**Funding Opportunities**

The 16th Annual Graduate Research Symposium is THIS Friday and Saturday, March 24-25, 2017 at the Sadler Center. The Research Symposium is free and open to the public. Complete schedule of events and program can be found on our website. This year $10,000 in awards for excellence will be presented at the Awards Luncheon on Saturday.

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 in Chesapeake C for our Professional Development Fair. Need help with a resume? Want to ace a job interview? Come to the GRS Professional Development Fair! Staff from the Cohen Career Center and W&M Faculty will be there to answer your questions. On-site career experts! Constructive advice and feedback! Bring your CV or resume!

**Poster Presentations and Networking Reception** is from 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm in Chesapeake AB.

**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.
- **April 14, 2017** Deadline for submission of FINAL thesis/dissertation for May 2017 degree conferral.

**W&M EVENTS**
• **Fall 2017 Registration** for Continuing Students starts TODAY Monday, March 20th 2017 8am through Friday, March 24th 2017 11:59pm.  More

• **Research Funding A&S Graduate Student Research Grants** – **deadline extended**! 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 31, 2017. This will cover expenses incurred: April 16, 2017 – August 31, 2017. More

• **OGSR/GSA Supplemental Conference Travel Funding** – **deadline extended**! 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 31, 2017. More

• **Mi Zhang**, Physics Dissertation will present Defense titled: *Study of Spatial Structure of Squeezed Vacuum Field* TODAY 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

• **Dachuan Liu**, Computer Science will present his Dissertation Defense, titled: *An Investigation of Power Saving and Privacy Protection on Smartphones* Tuesday, March 21st 2017 from 2:30pm - 4pm in the Wren Building, Room 301. More


• **The Keio/W&M Cross-Cultural Collaboration** is seeking 4 current W&M graduate students for summer Classroom Instructor positions. Classroom Instructors will be responsible for teaching and facilitating discussions in a fast paced cross-cultural program. Applications are due this Friday, March 24th, 2017. Applications and questions about the position can be directed to Nasha Lewis at nlewis@wm.edu. Please see more information for applying

• **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

• Hao Shi, Physics will present his Dissertation Defense titled: *Computational Studies of Strongly Correlated Quantum Matter* Monday, March 27th 2017 from 1:30pm - 4:30pm in the Swem Library, Ford Room. More

• **Georgian Papers Programme** Open House Monday, March 27th 2017 4:30pm - 6:30pm Swem Library, Botetourt Gallery. Light refreshments/beer and wine served. Please RSVP online by March 22. 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

• **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 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.