Hello CEE Graduate Students,

Please see the announcement for this week.

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Grant Opportunities

Zuhair A. Munir Award (Attached)

The guidelines and a timetable for the nomination and selection process are attached. Faculty should submit a single PDF document of the complete nomination packet to their graduate program chair no later than November 20, 2019, and graduate programs/groups should submit electronic nominations and the required documentation to Brady Oppenheim by December 15, 2019. The Awards Committee will be reviewing the nominations to make the final selection and announcement in spring.

EPA P3 Water Resource Grant Opportunity

Through this EPA program, teams of college students work together over the course of a year to develop innovative scientific projects or engineering designs to address pressing environmental issues. This year, UC Davis CEE graduate students are working on a proposal to develop a low-cost, innovative technological solution to mitigate and eliminate harmful algal blooms, an

emerging problem in water bodies across California. Grants up to $25,000 will be awarded for teams to research and develop a prototype, which will then be presented at a conference in Washington, DC in spring 2021.

We are currently looking for additional students to join the proposal team. If interested please email Micah Swann at mswann@ucdavis.edu
Application Deadline: November 19,2019
Program Description: EPA P3 Grant

Professional Development

UC Davis Grad Pathways Institute for Professional Development (Attached)
See the attached document for the upcoming events and webinars

Accountability for Thesis/Dissertation Writing Support Workshop
Thursday, November 21, 2019
10:00-11:00am | Memorial Union, Garrison Rm
Please Register: https://f19accountabilitywriting.eventbrite.com

Description - *For UC Davis Graduate Students Only*
Could You Use Some Extra Support with Your Dissertation or Thesis Writing Process?
This workshop provides a supportive space for graduate students to explore tools to overcome obstacles, such as goal setting, procrastination, social isolation, and time management. Please note that this workshop does not focus on the technical aspects of writing. The workshop is to help participants stay on track during their writing process.

California Community College Faculty Panel (Attached)
Interested in teaching at a California Community College?
Come and hear about the many opportunities available to you from experienced faculty and staff from the California Community College (CCC) Registry. **Food provided!**
2:30pm-4:30pm; |Monday | November 18
Student Community Center, Meeting Room D
RSVP on Handshake: https://ucdavis.joinhandshake.com/events/388391/share_preview

Organization Events

Graduate Students of Color: Study Sessions (Attached)
Stop by anytime for a quiet study or grading space. Light refreshments provided. See the attached flyer for more information.

Event to promote collaboration with the California Department of Water Resources and the State Water Resources Control Board
They are looking for students and faculty to give lightning talks on research to DWR/SWRCB folks

January, 22nd, followed by lunch before we return to Davis.

Thanks for the immense and diverse interest in this event--the results are in (see below) so mark your calendars for the **morning of Jan 22**.
- **30 people** from HSGG, ECI, Ecology, and Bio and Ag Engineering replied. They included:
  - 26 graduate students
  - 3 faculty
  - 1 government employee*
- **Jan 22** accommodates the most people
* David hasn't yet distributed this form to government contacts--we want your presentation titles first (see below).

Please upload **the title slide** of your lightning talk (5 minutes max) at this Google Drive link by **November 26**. You can always change it later, and the full presentation isn't due until January 15. Name your presentation by last name and department (e.g., pauloo_hsgg.ppt). Once talk titles are in, we can start circulating the event to government folks. We will reach out later with reminders to finish presentations and coordinate rides.

The Chicano and Latino Engineers & Scientists Society (Attached)
CALESS would like to invite everyone to the following opportunities! All majors and races are invited! Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Indian Graduate student Association (IGSA): Diwali Night (Attached)
Every year IGSA celebrate the festival of lights with opulence and Midas with last year being the biggest Diwali night organized by the board and attended by approximately 300 attendees that come together to enjoy a night of cultural fusion, dance & music performances and happiness, joy & togetherness. There will be performances, food and other attraction which enable the student to get to know about and celebrate Indian culture. See attached flyer for more details.
The event is on November 22nd, 2019 from 6-9 pm in ARC Ballroom

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Best,
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