The College of Education’s
Graduate Student Orientation
Thursday August 31

TIME:  9:00-3:00  LOCATION:  813 North Pleasant Street, Furcolo Hall

PARKING:  Passes for Lot 44 (behind Furcolo) will be available when you arrive

Please join us for a day of introductions, program information, questions-and-answers, community building, and the celebration of the start of the new academic year.
Light breakfast and outdoor BBQ lunch will be provided.
College of Education Grad Employees, please join us for

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Thurs., Sept. 7th 11 am - 4 pm

Student Union Ballroom

More info: www.uawumassetrustfund.org
Monday, August 28th - 12:00-1:00pm
538 Goodell
**Grant Series, Part I: Searching for External Funding**
Need external funding to support your research? Get started by learning about basic tools available to UMass graduate students and postdocs to help find grants and fellowships. We'll also discuss tips to manage your funding search. This is the first in a three-part series—come to one event or all three! Lunch will be provided. [Pre-registration](#) is required.

Tuesday, August 29th - 12:00-1:00pm
538 Goodell
**Grant Series, Part II: Framing & Writing the Proposal**
A successful grant proposal requires good ideas that are organized well. This session will outline various application elements, provide tips to craft a clear, cohesive proposal, and discuss common reasons proposals fail. This is the second offering in a three-part series, but attendance at the previous sessions is not required to participate. Lunch will be provided. [Pre-registration](#) is required.

Wednesday, August 30th - 12:00-1:00pm
538 Goodell
**Grant Series, Part III: Soliciting Feedback & Revising**
Want to turn a good funding application into a great one? Solicit feedback on your writing and make time for revisions. Come learn techniques, and get a dose of confidence, to accomplish these critical tasks. This is the final offering in a three-part series, but attendance at the previous sessions is not required to participate. Lunch will be provided. [Pre-registration](#) is required.

Wednesday, August 30th - 2:00-3:30pm
917 Campus Center
**NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Application Strategies**
A three year award that provides an annual stipend of $34,000, the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) is one of the most prestigious awards for early-career STEM and social science graduate students. Our panel will share tips for crafting compelling proposals, offer insight on what reviewers look for, and outline UMASS resources to help you prepare your application. Eligibility information for the GRFP may be found on the program's website. [Pre-registration](#) required.

Thursday, August 31st - 9:30-10:30am
538 Goodell
**Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship: Application Strategies**
Proving $30,000 of support during the final year of graduate school, the Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship is one of the most prestigious fellowships awarded to graduate students. Panelists, including faculty and successful Mellon/ACLS fellowship recipients, will provide advice on how to craft a competitive and cohesive proposal. This session is ideal for those intending to apply this year as well as those planning ahead to apply next year. Light refreshments provided. [Pre-registration](#) is required.

More Graduate School professional development opportunities are on page 6.
FALL 2017 EXTERNSHIPS - Deadline September 8, 2017

The deadline to submit complete fall 2017 externship forms and documents to Kristin Tyler in the Office of Academic Affairs (W114 Furcolo) is 9/8/2017. Forms must be typed and original ink signatures are required.

Please see the Graduate School website for the full externship policy, procedures, and forms at: http://www.umass.edu/gradschool/funding-support/graduate-assistantship-office/externship-policy-procedures

Please contact Kristin Tyler at ktyler@educ.umass.edu for questions regarding externships.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINAL ORAL EXAMINATION

JACQUELINE BROUSSEAU-PEREIRA, September 15, 2017, 9:30 a.m. room N113 Furcolo.
“Playing the Field: A Case of Restructuring at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.”
Chair: Dr. Ryan Wells

ILEANA VASU, September 21, 2017 10:00 a.m., room N113 Furcolo. “Multiple Representations of the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus as Enacted in the Curriculum, Sense-Making and Gender.” Chair: Dr. Sandra Madden

ISSR hosts open house on September 22

The Institute for Social Science Research (ISSR) is celebrating its 5 year anniversary this year. There will be an open house on September 22 in their new space, along with a reception immediately following. All are invited.

https://www.umass.edu/sbs/calendar/event/issr-five-year-anniversary-celebration

The College's calendar of events and meetings is at http://www.umass.edu/education/news/calendar

Send your information for the calendar to dms@educ.umass.edu
Austin named Director of Board

Theresa Austin was elected Director of the Board of the International Society for Language Studies (ISLS). Her three-year term ends in the summer of 2020. Austin notes that the director supports the ISLS’ Executive Board, which includes advising the Executive Board on matters regarding membership, gathering perspectives from diverse parts of the world on issues that emerge from the profession, participating in discussions on how to promote the work of the ISLS, volunteering for duties related to the functioning of the society, such as coordinating conference planning, registration and session facilitation.

Galman lecture

Sally Campbell Galman will give a lecture for the UMass Amherst Anthropology Department Seminar Series on September 13. The title of her lecture is "The artist and Peter Both-in-One: Doing art and arts-based ethnographic research with and about very young children."

Krezmien appointed Associate Dean for Research & Engagement

Michael Krezmien has been named the college’s Associate Dean for Research and Engagement (ORE.) Krezmien is an associate professor in the Department of Student Development and the director of the Center for Youth Engagement, an interdisciplinary effort dedicated to the advancement of successful and post school outcomes for underserved and at-risk youth. His research interests are in emotional and behavioral disorders, juvenile justice, mental health, social and educational inequities associate with race and disability status.

NERD SUMMIT 2018  March 17-18, 2018

NERD creates positive and supportive learning opportunities for people who work, or want to work in web and related technology. Too many smart, passionate people have been traditionally excluded from tech careers, and we're changing that.

Each year we hold our annual NERD Summit. Learn with our local tech community at a free conference of talks, workshops, coding challenges, food, and fun!

Please join us! Save the Date! Info here!
Inside the American Classroom: Building Connection with Students
What kind of relationship do you want with your students? What kind of relationship do they expect to have with you? Join us to discuss the dynamics of the American college classroom and suggest effective ways to establish a climate of approachability that supports student learning. Part of the International Scholars Forum co-sponsored by TEF; all international faculty, postdocs, and grad students are welcome! Pre-registration link coming soon!

Cheating Lessons: Learning from Academic Dishonesty
Why do students cheat? If we better understand the reasons for cheating, we can use that knowledge to improve our course design, teaching practices, and communication with students. Please join Dr. James M. Lang, Professor of English and Director of the Center for Teaching Excellence, Assumption College, for an overview of the various pressures that push student toward cheating, propose solutions for helping students learn how to do their work with integrity, and invite discussion about how to build a campus culture of academic integrity. View the flyer for more information about this widely sponsored event. Lunch will be provided. Pre-registration link coming soon!

Selling Your Research on the Academic Job Market
How can you make your research stand out among a sea of applications? Learn how to discuss your dissertation or postdoc work as it relates to your potential as a tenure-track faculty member. Even if your applications don't require a formal research statement, learning to talk about research can help you in your cover letter and in interviews. Pre-registration required.

Career Conversations: Faculty Life at a Teaching Intensive Institution with Dr. James M. Lang
Are you thinking of applying to professor positions at small liberal arts schools or regional state colleges? Please join Dr. James M. Lang, Professor of English and Director of the Center for Teaching Excellence, Assumption College, for an informal discussion about what teaching and research are like at a teaching intensive institution and tips for applying to similar institutions! Helpful for those on the academic job market as well as those exploring a variety of faculty career options. Pre-registration required.

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