January 23, 2017 GAC Highlights

At-a-glance deadlines and events:

- Event: January 31, PFFP Orientation
- **Deadline: February 1**, GU2IUPUI applications
- **Deadline: February 2**, University Graduate School Adam W. Herbert Graduate Fellowship nominations
- Event: February 6, Rev Up Your Writing workshop. Registration required.
- Event: February 9 Fulbright workshop
- Event: February 9, PFFP Service Learning Seminar
- **Deadline: February 16** at 5:00 p.m. Fellowship nominations for the following:
  - University Fellowship nominations
  - President’s Graduate Diversity Fellowship
  - IUPUI Graduate Diversity Fellowship for Purdue PhD programs
- Event: March 6, Trailblazers and Innovators

**Associate Dean’s Report**

The following are the links related to the topic on loan forgiveness that Dean Wimbush discussed at our GAC meeting.


The Elite 50 will take place on Wednesday, April 11 at 6 p.m. The Elite 50 celebrates graduate and professional student achievements in scholarship and service beyond the classroom. Tickets and table sponsorship will open in March. To learn more, visit [http://go.iu.edu/1PJl](http://go.iu.edu/1PJl)

**Assistant Dean’s Report**

**Recruitment:**

We are planning to attend University of Cincinnati Grad fair March 2 and the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) conference, Pittsburgh, PA March 21-24.

**Getting you into IUPUI (GU2IUPUI)** will be held April 4-7 this year. Focus on this multi-day event is on underrepresented students with a research interest who are in their junior year. Applications are now open. Initial deadline was extended to February 1. We have about 20 slots that we can fill.

**Faculty Exchanges:**

We have funds allocated for faculty exchanges. This would involve a faculty member traveling with me to a minority serving institution to perhaps give a talk and meet with their faculty maybe a current or potential collaborator. Contact me at tamhardy@iupui.edu for details.
Writing Group

Spring writing group will meet every Thursday from 4-6 p.m. in the Graduate Office through the 1st week of May. This group provides students with space and time to write weekly. Please encourage students to utilize this resource. (See attachment)

UPnGO

UPnGO is featured in the spring edition of Embrace magazine and will hold their spring call out meeting February 15th.

Trailblazers and Innovators

Keivan Stassun from Vanderbilt University will be visiting our campus March 6th. He will be giving a public talk “We were made of and for the Stars” from 12-1:30 p.m. and will have a faculty workshop on “Strategies for mentoring underrepresented graduate students” from 2-3 p.m. in the campus center CE450C. (See attachment)

Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals

We are always accepting applications for our Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals program. Students can apply at any time through our website.

Spring 2018 orientation will take place January 31 from 12 – 1 p.m. in UL 1126. (See attachment)

PFFP Service-Learning Seminar will be presented by Dr. Mary Price, Director of Faculty Development, IUPUI Center for Service & Learning. This seminar will be on February 9 from 12 – 1:30 p.m. in UL 1170. (See attachment)

Graduate Office Report

Jean Cleary Act – Travel Report Clarification

Federal compliance is required. The goal is to collect all crime statistics for any domestic travel for more than one night OR repeated use of the same location (e.g. IU considered in “control” of the space used by students) In terms of student travel, generally this is the lodging location for the students when IU funds used to support the travel. If there is mixed funding, err on the side of caution and report it!

If you invite prospective students onto campus and pay for travel and hotel, this is reportable.

IU Public Safety sends out emails quarterly (January, April, July, October) to Deans / Directors / Department Chairs requesting student travel information. The next email will be sent the end of January.

If your unit support a lot of student travel, use an Excel spreadsheet. You can work directly with Lt. Heather Braun on how best to set up the Excel spreadsheet and how to submit it (hbraun@iupui.edu)

For more information and to report travel visit https://protect.iu.edu/police-safety/clery/clery-non-campus.html, or contact Rick Erny, Indiana University Public Safety and Institutional Assurance, 317-274-4230, rcerny@iu.edu
MyStudent Body Spring New Admits

The default deadline for Graduate Students are: Part 1: March 30, Part 2: April 30. Programs are welcome to establish and communicate deadlines specific to their academic unit. More information can be found in Knowledge Base: https://kb.iu.edu/d/avui. If you have questions or concerns regarding implementation, email aodiupui@iupui.edu.

Graduate Office Sponsored Events

Run. Hide. Fight will be January 24 at 10 a.m. in the Lilly Auditorium.

Please share the Rev Up Your Writing flyer (see attached) with your students! Last Fall this event was well attended, and we received great feedback. It will be held Tuesday, February 6 from 9 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. in University Library, Room 1126.

There will be a Fulbright workshop on Friday, February 9, from Noon - 1 p.m. in University Library, Room 1116. A light lunch will be served.

Committee Reports

Fellowship

The committee will be meeting Friday, January 26 at 3 p.m. where we will be reviewing Block Grants and the Sherry F. Queener submissions.

A call for nominations was sent Jan. 4 for the following fellowships. The deadline is February 16th at 5 p.m.:

- University Fellowship nominations
- President’s Graduate Diversity Fellowship
- IUPUI Graduate Diversity Fellowship for Purdue PhD programs

Also, a call for nominations was sent out by the Bloomington office for the University Graduate School Adam W. Herbert Graduate Fellowship. The award deadline is February 2, 2018.

Graduate Recruitment Council

We’re hosting a Getting into Graduate School Information Session on Thursday (Jan. 25th) from 4-5 p.m. in UL 1126. Registration is required. We share contact information with program representatives after the session if participants have provided us with their program of interest.

The next Graduate Recruitment Council meeting is Thursday, February 15 at 2:30 p.m. in UL 1126. Anyone with recruiting responsibilities is welcome!

The next workshop for prospective students is Accelerate Acceptance: The Secrets of Graduate School Admissions Speed Sessions, which will be held from 4-6 p.m. on April 5th. Topics include letters of recommendation, personal statements, GRE test preparation, the application process & timeline, funding graduate school, and the differences between undergrad and grad school. Registration is required: https://www.indiana.edu/~forms/mcnair_forms/machform/view.php?id=70360

Save the Date! The annual Recruiter’s Workshop will be held Thursday, June 7th. To be added to the invitation list, email Jennifer at mahoney2@iupui.edu.
The following are attachments to the January 23, 2018 Highlights:

Spring 2018 Writing Group
Trailblazers and Innovators
PFFP Spring 2018 Orientation
PFFP Service Learning Seminar
Rev Up Your Writing
The Graduate Student Writing Group allows for students to set aside a specific time to work on their various writing projects such as term papers, theses, dissertations, grants, and publications. We also provide students with opportunities for goal setting and accountability. By setting aside two hours during the week to write, receive feedback, and participate in skill building activities with peers, the writing group can help relieve some of the stress of graduate school, while pursuing greatness!

Apply here: http:/go.iu.edu/1PLR
The Graduate Mentoring Center

2018 Trailblazers and Innovators Scholar

Keivan Guadalupe Stassun, Ph.D.

Stevenson Professor, Dept. of Physics & Astronomy at Vanderbilt University, Adjunct Professor of Physics, Dept. of Physics at Fisk University, Nashville, TN.

Dr. Stassun is a Mexican-American Astronomer who serves as the Stevenson Endowed Professor in the Department of Physics & Astronomy and Senior Associate Dean for Graduate Education at Vanderbilt University. His research team is involved in the exciting search for planets around other stars, and recently published in the prestigious journal Nature the discovery of the hottest known exoplanet, so hot it is evaporating away. His team holds the Guinness World Record for the longest stellar eclipse ever recorded — it takes place once every 69 years. One of his PhD students has also published in the journal Nature the discovery of a phenomenon known as “flickering” by which a star’s size and age can be measured from “twinkling” of its light.

Monday, March 5: IUB

Venue:

10:00-11:30 AM: Faculty and Staff Workshop: “Evaluating Students Through More Enlightened Assessment”

11:45-1:00 PM: Lunch: “What It Really Means to Serve Underrepresented Students”

1:15-2:30 PM: Discussion with Students: Underrepresented Students and STEM Student Research

4:30-6:30 PM: Public Talk and Reception: “We Were Made of and for the Stars”

Tuesday, March 6: IUPUI

Venue: Campus Center, Room No. 450 C

12:00-1:30 PM: Luncheon and Public Talk: “We Were Made of and for the Stars”

2:00-3:00 PM: Faculty Workshop in collaboration with the IUPUI Mentoring Center: “Strategies For Mentoring Underrepresented Graduate Students”

R.S.V.P. http://go.iu.edu/1Spn
Learn about the Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals program and how to become a PFFP Scholar at the

**PFFP SPRING 2018 ORIENTATION**

Presented by: Dr. Tabitha Hardy  
Assistant Dean for Student Development and Academic Affairs  
Director Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals

Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals (PFFP) engages current IUPUI graduate students and postdoctoral fellows in a full range of career options, responsibilities, and mentoring in academic and non-academic careers through year round programming.

Learn about the benefits of participating in the Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals program. Hear from former scholars about their experience and find out how you can become a PFFP Scholar.

January 31, 2018  
12:00 PM to 1:00 PM  
University Library UL 1126  
RSVP: [http://go.iu.edu/1PLI](http://go.iu.edu/1PLI)  
Lunch will be provided.
Learn about Service-Learning as a Civic Pedagogy and High Impact Educational Practice at the

**PFFP SERVICE-LEARNING SEMINAR**

Presented by: Dr. Mary Price  
Director of Faculty Development  
IUPUI Center for Service & Learning

Service-learning is a teaching and learning practice, that when intentionally designed, has been proven to improve student learning in several key areas including:

- Collaboration and public problem solving skills  
- Respecting diverse perspectives  
- Critical thinking

This session provides a short orientation and resource materials on the basic principles of service-learning and offers practical steps on how you can integrate this teaching method into your educator’s toolkit.

**February 9, 2018**  
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM  
University Library UL 1170

**RSVP:** [http://go.iu.edu/1PLm](http://go.iu.edu/1PLm)  
Lunch will be provided.
Rev-Up Your Writing

IUPUI Graduate & Professional Students

Writing resources help build champions!
Sign up to learn more about what IUPUI offers from:

IUPUI Writing Center
IUPUI Graduate Office - University Graduate School
University Library
UITS - IUanyWare
Graduate Student panel

Tuesday, February 6
9 AM - 12:15 PM
University Library, UL 1126

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED; seating is limited so sign up soon!

graduate.iupui.edu/rsvp/rev-up-your-writing.shtml