Hi reps,

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1. **Follow GSA on IG @ucdavisgsa and FB @UC Davis Graduate Student Association**

We're so glad that you are receiving the GSA Weekly Newsletter! You can also receive information on upcoming events through Instagram @ucdavisgsa and our Facebook UC Davis Graduate Student Association page. Please follow for updates!

2. **Call for Reps to Serve on Academic Senate Committees**

The GSA is looking for representatives to serve on a variety of Academic Senate committees. Each committee differs in frequency of meetings and type of work required. Please check out this [list of different committees](#) and openings in order to learn more (the document links to the
committees' individual websites). If you are interested in serving in a position or if you have any questions, reach out to Courtney Cahalan (cmpollard@ucdavis.edu).

3. Apply to serve on UC-Systemwide Committees!

4. Food Pantry closed week of 10/31-11/4 for construction

Please note that the GSA pantry will be closed the week of 10/31-11/4 for construction! In the meantime, you are always welcome to visit the ASUCD main pantry (in Memorial Union) which is open to the entire campus community of UCD affiliates.

Their fall 2022 hours are:
M, W, F 10:30a-4:00p
T, TH 9:30a-4:00p
Sat, Sun 12:00-2:00p

5. Getting to Know What Your Students Know: Simple Strategies to Assess Student Learning Monday Oct 31 2:10-3:00pm Teaching and Learning Complex Room 1213

Have you ever wondered if your students were really “getting it” or been shocked with low exam grades when you thought all was well? This interactive workshop offers practical techniques to assess your students’ learning throughout each class and throughout the quarter. Research shows that low-stakes formative assessments such as low-stakes quizzes and reflection activities enhance student performance on final exams and papers. Participants will learn strategies to effectively gauge student learning and provide effective and constructive feedback.

Monday October 31, 2022, 2:10-3:00 pm. Location: Teaching & Learning Complex, room 1213. Register

6. University of California President’s Postdoctoral Fellowship Program Deadline Tuesday November 1st

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

THE PROGRAM. The University of California President’s Postdoctoral Fellowship Program was established in 1984 to encourage outstanding women and minority Ph.D. recipients to pursue academic careers at the University of California. The current program offers postdoctoral research fellowships and faculty mentoring to outstanding scholars in all fields whose research, teaching, and service will contribute to the diversity and equal opportunity at the University of California. The contributions to diversity may include public service towards increasing equitable access in fields where women and minorities are underrepresented. In some fields, the contributions may include research focusing on underserved populations or understanding inequalities related to race, gender, disability or LGBT. The program is seeking applicants with the potential to bring to their academic and research careers the critical perspective that comes from their non-traditional educational background or understanding of the experiences of
members of groups historically underrepresented in higher education in the United States.

**AWARDS AND APPOINTMENTS.** Fellowships are awarded for research conducted at any one of the University of California’s ten campuses. The award includes a salary starting at approximately $55,632 depending on field and experience, benefits including health insurance and paid vacation/sick leave, and up to $5,000 for research-related and program travel expenses. Each award is for a minimum of 12-months and may be renewable for an additional term upon demonstration of academic/research productivity.

**ELIGIBILITY.** Applicants must receive a Ph.D. or terminal degree from an accredited university before the start of their fellowship. Successful applicants must present documents demonstrating that they are legally authorized to work in the United States. Individuals granted deferred action status under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program are encouraged to apply.

**APPLICATION.** Apply online at: [ppfp.ucop.edu](http://ppfp.ucop.edu)

**DEADLINE:** November 1, 2022

More information: visit online: [ppfp.ucop.edu/info/](http://ppfp.ucop.edu/info/) email: [ppfpinfo@berkeley.edu](mailto:ppfpinfo@berkeley.edu)

7. **GSA Halloween Costume Contest Deadline to Submit Midnight Tuesday Nov. 1**

Celebrate spooky season with GSA's Halloween costume contest! To enter, post a photo of your Halloween costume on your Instagram page with the hashtag #ucdgsahalloween before **midnight on November 1st** for the chance to win an **eGiftcard of up to $75**! Don't use Instagram?

Email a photo of your costume to [lghitt@ucdavis.edu](mailto:lghitt@ucdavis.edu) with the subject 'GSA Costume Contest' by the same deadline.

Winners will be contacted via Instagram or email after the contest concludes. Be sure to follow GSA on Instagram @UCDavisGSA

**Prizes**:  
1st place $75  
2nd place $50  
3rd place $25

* Choose between SafeWay, Target, and DoorDash eGiftcards.

8. **UCGPC Graduate Summit Register to Attend by Wednesday November 2nd**

Each year, UCGPC hosts an annual Graduate Summit. During Grad Summit, we take the pulse of the incoming and current graduate student body to determine priority areas and advocacy agendas for the upcoming years. We encourage UC graduate and professional students, stakeholders, and other experts to apply to present on issues they would like to see represented in
UCGPC's advocacy agenda. We also invite all UC graduate and professional students to attend and provide input and feedback on our priorities.

Our tentative program can be found here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Be0Cz3JHehXZDyhjLg4Nfb4b3lM_Sx5H52-SaMcAnOw/edit

The deadline for participants to register is November 2nd. They can register here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScosiqSiuxtHQLtppz2ahbHg-JXw7-FRpM_tBqVoucgTyC4QMA/viewform

You can find more information about the Graduate Summit on this website: https://www.ucgpc.org/gradsummit

9. California Community Colleges (CCC) Registry - Faculty Panel Wednesday Nov. 2 1:00-3:00pm South Hall, Room 114

Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm, Location: South Hall, Room 114, Register Now!

Are you thinking about teaching at a California Community College? Come to the California Community Colleges (CCC) Registry - Faculty Panel to learn about the application and hiring process for the largest system of higher education in the country! You will also hear about instructional and administrative opportunities from both the CCC Registry Director and current faculty.

The CCC Registry is the State Chancellor’s job board for faculty, management and staff opportunities at all 73 districts and 116 colleges across California. The CCC’s are the largest higher education employer in the world with over 60,000 faculty, administrators and staff across the state.

This panel will be led by CCC Registry Director Beth Au, registry@yosemite.edu.

Panelists:
Beth Au: California Community Colleges Registry Director; Mark Edward Osea: Articulation Officer | Transfer Counselor; Jane Skaife: Part-time Faculty Lecturer Sociology; Emine Gunhan: Biological Sciences Instructor; Adriel Cruz: Instructor, Biological Sciences

10. Innovator Fellowship Info Session Wednesday Nov. 2 12:10-1pm Zoom Deadline Nov. 11

Winning fellows spend 6 months immersing with host venture capital firms. Funding up to $50K provided for salary, tuition, travel, professional development and research expenses. Work with your innovation partners in an immersive food and health investment environment, gaining real world business and entrepreneurial skills while evaluating food and health startups. January-June 2023 (dates flexible)

Info Session: Wednesday Nov. 2, 12:10-1:00pm, Zoom. Register here.
Engaging with venture capital hosts provides you with:

- Business mentorship
- Due diligence insights
- Practical, real-world professional and entrepreneurial experience
- Behind the scenes look into successful market entry and de-risking research for commercialization

Innovator Fellowship benefits:

- Quarterly opportunities
- Max $50k in funding over 6 months
- Learn real-world professional skills across investment, technology, research and commercialization
- Gain access to key network of international industry, academic and investment partners

Eligibility

All UC Davis post-doctoral fellows or PhD students in their last 2 years of study are invited to apply. Multiple and repeat applications are welcome to all opportunities.

Innovator Fellowship | Cohort 13 | The March Group + TechAccel

Two Innovator Fellows will be selected to join the next cohort and work with these innovative venture capital groups. We invite you to apply to one or both opportunities.

The March Group

“March” is a VC fund platform committed to supporting and investing in entrepreneurs and companies developing and bringing exponential technologies to food, health and sustainability. March’s investment strategy involves becoming recognized as the leading investor in critical and transformative technology solutions, and aims to achieve this by investing into companies and funds that focus on developing core intellectual property around game-changing sustainable solutions that are aligned with globally relevant sustainability trends and benefits. With over a decade of experience as a team, our General Partners have a proven track record of investments and operations.

Candidates with coursework or experience related to one or more of the following areas (or similar) are strongly desired: synthetic biology, data science, artificial intelligence, clean energy, microbiome & gut health, carbon capture, any sustainability-related area of study.

TechAccel
TechAccel was founded in 2014 as a first-of-its-kind technology and venture development organization in the agriculture, animal health & nutrition, and food technology sectors. TechAccel sources, invests in and acquires early-stage innovations. Through collaborations with dozens of universities and research institutions, TechAccel conducts science advancement and de-risking research and development to ready technologies for commercialization. TechAccel also makes equity investments in start-up companies where an adjacent business opportunity exists. TechAccel is based in Kansas City and has offices in St. Louis at Bio Research & Development Growth (BRDG).

Candidates with coursework or experience related to one or more of the following areas (or similar) are strongly desired: veterinary medicine, animal health or nutrition, with specific knowledge of companion animals and/or production animals (poultry, livestock, aquaculture). Areas of expertise may include, but are not limited to, infectious disease, vaccines, diagnostics, pain, inflammation, cancer, nutrition, and artificial intelligence/robotics and precision animal management.

Applications due Friday, November 11, 2022 Learn more and Apply!

Fellowship questions? Our team is here to help! Send any questions regarding the Innovator Fellowship to innovatorfellowship@ucdavis.edu. Info Session: Wednesday November 2, 12:10-1 pm, Zoom; Register Here

11. Black Panther Movie Night Nov. 3 6:00pm North Lawn Walker Hall

Movie: Black Panther
Date: Thursday, November 3, 2022
Time: 6PM
Location: North Lawn of Walker Hall.

Announcement "Graduate Students & Postdocs, please join Graduate Studies for an evening screening of Black Panther on Thursday, November 3rd. Light snacks will be provided. Please be sure to dress warm for this event and bring your own blankets and/or lawn chairs for seating. No registration required and children are welcomed at this event."

12. Coffee, Bagel, Donut Day Fridays 8:30-10:30 Walker Hall

Please join GSA on Friday mornings this quarter from 8:30-10:30 in Walker Hall for Coffee, Bagel, Donut Day! We hope to see you there!

Vegan and gluten free options will be available.

13. Graduate Student Career Development Assistance Award Deadline Nov. 14

The UC Davis Internship and Career Center is offering a $1,000 award for summer internships. The award is available to current UC Davis graduate students who completed an unpaid internship in support of their career development goals between June 2022 and September 2022.
14. DEIJ Initiative Grant Deadline Nov. 17

Are you a graduate student in the College of Biological Sciences who facilitates Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice (DEIJ) initiatives or events? Are you looking for funds to support programmatic expenses? We invite you to apply for the CBS DEIJ Initiative Grant which aims to support the longevity and impact of DEIJ initiatives through financial assistance.

More information about the grant including eligibility, selection criteria, and the application process can be found here. Applications will be reviewed twice per quarter.

15. Graduate DEIJ Leader Fellowship Deadline Dec. 9

Are you a graduate student in the College of Biological Sciences committed to enhancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice (DEIJ) in your community? Would you like to be paid for your efforts serving in a DEIJ leadership role in your graduate group this year? Join the inaugural cohort of the CBS Graduate DEIJ Fellowship to connect with other graduate student DEIJ leaders, promote DEIJ in CBS, and earn a $1000 stipend!

More information about the fellowship including eligibility, selection criteria, and the application process can be found here. Applications must be submitted by December 9th, 2022 at 11:59 pm to be considered for the fellowship.

16. Food Truck Focus Group

The Aggie Compass Basic Needs Center and Student Affairs Marketing and Communication are hosting student focus groups (via Zoom) to get input on a new food truck program at UC Davis. The aim for this program is to provide students with a free hot meal every day of the week. The food truck hopes to be based in communities with the highest need, meeting students where they're at and reducing the stigma often felt by students accessing resources.

This focus group will include a 50-minute discussion on Zoom to gather insights on stigma related to food access, unique needs for our target student population and overall ideas for promotion.

Each participant will receive a $10 gift card to either the CoHo or the UC Davis Bookstore as an incentive for participating. Please fill out this form if you are interested in attending one of the focus groups.

17. Join the Graduate Student Action Network

The Graduate Student Action Network is a growing network of graduate students at over 50 schools in 30 states, started in June 2022 in response to the U.S. Supreme Court ruling in Dobbs v. Jackson. Members include grad student government and union representatives, officers of campus advocacy groups and clubs, and other students passionate about defending their peers' rights. GSAN’s goal is to empower students to make and demand change for reproductive
justice, LGTBQIA+ rights, wages and healthcare, anti-racism, climate justice and sustainability, anti-Imperialism and Indigenous struggles, and more, through student organization and mobilization. GSAN collaborates with partners including the Young Democratic Socialists of America (YDSA) and chapter leaders of nationwide med student and law student advocacy groups. Any U.S.-based student is welcome to join GSAN using the link here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdApNJot2tMtgHk1Xr7HXL5FKhacPcfCzb5-6hYgKUS9DA4A/viewform

Those who would like to be more active can now join a working group! If you have 2 hours per week that you would like to spend on activism, please sign up to join a working group: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfzxpZl6R495tROHL1SpQd8uRvRYMcPc94n7W Wa0GnyD03xfTg/viewform

18. Sign Opportunity for All’s Letter to UC President Drake

The University of California has the chance to take a critical step to make clear that all UC students can access the educational opportunities the university has to offer, including employment opportunities within educational programs and elsewhere at the university. Working with immigration law experts at the UCLA School of Law’s Center for Immigration Law & Policy (CILP), undocumented student organizers have identified that states and certain state entities are not bound by IRCA’s hiring restrictions and can legally employ undocumented workers. As their analysis shows, because the University of California is an arm of the state, it faces no legal restriction on hiring undocumented workers. This reading of the 1986 law has now been endorsed by [twelve] of the most knowledgeable immigration law professors in the country.

Sign Opportunity for All’s letter here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScV5KivootROrPSED8Ak6EwK03AAUID15FOQqUsGB5JpbcJg/viewform

You can find their digital toolkit and further steps you can take here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qpJeU8kqobuDrVK7yybv19oZJqjL82BsiizMzoZRLTo/edit

19. Student Advocate to the Regents (StAR) Applications for November now open!

Student Advocates to the Regents (StARs) are funded to travel to the Regents meetings to provide public comment on pressing student issues. StARs are allowed 'backstage' privileges to speak with the Regents informally and engage in student advocacy. The next Board of Regents meeting is Nov. 15-17 online and at UC San Francisco. If interested, please complete and submit the following application. This is an opportunity for Graduate and Professional UC students. If you are not selected for this board meeting, we may consider your application for future opportunities (please let us know in the application if you would be interested in attending other upcoming board meetings). You can find the application here.

20. Join the Writing Partner Program!
All graduate students and postdoctoral scholars at UC Davis are invited to join the **Writing Partner Program**. The program connects you with fellow graduate and postdoctoral student writers to provide support, feedback, and accountability. Being part of a writing group provides space for structured peer review so that group members can learn about different styles of writing, genre conventions, and more. The accountability required to work in a group facilitates writing progress and development rather than procrastination!

For more information about the program, you can visit: [https://writing.ucdavis.edu/wac/resources/writing-partner-program](https://writing.ucdavis.edu/wac/resources/writing-partner-program).

To sign up for the program, please fill out a brief survey via the following link: [https://ucdavis.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cNpA38n0btnFTGR](https://ucdavis.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cNpA38n0btnFTGR).

When you fill out a sign up form, you will have access to the program's Canvas page with writing resources. You will be contacted as soon as a successful writing partner or group match has been made. Matches will be made on a rolling basis.

**21. Writing Consultations for Graduate Students & Postdocs**

Stuck on a chapter of your dissertation? Working on a fellowship application but can't seem to find the right narrative? Feeling discouraged because of writer's block? Schedule a writing consultation with one of our Graduate Writing Fellows! Fellows offer one-on-one 40-minute writing consultations with enrolled grad students and postdocs. Consultations offer you the opportunity to engage in a conversation about your writing at any stage of the writing process in a low-stakes, low-stress environment with a peer. While we are not a proofreading or editing service, we are happy to identify patterns of error in writing and help you learn about resources to improve grammar. [Sign up for a consultation here!](https://writing.ucdavis.edu/wac/resources/writing-partner-program)

**22. Grad Student Loan Debt Survey**

NAGPS are still collecting anonymous survey data to find out more about how our members are specifically impacted by the recent forgiveness programs and loan management restructuring. The survey can be accessed [here](https://writing.ucdavis.edu/wac/resources/writing-partner-program) and everyone is encouraged to fill it out and share it with any graduate students or recent graduates!

**23. Graduate Research Survey: Student or Adult? Identity Distress in Emerging Adulthood Across Academic and Community Settings**

Julia Passini, a Doctoral Candidate in Lifespan Development Psychology from North Carolina State University, is recruiting participants for her dissertation: “Student or Adult? Identity Distress in Emerging Adulthood Across Academic and Community Settings.” It is an examination of identity development and the dimensions of emerging adulthood in both graduate students and those of a similar age range who did not pursue graduate school. It is an online survey and will not take more than 20 minutes of time. If you participate, you will be asked to enter your email address to be entered in a drawing for one of four $50 Amazon gift cards.
Here is the link to the study: https://ncsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6tZw6EaWhuHzGXs

Please let the Julia know if you have any questions by emailing jksorens@ncsu.edu