Did you know?

1. Effective January 1, 2014, a change in the prices of Thesis and Dissertation binding has been made. This change is as follows:

   - **Thesis & Dissertation Binding (first 5 copies)** from $50.00 to $60.00
   - **Thesis & Dissertation Binding (each additional copy)** from $16.50 to $18.00

2. All doctoral students, who have passed comprehensive exams, are required to be registered for at least one graduate credit hour (fall, spring, and summer) until the degree is completed. This includes the semester in which they graduate. Failure to comply with the requirement will result in charges to the student’s account for one graduate credit hour plus required fees for each semester. Students are not eligible for graduation until all charges are paid.

GRADUATE RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENT DAY 2014
CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The Office of Graduate Studies is sponsoring its “Fourth Annual Graduate Research Achievement Day” (G.R.A.D.) on Thursday, March 27, 2014 from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm in the Webb University Center. This event is a wonderful chance for graduate students to share their research and to bring attention to the benefits of graduate education at Old Dominion University. Participating in the G.R.A.D. event also gives students an opportunity to network with graduate students in other disciplines, as well as promotes graduate study to our undergraduate population.

Students will be able to share information about their research in a poster presentation and oral presentation format. The oral presentation sessions will take place between 9:30 am and 11:30 am, and the poster presentations will begin at 12:00 pm and end at 2:00 pm. Interested students should e-mail Iva Stoyneva the following information:

- **Identify interest in a Poster or Oral Presentation**, **Student Name**, **Contact Information** (e-mail & telephone number), **College**, **Degree Program**, **Research Title**, **Abstract of Presentation**.

Abstracts must be submitted by February 14 in Microsoft Word format, 12 point font size, single-spaced, 500 words maximum.

After all submitted abstracts are reviewed, eligible students will be notified and provided with additional information and guidance on the type of presentation they have selected by March 3, 2014.

This year, the Graduate Research Achievement Day will also serve as the pre-conference event to the NAGPS Southeast Regional conference, organized by the GSO (see next page). All graduate students are encouraged to participate in both events. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Iva Stoyneva at 757-683-5907 or at istoynev@odu.edu.
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WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Students who are currently enrolled in a master’s or doctoral program at an accredited institution in the U.S. or who have completed such a program within the past 18 months are eligible. WREI strongly recommends that applicants complete at least nine hours of graduate coursework before applying and display serious interest in research and policy-making relevant to women’s social and political status.

WHAT IS THE AWARD?

$1450 per month for 8 months
Additional $500 for health insurance

WHEN IS THE DEADLINE?

June 14, 2014

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO:

http://www.wrei.org/Fellows.htm

NAGPS’S SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT ODU

The National Association of Graduate-Professional Students (NAGPS) and ODU’s Graduate Student Organization (GSO) would like to invite you to the 2014 Southeast Regional Conference! The conference will take place on March 27-29 at Old Dominion University.

NAGPS is a student-run national, non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for graduate & professional students across the United States. The NAGPS regional conference serves as a forum where student leaders from the region come together to share best practices, learn about national platforms, and grow in their understanding of issues relevant to graduate students in the Southeast. The conference theme will focus on “Strategic Planning to Build Leadership, Advocacy, and Collaborative Capital within Graduate Student Organizations.” Graduate student leaders from ODU and other colleges and universities will discuss some of the issues that they have faced on their campuses, as well as some of the strategic ways in which they have solved them. The discussions will cover a variety of topics including: Increasing Leadership Capital, Increasing Advocacy Activities, Volunteerism and Service, Graduate Funding, Professional Development, as well as Health and Wellness.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?

“It is quite an honor for Old Dominion University to be chosen to host this conference,” said Yasmine Farley, president of the GSO. The GSO is looking for students willing to volunteer to help make this event a success. There are several committees to choose from. If you are interested, please contact Yasmine Farley at: monarchgso@gmail.com.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO ATTEND?

This conference is open to all graduate students. For more information and to register, visit: http://nagps.org/events/southeast-regional-conference/.

GRADUATE NEWS IS ONLINE AT WWW.ODULEDIU/GRADUATESTUDIES

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