**Important Dates**

**October 16**
- [Dissertation Completion Grant](#) nominations due for the grant period January 1, 2019–June 30, 2019.

**October 26**
- Drop/Revision deadline - Last day to change to credit only. Last day to withdraw or drop a course, without a W grade, or to change from credit to audit.

**November 7**
- Deadline to apply to graduate in the fall 2018 term
- Registration Required ETD Review Deadline - Date by which a thesis or dissertation student must submit the ETD for review to graduate at the end of the fall

**Slate**
The faculty reviewer instructions were recently streamlined. As your faculty begin the application review process, please provide them with the new [instructions](#).

If your department processes IDTs (interdepartmental transfers), in order to pay the application fee for some applicants, you will need to revise your instructions. In Slate, there is no option to pay by check; instead, you should tell them to submit their application, but stop when they reach a payment screen. At that point, they should let you know about their application submission, so that you can initiate the IDT process.

**Enrollment**
Due to the volume of students enrolling at a given time, the registration process has been updated. Enrollment windows will now be assigned based on the number of hours a student has completed. This will permit more senior students to enroll earlier, with the first enrollment window opening Oct 17th. Closer to the registration date, students can view their assignment on their Planning & Enrollment tile in the MyPack Portal.

**Fall 2018 Graduate Writing Workshops Begin October 4**
Graduate Writing Support Services is offering workshops for Fall 2018 [starting October 4](#)! These interactive events are designed to help graduate students in any discipline learn and practice the writing strategies that will enable them to accomplish their academic and professional goals. October’s workshop topics include responding effectively to job ads (Oct. 4), writing CVs (Oct. 11), cover letters (Oct. 18), and research article introductions (Oct. 15 and Oct. 22). Visit our full offerings page and click the course names to learn more. Please encourage your students to register for and attend these useful writing workshops!

We also offer individual writing consultations, Shut Up and Write! Pop Up sessions throughout the semester, and the week-long Camp Completion in December. Visit our [Graduate Writing Support Services page](#) or email us at graduate-writing@ncsu.edu to learn more about these programs.

**Three Minute Thesis (3MT)**
Ten graduate student finalists representing four NC State colleges will compete in the Graduate School’s fourth annual Three Minute Thesis on Oct. 30, 3-5 p.m., Duke Energy Center of the Hunt Library. Please come out and support your students!

**Agriculture and Life Sciences**
- Katherine Kelly, master’s student, animal science
- Stella Nhanala, Ph.D. student, horticultural science
- Hannah Wapshott, Ph.D. student, plant and microbial biology

**Engineering**
- Amber Hubbard, Ph.D. student, chemical and biomolecular engineering
- Vivek Samu, Ph.D. student, civil engineering

**Sciences**
Graduate Student Mental Health Discussion Group
Please share the following opportunity with students:
A Graduate student mental health discussion group will be facilitated by Cody Zane (Mental Health Ambassador) and Maggie Johnston (Co-Advisor of Mental Health Ambassador Program)
Where: College of Textiles Convocation Center (Room 2309)
When: Tuesday, October 9th, 2018
What: A small group discussion about mental health in graduate school. What can be done to forestall/counter/prevent mental health issues. DISCLAIMER: This is not a group therapy session but it will be a safe space for students to share stories if they feel comfortable sharing.
How: Students should email Cody Zane (cpzane@ncsu.edu), with the Subject Title “Graduate Student Mental Health Discussion”, to put their name on the list. It’s on a first email, first serve basis and there will be a maximum of 15 people. A group email will be sent out to those who are accepted to the group a week before the event. If there is a large number of people who would like to discuss Graduate Student Mental Health a second group discussion may be formed on a different date.
Why: For any reason: feeling particularly passionate about spreading awareness about mental health issues, wanting to help other graduate students find their way through mental health issues, personally dealing with some mental health issues, wanting to learn tactics to counter those feelings and see that you are not alone in having these feelings.

Graduate School Personnel Changes
We would like to announce that we have a new International Admissions Specialist in the Graduate School; Denise Wesselow is moving from the admissions processor role and will be working in international admissions for us. Kamon Hester, who was previously in the role, has moved to the undergraduate admissions office. If you have new international admits for 2019, who you will support on an assistantship or fellowship, please be sure to send Denise a copy of the award letter, or ask the student to upload it with their CFR, for Graduate School review.