Jan 19th **Orientation for New Graduate Students**

Choose to attend one of the following hour long sessions held in Ingram 101. If you are a new GTA, please try to attend the 4:15-5:15 session or contact Ms. Lisa Mitchell in the Graduate Office if you are unable to do so. If you are both a new student AND a new GTA, you will not need to attend both sessions.

8:15-9:15; 9:45-10:45; 11:15-12:15; 1-2; 2:45-3:45; 4:15-5:15 (GTA refresher or for new GTAs); 5:30-6:30

All Tuesday at Ingram sessions (ING 101) are at 10:00-11:00 and 4:00-5:30 unless otherwise noted.

Drinks and some sort of refreshment is always available.

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10:00 Coffee and Conversation

**4:00-6:00 OPTUM (see attached flyer) in SUC 220**

Feb 2

**Teams and Teamwork with Jeff Beaudin**, Director of Training at iTrip Vacations and Certified Teamability® Consultant

10:00 ONLY. Learn about the new discoveries science has made about high performing teams and how to leverage them as a leader and a candidate.

4:00 Coffee and conversation

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**The Processes and Procedures for Seeking External Grant Funding for Graduate Students, including Fulbright application information**

**10:00** – Samantha Cantrell and Todd Gary will be presenting information regarding the external funding process to graduate students enrolled in a program/discipline in the Colleges of Behavioral and Health Sciences, Business, Liberal Arts, and Media and Entertainment. The focus of the presentation will be on how to lay the groundwork that will make you and your project competitive for external funding, finding sources of funding for your project, and navigating the application process. Also Laura Clippard will encourage graduate students to learn more about the U.S. Student Fulbright Program grants which provide paid research or teaching experience overseas. Full grants provide round-trip transportation, language or orientation courses, tuition, books, health and accident insurance, and maintenance (and sometimes cover dependents). Requirements vary from country to country.

**4:00** – Sharon Brown-Smith and Todd Gary will be presenting information regarding the external funding process to graduate students enrolled in a program/discipline in the College of Basic and Applied Sciences or the College of Education. The focus of the presentation will be on how to lay the groundwork that will make you and your project competitive for external funding, finding sources of funding for your project, and navigating the application process. Also Laura Clippard will encourage graduate students to learn more about the U.S. Student Fulbright Program grants which provide paid research or teaching experience overseas. Full grants provide round-trip transportation, language or orientation courses, tuition, books, health and accident insurance, and maintenance (and sometimes cover dependents). Requirements vary from country to country.
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10:00 – Coffee and conversation

4:00 -5:30  Intellectual property, patents, copyrights, etc. with Andrienne Friedli

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TBA

Mar 1  
$Start $mart (10:00 Barbara Scales; 4:00 Janet McCormick)

$Start $mart workshops provide college students who are approaching the job market with knowledge and skills to negotiate salaries and benefits so that they receive fair and realistic compensation. There is no other campus program that offers such detailed skill building on pay negotiation. $Start $mart covers the following topics:

- The personal consequences of the gender wage gap and what a $1 million loss means over one’s working life
- Resources for benchmarking reasonable salaries and benefits, including salary ranges, the impact of market realities on salaries, and how to compare skills and accomplishments to target a realistic salary range
- Negotiation skills that teach students how to aim high and be realistic

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SPRING BREAK

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Thesis/Dissertation submission “workshop” with Sara Hayes

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Writing workshops

10:00 Library 272 Writing Center workshop – Caty Chapman and James Hamby

4:00 Library 272 Research and citation management workshop – Mary Ellen Sloane

**Wed 23rd**  
Additional writing workshops**

10:00 Library 272 Research and citation management workshop – Mary Ellen Sloane

4:00 Library 272 Writing Center workshop – Caty Chapman and James Hamby

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SACS – Accreditation meetings so NO events this Tuesday

April 5  

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Equal Pay Day – co-sponsored with the AAUW – Ms. Dia Cirillo

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