

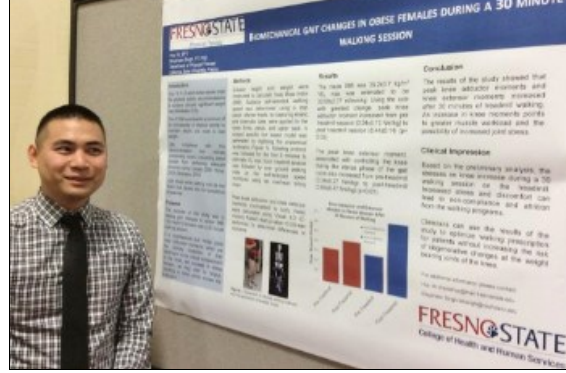
The end of the 2016 spring semester is almost here! The staff of the Graduate Net Initiative would like to congratulate those of you completing your degrees this semester. We celebrate your hard work and perseverance, and wish you great success in all your future endeavors! We also want to recognize the many of you who achieved great things this past academic year – whether that was receiving an award and/or recognition, presenting at conferences, publishing your research, getting hired, or any of the many other things which make Fresno State graduate students shine!

Whether becoming an alum(a) this year or pushing forward to the completion of your degree, keep in touch with the Graduate Net Initiative, follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)!

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Designing Effective Research Presentations

Justin Mathews, Ph.D.  
CSU, Monterey Bay



Pictured: Huy Vo, DPT Student

Learn how to format and edit a presentation to make it understandable, memorable, and successful.

#### Friday, April 1st

First session will be from 1:00-3:00 pm  
Second session will be from 3:00-5:00pm

Henry Madden Library, Room 2127

## Graduate Research and Creative Activities Symposium

The Graduate Research and Creative Activities Symposium is now accepting proposals!

The symposium will take place in the Henry Madden Library (2nd floor) on Thursday, May 5 from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Oral and virtual presentations, as well as poster opportunities, are available. Prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd place winners in each session.

Please visit the Division of Graduate Studies [webpage](#) for additional information and to submit your proposal.

The deadline for submissions is Monday, March 28 by 5:00 p.m.

For additional questions, please call [559-278-2448](tel:559-278-2448) or email [rodrigog@csufresno.edu](mailto:rodrigog@csufresno.edu)

## 37th Annual Central California Research Symposium

The 37th Annual Central California Research Symposium will be held this year on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 from 9:00am to 6:00pm in the University Business Center.

Abstract Submission Deadline:  
Friday, March 18, 2016 11:59 p.m.

Visit the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs website to [submit your abstract!](#)

## Special Resource Feature



Hello! As the Graduate Net Initiative mentor, I work to expand the Graduate Student Success Series. This is a series of workshops that provide graduate students with opportunities to learn about resources and strategies to maximize their success at Fresno State and beyond. I also meet with students to do mock presentations before they head out to conferences. I am happy to provide a sounding board for graduate students who want to discuss their career or research. If you have any questions about the Graduate Net Initiative resources or other resources at Fresno State, please feel free to contact me.

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## Spring Funding Opportunities

[Graduate Conference Travel Grant](#) through the Graduate Net are available on a rolling basis. Do not miss out on this excellent opportunity. For details and application visit our [website](#).

[Travel Grants](#) through the Division of Graduate Studies are available on a rolling basis as well. For details and application visit their [website](#).

[Graduate Equity Fellowship Program](#) (Deadline to submit: April 22, 2016 by 5:00 p.m.) These fellowships enable students from historically underrepresented backgrounds to pursue their graduate degrees with financial assistance in amounts from \$500 to \$2,000 per academic year for four semesters.

[Fresno State Scholarships](#) - The Fresno State Scholarship opened on October, 2015. The priority application deadline is February 28, 2016. However, there may be scholarship opportunities open beyond the priority deadline for specific majors, programs, or student groups.

For other funding opportunities, visit the [Graduate Net Financial Resources](#) page.



## Upcoming Deadlines

**Final Thesis (299) Submission Deadline:** Friday, April 1, 2016

Date by which final thesis, fully edited and approved, must be submitted to the Dissertation/Thesis Office.

**Priority summer clearance, Thesis Submission 2016:** Students who cannot meet the Friday, April 1, 2016 deadline may opt for priority summer clearance. The deadline is Monday, May 2, by 5:00 p.m. Students must complete all thesis requirements by May 2 and submit a completed graduate degree clearance form to the Division of Graduate Studies by May 20. Students may then apply to graduate for the summer (\$35) without having to be enrolled. Degrees will not be official until early in the fall 2016 term. Contact [Chuck Radke](#) for further questions.

The [Graduate Writing Studio](#) offers Thesis Formatting Labs every Friday in the Henry Madden Library room 2119 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## Graduation Ceremonies



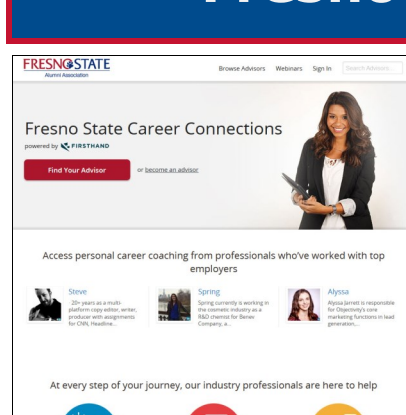
**Thursday, May 12, 2016:** Bulldog Stadium Celebration - Bulldog Stadium (corner of Barstow and Cedar) Enjoy the view from inside Bulldog Stadium. Enter through the tunnel and take pictures with your favorite mascot TimeOut. Be sure to wear your cap and gown! Win prizes and celebrate with your friends down the field! Registration is required. Details at <http://bit.ly/FSSafeCelebrating>

**Friday, May 20, 2016:** Departmental Graduations: For details [Click Here!](#)

**Saturday, May 21, 2016:**

7:00 a.m.	<a href="#">Bulldog Grad Walk</a>	<a href="#">Click here for route</a>
9:30 a.m.	UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY	<a href="#">Save Mart Center</a>
12:00 p.m.	<a href="#">CAMP Migrant Student Graduation</a>	<a href="#">North Gym 118</a>
2:00 p.m.	<a href="#">African-American Recognition Program</a>	<a href="#">Save Mart Center</a>
4:00 p.m.	Asian American and Pacific Islander Graduation Ceremony	<a href="#">Satellite Student Union</a>
6:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Chicano/Latino Commencement Celebration</a>	<a href="#">Save Mart Center</a>

## Fresno State Career Connections



[Fresno State Career Connections \(FSCC\)](#), is a free, powerful online tool that gives Fresno State students expert advice from alumni, parents and other members of the vast Fresno State community. FSCC helps you to easily and seamlessly obtain career-related advice on career paths and industries, on your résumé, and on your interviewing skills from the FSCC network.