We hope you had a happy holiday, a great new year, and welcome back for the Spring 2019 semester! Just a reminder that classes begin Wednesday, January 9. Additional important deadlines can be found on the Graduate School Calendars.

Professional Development Opportunities

Join us on January 7, in 130 Coates Hall, for a workshop that will help you get ready to teach the first day of class! It will cover what to do, not do, and general classroom management. We want you to be successful in teaching your spring classes, so we hope to see you there!

Moodle training: Basics and Beyond. If you’re using Moodle either as a GTA or
Lab assistant, there’s help for you in the form of three training workshops in January. These workshops are for beginners, but three refreshers courses will also be held. Please visit the training and event registration website to enroll. All will be held in Himes 133.

LSU Curriculum Camp is a graduate student conference that takes place on February 22-23, 2019. Curriculum Camp serves as an annual international conference for graduate students, organized and hosted by LSU students enrolled in the Curriculum Theory Project. More information here.

Contact: ctgsc.lsu@gmail.com (The Curriculum Theory Graduate Student Collaborative)

The first of the Spring CIRTL (Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching and Learning) events are now posted. These event are specifically designed for graduate students and Post-docs. The events include:

**Getting Ready To Teach in the American Classroom: Building Rapport and Effective Communication Skills**, February 6, 2019. [Register Here]

**Teaching with Technology**, February 28, 2019. [Register Here]

Information about other workshops, courses and events can be found at Spring 2019 Programming Preview

Subscribe to the CIRTL newsletter for updates!

Questions about the CIRTL programming? Contact us at info@cirtl.net.

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Events

The Office of Multicultural Affairs’ LGBTQ+ Project and Safe Space Campaign announces their General Training Sessions for the Spring 2019 semester! Due to increased interest we will be offering four general sessions next semester with two timeframe options:

- **Fri. January 18** – 10a to 2p in the AACC
- **Wed. February 20** – 12p to 4p in the Union Capital Chamber Room
- **Wed. March 20** – 10a to 2p in the AACC
- **Fri. Apr. 12** – 12p to 4p in the AACC

The goal of the Safe Space Campaign is to identify and educate individuals who will affirm and support all people regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity/expression. People displaying the Safe Space symbol are committed to combating hatred and discrimination through assistance and support. **The Safe Space Training is four hours long.** In the training you will learn some basic LGBTQ+ terminology and ways to make your language more inclusive, identify some of the privileges of straight non-transgender persons, discuss the coming out process, and go over some ways that you can be a better ally to LGBTQ+ students on your campus. Register at lsu.edu/lgbtqproject and
emaillgbtqproject@lsu.edu with any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Funding Opportunities**

The Graduate School will have openings for graduate assistants in various departments for the Spring Semester. These assistantships will be in the areas of admissions, academic services, customer service, and administration. For further details and to apply, please visit the Graduate School’s InfoReady portal.

The Graduate School is seeking applications for the **Prestigious Fellowship Enhancement Awards**. These awards will be granted to graduate student recipients of national or international fellowships from organizations outside of the LSU system in order to make these prestigious fellowships more competitive with graduate assistantships on campus. The program will also promote an entrepreneurial spirit among existing graduate students by encouraging them to apply for national or international fellowships outside of the LSU system. Students will apply directly to the Graduate School for these awards, which will primarily be used to fund educational costs not covered by the competitive fellowship.

Note: Students who have an assistantship, award, or fellowship through LSU do not qualify for this award. This is a supplemental award for independent national and international fellowships awarded directly to graduate students by the funding agency. This is not a stipend.

The Prestigious Fellowship Enhancement Awards will be in one of the following three categories:

1) tuition awards (up to $10,000 per year);
2) non-resident fee awards (up to $20,000 per year);
3) research support awards (up to $5,000 per year).

The actual amount of each award will be the remainder of charges after all other fellowships/awards are applied, up to the maximum amount listed above.

The Prestigious Fellowship Enhancement Awards are available for one year and may be renewable, contingent upon satisfactory progress towards the degree. The Award may not exceed four years of total funding.
Please go to the Graduate School’s InfoReady portal for further details and to apply.

The Data Incubator is an intensive 8 week fellowship that prepares masters students, PhDs, and postdocs in STEM and social science fields seeking industry careers as data scientists. The program is free for Fellows and supported by sponsorships from hundreds of employers across multiple industries. In response to the overwhelming interest in our earlier sessions, we will be holding another fellowship.

Who Should Apply: Anyone who has already obtained a masters or PhD degree or who is within one year of graduating with a masters or PhD is welcome to apply. Applications from international students are welcome. Everyone else is encouraged to sign-up for a future session.

Dates: All sections will be from 2019-04-01 to 2019-05-24.

Apply here!

We are assessing and interviewing candidates who apply for the Early Deadline first and then based on remaining availability, will take candidates who applied for the Regular Deadline on a first-come first-serve basis.

2019 U.S. Air Force Research Lab - Repperger Research Internship Program
Location: Dayton, OH & San Antonio, TX
Dates: June 3 - August 0, 2019
Application Deadline: January 21, 2019
Click here for information on Repperger.

*Please review the Project Catalog. With a single application, applicants can select their top five of 34 available research topics. Open to BS-PhD candidates. U.S. Citizenship is required.

Apply here!

Please send events of graduate-level interest to gradcom@lsu.edu by the preceding Thursday at 4:00pm. Submissions should relate to academic news and events only and be of broad general interest to faculty, staff, and graduate students. Publication of submissions is at the discretion of the editors and the Interim Dean of the Graduate School.