quick-guide
What We Do

**ACADEMIC SERVICES**
Graduate Admissions, Records & Registration, Petitions, Thesis Deposit

**POLICIES & PROGRAMS**
Academic Policies, Degree Requirements, New Programs

**FINANCIAL SUPPORT**
Fellowship Appointments, Grad College & External Fellowships, Proposal Writing

**STUDENT SUCCESS**
Professional & Career Development, Problem Solving, Diversity & Inclusion

**COMMUNICATIONS**
GradLinks, Website, Social Media, Blog, Student/Alumni Stories

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3 Cross-cutting Areas

**EDUCATIONAL EQUITY PROGRAMS**

**OMBUDSPERSON / STUDENT WELLNESS**

**AIDE – ASSESSMENT OF DOCTORAL PROGRAMS**
Who We Serve

10,113 Graduate Students enrolled in graduate degree programs (Fall 15, excluded Law JD, Vet Med DVM, and CITL-non degree)

139 Master's degree programs

93 Doctoral degree programs

21 Fully online graduate degree programs

600 Postdoctoral Scholars

400+ EOs, DGSs, and grad program contacts

2,500+ Graduate Faculty

Enrollment by Broad Field:

- Behavioral & Social Sciences: 38%
- Engineering & Physical Sciences: 38%
- Humanities & Creative Arts: 13%
- Biological & Agricultural Sciences: 11%

Who We Serve

- Acquire specialized knowledge
- Take more active role
- Carve out your own niche
- Work at forefront of field
- Become a member of profession
Tips for Success

- Develop a strong network
- Create a plan for studies and career
- Take ownership of your degree
- Self-care and wellness

Grad School 101: Assistantships & Campus Employment

Most assistantship offers are made through your home department. Check with your department first.

Other resources for assistantships and hourly employment

- Assistantship Clearinghouse
- I-Link
- Virtual Job Board
- Research Park Job Board

Details and links posted at www.grad.illinois.edu/job-boards
Graduate Assistant Employee Orientation

- For teaching, research, pre-professional, and graduate assistants
- Information about appointments and benefits
- Co-sponsored by Academic Human Resources and the Graduate College

Offered twice:

Wed., Sept. 6  
3:00 – 4:30 P.M.  
or  
Thurs., Sept. 15  
9:00 – 10:30 A.M.

Illini Union – Room 404

Grad School 101: Your Academic Record

REGISTRATION SERVICES: Assistance with registration, deadlines, alternative registration options, and general questions.

STUDENT RECORDS: Assistance with updating student records such as changing degree programs, adding/dropping concentrations, minors and transferring credit.

ACADEMIC POLICIES: Advising support for graduate students to help navigate graduate college policy and academic deadlines.

www.grad.illinois.edu/academic-support
Grad School 101: Finding Fellowships

**SEARCH**
Browse our Fellowship Finder database to find a fellowship that’s right for you

**LEARN**
Take our grant-writing workshops and learn the art of proposal writing

**REFINE**
Utilize our one-on-one proposal review service to create your most competitive proposal

Grad School 101: Career Development

**SUCCEED**
Get tools you need to succeed in graduate school and beyond

**EXPLORE**
Discover broad and exciting career options that use your advanced skills

**SEARCH**
Land the job for you with effective application materials and interview preparation

**CONNECT**
Make connections with alumni and employers in your chosen fields
Grad School 101: The Thesis/Dissertation

DEVELOPMENT:
Research, write, repeat

DEPARTMENT APPROVAL:
Are you ready to defend?

GRAD COLLEGE APPROVAL:
Prepare for your deposit

Grad School 101: What does the GC Ombudsperson do?

CONNECTING
Making referrals to appropriate resources, offices, and services

CONSULTING
Offering expertise, information, and assistance to prevent problems

COACHING
Advising on strategies for addressing problems and minimizing conflict

CONFLICT RESOLUTION
Providing guidance in resolving academic conflict
New Grad Student Welcome Reception
Monday, August 22, 4-6 p.m.
Illini Union, Illini Rooms A-C and South Lounge

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship - Information Session
Friday, September 9, 2-4 p.m.
Ikenberry Commons, Multipurpose Room

GradMAP - goal setting workshop
Friday, September 30, 3:30-5pm
Coble Hall Room 304

http://go.grad.illinois.edu/events
Watch for...

- Research Live! Competition
- Image of Research Competition
- Grad Student Leadership Award
- Grad Student Appreciation Week
- Fellowship proposal writing workshops
- Career development/preparation workshops

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