Funding Opportunities

The 16th Annual Graduate Research Symposium will be held March 24-25, 2017 at the Sadler Center. This year there are 140 presenters scheduled to give talks and posters, including nearly 40 presenters from 11 visiting institutions including Harvard and Stanford. Please join us Thursday night, March 23 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm in Commonwealth Auditorium for Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition. Be sure to join us Friday, March 24 from 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm for our Professional Development Fair and the Poster Presentation and Networking Reception from 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm. The Research Symposium is free and open to the public. Check out the Upcoming Research Symposium website. The 2017 schedule of presenters can be found on the web.

Important Theses and Dissertations Guidelines and deadlines for May 2017 Graduation:

March 24, 2017 Deadline for submission of required DRAFT dissertation for May 2017 degree conferral. See Physical Standards for Theses & Dissertations for templates

March 24, 2017 Deadline for the submission of the signed License and Embargo Form to the OGSR for May 2017 degree conferral. More

April 7, 2017 Defense must take place on, or before, this date for May 2017 degree conferral.


W&M EVENTS

- The Reves Center is seeking enthusiastic graduate students to serve as International Orientation Peer Leaders. Great way to build your leadership, cross-cultural competence and team-building skills. Applications are due on March 15, midnight. Questions? Contact Eva Wong at ywong@wm.edu

- Presenting at the GRS or the Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition? Come to this workshop to learn how to improve your oral presentation skills, hosted by Sarah Glosson (Graduate Center) and Phaedra McNorton (Theatre). Learn tips for how to organize your research into a concise and clear presentation, how to maximize visual
aids, and how to best present yourself. Plus, we’ll have pizza following the workshop! Thursday, March 16, 12:30-1:30, in the Ewell Recital Hall (located on the first floor of the Music Dept. side of Ewell Hall). Pizza will be served at the end of the workshop. Please respond to this survey to register for the workshop and confirm your participation.

- **ETD, Copyright, and Embargo Info Session for Graduate A&S students:** March 17 at 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. in the Ford Classroom (Swem) Learn more about the Electronic Thesis & Dissertation (ETD) submission process, as well as about issues regarding copyright and embargo of your research. This session is REQUIRED for anyone planning to embargo a thesis or dissertation for more than 6 years. These info sessions are offered by Kathleen DeLaurenti. You may attend in person (Ford Classroom in Swem), or, if you live away from campus and need to participate virtually, contact Sarah Glosson. More

- **Mi Zhang**, Physics Dissertation will present Defense titled: *Study of Spatial Structure of Squeezed Vacuum Field* on Monday, March 20th 2017 from 9am - 12pm in Small Hall, Room 122. More

- **Melissa R. Beebe**, Physics will present her Dissertation Defense titled: *Highly-Correlated Electron Behavior in Niobium and Niobium Compound Thin Films* on Tuesday, March 21st 2017 from 3pm - 6pm in Small Hall, Room 122. More

- **Research Funding A&S Graduate Student Research Grants.** A&S Graduate students are encouraged to apply for support [maximum of $300] from the Office of Graduate Studies and Research (OGSR) that will allow them to collect data at museums or archives, conduct research, and travel to field work sites. Applications for Summer 2017 must be received in the Office of Graduate Studies and Research by 4:00 p.m. on March 17, 2017. This will cover expenses incurred: April 16, 2017 – August 31, 2017. More

- **OGSR/GSA Supplemental Conference Travel Funding.** Through a collaborative effort between the Office of Graduate Studies and Research (OGSR) and the GSA, a limited number of awards are available to assist selected Arts & Sciences graduate students who are attending or presenting at a research conference. The application deadline for conference travel taken during the period April 16, 2017 – August 31, 2017 is: 5:00 pm on March 17, 2017. More

- **Fall 2017 Registration** for Continuing Students starts Monday, March 20th 2017 8am through Friday, March 24th 2017 11:59pm. More

• **Important Notice for Continuous Enrollment Students** - Effective Fall 2017 the Committee on Graduate Studies unanimously approved increasing the [Continuous Enrollment Fee](#) to $150.00 per semester.

• Mandatory A&S **New Graduate Student Orientation** will be Monday, August 28th 2017 from 9am - 5pm in the Sadler Center

• **Fall 2017 Schedule Adjustments/Registration for Continuing Students** starting Saturday, March 25th 2017 - Saturday, July 1st 2017. [More](#)

• **Careers in Historic Preservation & Public History**. Learn about careers in historic preservation, public history, and cultural resource management from Todd Ballance, Executive Director of Historic St. Luke's Church. Todd will also be available to discuss internship opportunities at St. Luke's. Monday, March 27th 2017 from 5pm - 6pm in the Cohen Career Center, Presentation Room A&B. [More](#)

• The **Graduate Student Association** of Arts and Sciences will be having their Monthly Meeting to discuss graduate student events, funding opportunities, and concerns. Wednesday, March 29th 2017 from 5:30pm - 6:30pm in the Sadler Center, Colony Room. [More](#)

• **Ge Peng**, Computer Science will present her Dissertation Defense, titled: *Enhancing Energy Efficiency and Privacy Protection of Smart Devices* on Thursday, March 30th 2017 from 3:30pm - 5:30pm in the McGlothlin-Street Hall, Room 002

• Your help is appreciated! W&M Libraries and the Graduate Center seek feedback on whether or not you use the **Grad Commons** (on the 2nd floor of Swem), and how we could make the space better. Please help us improve this grad-only space by filling out a [very brief survey](#).

• **NEW: Graduate Writing Resources Center!!** Want some help on a writing assignment, research proposal, thesis, or ANY type of graduate-level writing? We are excited to announce the Graduate Writing Resources Center (GWRC), as a new part of the Writing Resources Center located on the 1st Floor of Swem Library. Grad students can now make appointments to work with specially-trained peer graduate consultants. Writers at all levels and stages are encouraged to take advantage of this FREE service! Visit the [WRC webpage](#) to make an appointment. Be sure to select a “Graduate Consultation.”

• **Can’t find a book you need at the W&M Libraries?** Is there a book or film W&M Libraries should own, but doesn't? Please let us know about new books or films you think we should be purchasing! You can email Martha Higgins, [mehiggins@wm.edu](mailto:mehiggins@wm.edu) or you can use the [make a suggestion](#) form. Please let us know if you would prefer the book as an ebook or in print format

• **Student Portfolios: Highlight your accomplishments on the OGSR website.** The Graduate Studies website houses portfolios of current students. We’d like
to highlight your achievements and the high quality of your work! Please use this form to send us your major accomplishments, or email them to asgradportfolio@wm.edu. For examples or more information, visit the submissions page.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Crowdfunding at W&M.** We are excited to announce the launch of Tribefunding, William & Mary’s approach to crowdfunding. Qualifying projects should have the potential to transform William & Mary and have broader impact on local and/or global communities. Preference will be given to projects that incorporate collaboration between students and faculty/staff. To submit a project or for more information, visit giving.wm.edu/crowdfunding

- **JSA Accepting Applications for Sabbatical and Research Leave Support at the Jefferson Lab.** Application materials are due by March 31, 2017. More

- The Army Research Laboratory (ARL) invites exceptional young researchers to apply for the **ARL Distinguished Postdoctoral Fellowship.** This fellowship provides recipients the opportunity to pursue independent research while working alongside some of the nation’s best scientists and engineers. Applicants must display extraordinary ability in scientific research and show clear promise of becoming outstanding leaders. Successful candidates will have tackled a major scientific or engineering problem or will have provided a new approach or insight, as evidenced by a recognized impact in their field. NOTE: February 1, 2017 – Application opens May 1, 2017 – Application deadline. For more information: 202-334-3560 or ARLDPF@nas.edu

- **Summer School Intellectual Property** The University of Bonn would like to invite graduate and postgraduate students from your university to a Summer School on Intellectual Property in Bonn. The Summer School addresses graduate and postgraduate students from any field of study. It will take place from July 31 to August 11, 2017. The program is conducted in English.