Dear graduate students,

As we reach the halfway point of the winter term, we encourage you to take advantage of resources and opportunities that will ease and enhance your time at UO. In this newsletter, you'll find helpful resources and opportunities, such as mentee workshops, writing and storytelling workshops, and funding and scholarships.

You'll also find news for and about graduate students, as well as operational updates that may impact your day-to-day.

Sincerely,

Division of Graduate Studies

Events

**Untold: Stories of Struggle, transformation, and triumph**
*Tuesday, Feb. 13 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in Straub 254*
DEI will be holding an engaging personal storytelling workshop and offering a space to learn about the art of storytelling and practice crafting your own narrative. Storytelling is a process, and everyone is a storyteller – there is no right or wrong, and powerful stories can come from any moment, small or big. Join a fun, exploratory evening! Snacks provided.

**Workshop for Mentees: How to build your mentorship network**
*Monday, Feb. 19 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Zoom*
During this 1-hour interactive zoom workshop, mentees will learn how to use their agency to develop a robust mentorship network that includes peers, role models, coaches, sponsors, supervisor, advisors, and more.

**Teaching and Generative AI: A discussion for faculty and graduate instructors**
*Monday, Feb. 19 from 10:30 a.m. to Noon in Gerlinger Lounge*
Join the Teaching and AI Community Accelerating the Impact of Teaching (CAIT) group for a discussion about the implications of generative artificial intelligence on teaching and learning. Refreshments served.

Opportunities

**14-Day Writing Challenge**
The National Center for Faculty Diversity and Development is

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GE Opportunities

**Korean Popular Culture and Transnationalism**
Apply by Feb. 19

**Program Assistant and Digital Humanities Research Assistant**
Apply by Feb. 29

**DCSI GE Position**
Apply by Mar. 9
hosting their next 14-day writing challenge starting Feb. 26. This challenge is an opportunity to experiment with a daily writing, online community, and supportive accountability. Register by Feb. 16.

**Graduate Student Research Publications on Division Website**
The Division of Graduate Studies will feature a select sample of publications on its website that feature graduate students' disciplinary contributions and innovations. The list of publications will change each quarter. Check out what you and your peers are publishing at the bottom of our [research page](#).

**Funding & Support**

**Graduate Employment Funding Extension Petition**
*Apply for 2024-25 funds by March 15*
The GE Funding Extension provides additional funding (up to one year) for graduate students who were told that a GE appointment outside of their home/hiring unit would not count against their funding offer provided at the time of admission.

A student may petition during academic year 2023-24 or 2024-25 for a GE funding extension. Additional GE funding would be provided during the academic year immediately following petition. Read more about the [eligibility and the petition process](#).

**Health Related Scholarships**
*Apply by April 1*
This annual scholarship (up to $5,000) is awarded to undergraduate and graduate students who have an interest in health and family related matters, particularly in health preservation and enhancement, health education, nutrition, or family health and well-being. Learn more about eligibility and apply for these 2024-25 funds.

**Maradel Gale Pacific Islands Scholarship**
*Apply by April 1*
International or domestic graduate students who identify as Pacific Islander (not including Hawaiians) may apply for up to $5,000 per year in scholarship funds. Preference given to those with proficiency in an indigenous language.

**Tax Filing Support for International Students**
*Apply for 2024-25 funds by March 15*
International students have access to free federal and state tax filing support software. Visit the Division of Global Engagement support page for more information.

**Operations**

**Microsoft Teams transition**
Have you tried the new Microsoft Teams app? On Feb. 14, UO will transition fully to the new version. You can update now using the toggle switch. Setup takes a few minutes.

**Gmail and Yahoo changes**
Do you forward your UO email to Gmail or Yahoo? Recent changes may be causing emails to be lost. UO strongly recommends that you stop forwarding your UO email.

**Duo Universal Prompt trainings**
Training sessions on the Duo Universal Prompt are now scheduled for late February. Sign up for a one-hour webinar about Verified Push, biometrics, and other changes to Duo.
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