

Important Dates

September 1

- COVID-19 move-out - class break

September 7

- Labor Day - the university is OPEN, and classes will be held.

September 24

- Last day to get an in-state determination from RDS for Fall 2020

September 30

- Drop/Revision deadline - Last day to change to credit only. Last day to withdraw or drop a course.

Residency

Residency determination is handled through the NC Residency Determination Service (RDS); note that students should only submit an RDS application after they have been physically present in NC for one full year or longer. Additional information is available at go.ncsu.edu/NCRes.

It is imperative that new out-of-state students, who intend to apply for in-state residency in Fall 2021, begin their residency acts as soon as they arrive in NC. Some examples of residency acts include getting a NC driver's license, registering to vote, registering a vehicle, and further actions which demonstrate ties to NC.

GSSP Update

August 21 was the deadline for students to meet GSSP eligibility. Please double check that your students are hired on the appropriate job code and project or grant and otherwise meet eligibility requirements. We will no longer accept exception requests for Fall 2020 except in extreme circumstances or emergencies after this week. We will have current exception requests reviewed soon.

Slate Query - Deferrals

A new query is available in Slate that will show a list of your programs fall 2020 deferrals. Here is the link: <https://applygrad.ncsu.edu/manage/query/query?id=85243e87-6168-4d5f-ab13-6a2a708a13b9>

Course Drop Policy Change

Effective spring 2021, any courses dropped after census date will result in a W grade on the transcript. [REG 02.20.02 – Adding and Dropping Courses](#) now states:

3.3.1. Undergraduate and graduate student course drops after census date are considered to be course withdrawals and will result in a W grade on the transcript.

Please relay this information to students during the enrollment advising period. There has been a practice in some departments to encourage students to over-enroll with the intention of dropping a course after census. This type of practice will now result in a W on the students transcript.

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program - Webinar, Sept. 15 at 11am

Want tips on how to land a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship? The University Fellowships

Office will host a virtual preparatory webinar on Sept. 15 at 11 a.m. The webinar will be in the form of a panel, with time for questions and answers. It will also be recorded in the event you cannot participate. Here is the link:

<https://ncsu.zoom.us/j/97217904974>

Recruiting Event

Accelerate to Industry (A2i) in collaboration with BASF is hosting a 2 day recruiting event for BASF's Leadership Development Program PhD program on Sept. 10 and 11 from noon-3pm. The LDP is a 2 year rotational program for PhDs in the Life Sciences, Chemistry, and Chemical Engineering. Register [here](#) or at the link on [A2i's website](#).

Online Professional Development Workshops

The Graduate School Professional Development Team continues to offer support to graduate students and postdocs through virtual platforms. Our offerings include teaching and writing workshops, industry career

preparation through our A2i program, and more. We will continue to add programming, so please share our [workshops page](#) with grad and postdoc trainees in your department. Contact [Vanessa Doriott Anderson](#) with questions.

Virtual 3MT

The Graduate School's 6th annual [3-Minute-Thesis](#) contest will be held virtually via Zoom this year. Tune in December 2, 2020 at noon to watch the finalists' videos unveiled for the first time. Participants will be able to vote in real time for the People's Choice winner. All winners will be named in the live event. Questions? Contact [Katie Homar](#).

Former Postdoc Update

The Office of Postdoc Affairs (OPA) wants to hear what your former postdocs are up to now. Please complete our [Former Postdoc Update](#) Form to share postdoc career outcomes with OPA.

ImPACKful Blog

The ImPACKful Blog is always looking for ideas and individuals to highlight. Complete [this form](#) to share your ideas, provide key updates/accomplishments from grad students and postdocs, nominate individuals (trainees or those who work with them) to highlight, and more.

Industry Job Search Strategies

Accelerate to Industry's (A2i) Industry Job Search Strategies [Industry Talks Section](#) still has seats open! The industry talk section is just one of the two components of IJSS modules that are available to graduate students and postdocs. This semester includes talks from both private and nonprofit industry partners such as Parker LORD, American Civil Liberties Union, and General Electric. Students may take the Industry Talks section this semester and return in the Spring semester to take the Interactive Workshops section. For more information please visit go.ncsu.edu/A2i or contact [A2i via email](#).

Staying the Course: Factors that affect career choice and diversity in science

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs & Graduate School are excited to co-host a special online seminar and discussion with the NC State Office of Institutional Equity & Diversity (OIED) around the topic of diversifying the scientific workforce. This seminar is ideal for faculty who actively mentor junior researchers in their groups.

Staying the Course: Factors that affect career choice and diversity in science

When: Tuesday, September 8th, 12-1:30 PM

Where: Online

[Register Here](#)

In this virtual talk, [Dr. Marcus Lambert](#) will present data on factors that predict the career choices of postdoctoral researchers, including barriers to success for underrepresented groups. Attendees will leave with strategies for success in scientific careers and ways to promote a diverse and inclusive scientific workforce.

Bio: Dr. Marcus Lambert is an Assistant Dean in the Weill Cornell Graduate School of Medical Sciences and Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine at Weill Cornell Medicine. Dr. Lambert co-directs the Office of Student Diversity at Weill Cornell Medicine, which serves over 400 medical students and more than 900 graduate students. Trained in both biomedical and social science research methodology, his research efforts focus on educational and health equity interventions that improve access, equity and diversity in science and medicine. He currently is PI of an NIH-funded R25 grant to support diversity in the biomedical sciences, director of a summer research program for undergraduate students and is a member of the Cornell Center for Health Equity.

See a recent publication from Dr. Lambert (which he will present along with unpublished data) on career choices in under-represented biomedical postdoc groups [here](#).

For those who cannot attend the event on Sept 8th, OPA will record the seminar portion of Dr. Lambert's talk and write up key insights in our [ImPACKful blog](#).

As space is limited please only [register](#) if you plan to attend the event.