WELCOME TO UC DAVIS

On behalf of the staff, faculty and administrators, we are pleased to welcome you as a graduate student at UC Davis. Our campus seeks to foster a respectful, supportive and encouraging environment for graduate study. You, like your peers, are highly qualified and come to Davis with your own unique experiences. This mix of cultures and ideas makes Davis a vital and exciting place to live, work and study.

During this two-day orientation to our campus and to Davis, you will be given a great deal of information. Please remember to draw on the many resources available to you as you pursue your graduate degree.

We are excited to have you join our community.

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Graduate Student Orientation
Planning Committee
Monday September 12, 2016

Welcome to UC Davis and Introduction to Graduate Studies
*Time:* 10:00am—11:50am  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Graduate Studies Staff

Graduate Studies staff will introduce UC Davis and Graduate Studies, including common terminology, important grad school milestones, and staff resources.

Bike Safety at UC Davis
*Time:* 12:10pm-1:00pm  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* UC Davis Police

Join officers of the UC Davis Police Department for a meet and greet and for a quick introduction to bike safety at UC Davis. Learn about the resources available including the Safe Rides Program.

Off and Running: How to Get a Head Start on Your Graduate Career
*Time:* 1:10pm—2:00pm  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Teresa Dillinger, Manager, Professional Development Programs, Graduate Studies

Join us as we explore ways to connect your graduate school experience with your future career goals, make the most of opportunities at UC Davis, and build your career while still in graduate school. You will also learn how to exercise proven strategies to enhance your marketability for future careers both within academia and beyond.

Peter J Shields Library Tours
*Time:* 2:10pm-3:00pm  
*Location:* Peter J Shields Library  
*Presented By:* Shields Library Staff

Shields Library Staff will be hosting tours of the main library, including physical space and resources.

Welcome to UC Davis Reception and Resource Fair
*Time:* 4:30pm-7:00pm  
*Location:* West Quad (Memorial Union)  
*Presented By:* Graduate Studies and Graduate Student Association

Welcome to UC Davis! At the Welcome Reception and Resource Fair on the Quad, come join us for food, activities, and information tables on graduate student resources. Meet fellow incoming students and campus leaders. Libations* and food will be served.

*Please bring an official ID (government ID, driver's license, or passport) that shows your birth date if you would like a drink. We will be serving non-alcoholic beverages as well.
Tuesday September 13, 2016

Campus Bicycle Tour
Time: 8:00am-8:50am
Location: Meet at Rock Hall
Presented By: Timothy Bustos, Bicycle Program Coordinator TAPS

Join us for an hour tour of UC Davis by bicycle! Be ready to participate by bringing a bike, helmet, and water.

Resources for Student Parents including Child Care Funding and Lactation Support
Time: 9:00am-9:50am
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Sandy Batchelor, WorkLife and Wellness

We will present an overview of services for Student Parents including all child care funding (including the Graduate Student Child Care Grant), the Breastfeeding Support Program, and the Student Parent Resource Page.

Navigating University Funding and Graduate Student Financial Aid Services
Time: 10:00am—11:50am
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Steven Albrecht, Director of Student Financial Support, Graduate Studies

Graduate school can be an expensive endeavor, but the funding experts in Graduate Studies and the Financial Aid Office can help make it easier! Hear about the incredible number of funding opportunities available to students from a wide range of sources. Meet and ask questions that will prove invaluable during your tenure as a graduate student. (This session is intended for US Citizens and Permanent Residents, if you are a Nonresident Alien student, please attend the “Funding for International Students” session scheduled for September 9 during IGSO.)

Diversity 101 for Humanities, Arts, Cultural Studies, and Social Sciences
Time: 1:10pm-2:00pm (Concurrent Session)
Location: Bainer 1130
Presented By: Josephine Moreno, Diversity Officer for Humanities, Arts, Education, and Social Sciences, Graduate Studies

This session will provide an introduction to the many diversity issues for graduate students. We will address case studies with group discussions, demographic data for student populations, and current scholarship that relate to diversity in higher education.

Diversity 101 for Sciences, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)
Time: 1:10pm-2:00pm (Concurrent Session)
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Steve Lee, Diversity Officer for Science Technology, Engineering, and Math, Graduate Studies

This session will provide an introduction to the many diversity issues for graduate students. We will address case studies with group discussions, demographic data for student populations, and current scholarship that relate to diversity in higher education.

Mentorship 101 for Humanities, Arts, Cultural Studies, and Social Sciences
Time: 2:10pm-4:00pm (Concurrent Session)
Location: Bainer 1130
Presented By: Josephine Moreno, Diversity Officer for Humanities, Arts, Education, and Social Sciences, Graduate Studies

This session will provide an introduction to making the most out of your relationship with your faculty research mentor. We will address how to select and how to start off well with your research mentor, and discuss a case study on
dealing with difficult issues in mentoring relationships.

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Chancellor’s Graduate and Professional Student Advisory Board (CGPSA)
Time: 4:10pm-5:00pm
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: CGPSA Board Members

Come join members of the Chancellor's Graduate and Professional Student Advisory Board for a discussion on current graduate student issues and how the advisory board fits into graduate student advocacy and leadership at UC Davis.

How to be an Active Bystander
Time: 5:10pm-6:30pm
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Rodger Freeman, Violence Prevention Educator, Center for Advocacy, Resources, and Education (CARE)

Learn how to identify situations of other students at risk and how you can intervene with a variety of safe techniques. Discover what you can do to help create a safer campus community by becoming and active bystander.

Wednesday September 14, 2016

Student Support and Judicial Affairs - Addressing Academic Integrity and Dealing with Distressed/Distressing Students
Time: 9:00am-9:50am
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Dr. Jennifer Chow, Case Manager, Sheila Harrington, Judicial Officer, Marilyn Derby, Judicial Officer

Because graduate students are often in a position to observe students in the classroom, lab, or research group, you are likely to play a central role in teaching undergrads about academic integrity and helping peers who may be in distress. In this workshop, staff from Student Support and Judicial Affairs will discuss how to handle academic misconduct and the network of assistance available to students experiencing difficulties.

The Office of the University Registrar- New Student Welcome
Time: 10:00am-11:50am
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Kylie Podsakoff, Assistant Registrar & Business Analyst and Dora Lopez-Bonneau, Lead Residence Deputy

Provides an overview of new student information as it relates to the Office of the University Registrar to include how to establish residence for tuition purposes and class registration.

Holistic Strategies for Managing Personal & Professional Success in Graduate School
Time: 12:10pm-1:00pm
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Bai-Yin Chen, Ph.D., Staff Psychologist

Most graduate students come to graduate school ready to work hard and focus on academics. However, it can become difficult to maintain peak focus and energy levels. Finding ways to support yourself can help maintain your balance and quality of life so that you can be successful both professionally and personally. In this workshop, staff from Student Health and Counseling Services will talk about how to utilize support, overcome stigma in seeking support, and provide ideas to maintain care for your mental health and effectiveness in graduate school.

Know Your Resources: An Introduction to Campus Units and Services for Graduate Students
Time: 1:10pm-3:00pm
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Graduate Ally Coalition (GAC)

The Graduate Ally Coalition will present an info session on the main resources around campus available to graduate students, including academic, professional development, personal, diversity issues, underrepresented groups, and other resources. The session will also include time for questions and answers with the graduate student presenters.

Data Management Program
Time: 3:10pm-4:00pm
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Vessela Ensberg, Associate Director for Data Management Program, Shields Library

Whether you will be doing experimental or computational research or conducting critical studies, you will need to manage the materials you use. It is also very likely that the agency that will fund your project will have requirements for data sharing. This presentation will cover best practices and resources to help you navigate research successfully.

Graduate Student Association - Your Graduate Student Government
Time: 4:10pm-5:00pm
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Graduate Student Association Executive Council

Join the elected officers of the Graduate Student Association for a discussion on how the graduate student government works at UC Davis and how you can get involved in the many opportunities to advocate for graduate students.

Sexual Violence Prevention and Intervention Training (SVPT)
Time: 5:10pm-6:30pm
Location: Rock Hall
Presented By: Rodger Freeman, Violence Prevention Educator, Center for Advocacy, Resources, and Education (CARE)

UC Davis is part of a national effort to provide education, prevention, and response to the issues of sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and stalking. Addressing these issues is a part of the University’s commitment to providing students with a healthy and safe learning environment. As part of this effort, all new UCD graduate and professional students are required to receive sexual violence prevention and intervention training (SVPT) and education by the sixth week of their first Quarter or Semester. The 90-minute SVPT presentation will include the following topics: definitions of sexual assault, sexual harassment, dating and domestic violence, stalking, and consent; social norms which contribute to violence; bystander intervention; confidential campus and community resources; and reporting options. Students who do not attend an SVPT session prior to the sixth week of the Fall Quarter will be unable to register for Winter Quarter classes until they complete the requirement.
Thursday September 15, 2016

**Campus Bicycle Tour**  
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*Location:* Meet at Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Timothy Bustos, Bicycle Program Coordinator TAPS

Join us for an hour tour of UC Davis by bicycle! Be ready to participate by bringing a bike, helmet, and water.

**Q&A with Continuing Graduate Students**  
*Time:* 9:00am-9:50am  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Graduate Studies

Hear from current students who are GSRs, TAs, Readers, and Fellows about their experiences at UC Davis. Be prepared to ask questions!

**Graduate Student Health Insurance**  
*Time:* 10:00am-11:50am  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Todd Atwood, Insurance Services Supervisor, Student Health and Counseling Services

An overview on how to get medical care and accessing health services on campus while studying at UC Davis will be discussed.

**Get Connected, Get Started, Get Out There: Career Resources for Graduate Students at UC Davis**  
*Time:* 1:10pm-2:00pm  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Internship and Career Center (ICC) Staff

This session will cover the many and varied resources available to graduate students when planning and preparing for a successful career. We will review how to make an appointment with a career adviser; use of the online job search tool (Aggie Job Link) for on and off campus employment; connecting on LinkedIn; and where to learn about the many upcoming workshops, career fairs and networking events scheduled for 2016-17.

**Graduate Student Retention and Services with GAAAP**  
*Time:* 2:10pm-3:00pm  
*Location:* Student Recruitment and Retention Center Lounge @ The Student Community Center  
*Presented By:* Student Recruitment and Retention Center (SRRC) Staff

The Graduate Academic Achievement and Advocacy Program (GAAAP) is the first UC-based, student-initiated, student-run recruitment and retention program for graduate students. GAAAP is dedicated to empowering and retaining historically underrepresented graduate and professional students through community building events and academic events such as writing workshops, mixers and retreats. Please come and join us as we provide an overview of our programming for the school year, discuss essential resources available for underrepresented students, and for the opportunity to make your own wellness package filled with supplies for academic success and self-care!

**Graduate Student Ice Cream Social**  
*Time:* 3:10pm-4:00pm  
*Location:* Women’s Resources and Research Center (WRRC) @ North Hall  
*Presented By:* Leilani Kupo, WRRC Director & Mayra Sánchez, WRRC Student Outreach Coordinator

The Women’s Resources and Research Center (WRRC) annually hosts this popular (and yummy) event that includes ice cream and all the fixings. Students get to meet their staff and
become familiar with their services and resources. Pretty sweet!

**Building Community Dinner**
*Time:* 4:30pm-7:00pm  
*Location:* International House (10 College Drive, Davis, CA)  
*Presented By:* Graduate Ally Coalition

Interested in improving campus life? Social justice or peer mentoring programs? Just want more information about these topics and connections with other students? Join the Graduate Ally Coalition and many other graduate student organizations for this informal dinner and discussion.

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**Friday September 16, 2016**

**Community Health and Resources Info Session**
*Time:* 8:00am-8:50am  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Bai-Yin Chen, Ph.D., Staff Psychologist

Learn about the resources available within the Davis community to support you and other graduate students. Resources are available to ensure that the UC Davis community has access to the basic necessities. Learn about the UC Davis food pantry, Fruit & Veggie Up, and other resources.

**Coffee, Bagel, Donut Day: Welcome to UC Davis!**
*Time:* 8:30am-10:50am  
*Location:* GSA Offices @ 2nd Floor South Silo  
*Presented By:* Graduate Student Association

Join the GSA in the kick off Coffee, Bagel, Donut Day (CBDD) of the quarter! Every Friday, the GSA hosts CBDD for grad students as a way to relax and mingle. Come by and enjoy free coffee, and a bagel or donut.

**Guide to Getting Around Davis**
*Time:* 11:00am-11:50am  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Leslie Mancebo, Transportation and Parking Services (TAPS)

An overview of transportation resources available at UC Davis, including discounted transit passes, free bicycle education and other services.

**Bike Safety at UC Davis**
*Time:* 1:10pm-2:00pm  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* UC Davis Police

Join officers of the UC Davis Police Department for a meet and greet and for a quick introduction to bike safety at UC Davis. Learn about the resources available including the Safe Rides Program. Come get free bike lights and other prizes!

**Library Resources for the Sciences (STEM)**
*Time:* 2:10pm-3:00pm  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Cory Craig, Librarian, Physical Sciences and Engineering Library

Find out why Google isn’t enough and start building your library toolkit now. This session will cover the tools and resources you will need as a UC Davis graduate student in the sciences. These include: citation management software, measures of research impact and productivity, and author identification tools. Meet the librarian assigned to your program and get an overview of all the basics: getting books and
articles, off-campus access, library cards, and where to find specialized resources in your area.

Library Resources for Humanities & Social Sciences (HArCS/SS)

*Time:* 3:10pm-4:00pm  
*Location:* Rock Hall  
*Presented By:* Dan Goldstein, Librarian, Peter J. Shields Library

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Orientation Closing Social

*Time:* 4:30pm-6:30pm  
*Location:* The Davis Graduate (805 Russell Blvd, Davis, CA)  
*Presented By:* Graduate Studies

End orientation with a relaxing evening at the Davis Graduate. Socialize and network over appetizers and drinks. Appetizers will be provided. No-host bar.
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