

The Graduate Net Initiative is happy to share with you the second installment of our newsletter! It is a means to keep you updated on deadlines, procedures and available resources important to keep in mind as you plan for and apply to graduate school. We hope you find it helpful!

Please remember that the Graduate Net is here to support you both academically and professionally through workshops, mentoring, expanded campus and online resources, and much more.

If you have any questions, please visit our [website](#) or come see us in person!

-Graduate Net Staff

New university graduate admissions deadlines

Fall 2016

Application period - October 1 to June 1

Document deadline - June 15

Admit deadline - July 15

If you need help with your application, make an appointment with the Graduate Net's Graduate Outreach Specialist! She is available to help you navigate the graduate school application process.

For a list of all Fresno State graduate programs, admissions criteria, individual program deadlines, and graduate coordinators [click here](#).

Important Financial Aid Deadlines

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) -

The application opens January 1, 2016 and the priority deadline is March 2, 2016.

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.

Incoming Graduate Students - Graduate Equity Fellowship Program (Will Begin accepting Applications in Spring 2016)

These fellowships enable students from historically underrepresented backgrounds to pursue their graduate degrees with financial assistance in amounts up to \$4,500 per academic year for four semesters.

Visit our calendar for important graduate event dates and deadlines:

Graduate Net Calendar							
Today	◀	▶	October 2015	Print	Week	Month	Agenda
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
27	28	29	30	Oct 1	2	3	
	4:30pm Begin	2pm Thesis I		CSU Mentor	+3 more		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
	2pm Thesis I	3pm Beginnir			+2 more		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
	+2 more		10am Thesis	9am Introduc	+2 more		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
	5:45pm Gradu		9am Beginnir	2pm Internat	+2 more		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
		10:30am Writi	+2 more	2pm Academ	Fall 2015 Ma		

Events shown in time zone: Pacific Time [+ GoogleCalendar](#)

Writing your Personal Statement

Getting started

- Read the questions
- Generate response
- Brainstorm
- Idea Mapping (Clustering)
- Research material that supports your responses
- Create outline organizing this information

Things to keep in mind

- Show your personality
- Affirm your desire to attend that program of study

Things to answer

- Why do you want to go to grad school?
- What will grad school do for you?
- Why this school?
- Why is NOW the right time to go to grad school?
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The outline

- First Paragraph
- You need a "grabber"
- Middle Paragraphs
- Address your reasons for wanting to be on the field
- Be specific about your level of knowledge within your field
- Last Paragraph
- Draw the threads of your argument together to lead to the inevitable conclusion that you are right for this program

For more graduate application resources visit our [website](#).

Graduate School Preparation Workshops

Graduate School Preparation Workshop

Wednesday, February 17
3:00 - 4:00 pm

University Business Center (UBC) -192

Successful Personal Statements Workshop

Thursday, February 18
4:00 - 5:00 pm

Henry Madden Library - 2206

Graduate School Preparation Workshop

Wednesday, March 9
1:00 - 2:00 pm

Thomas Building - 103

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Career Development Center

Things to Consider

Fresno State Student Cupboard

The Fresno State Student Cupboard is a free food and hygiene pantry for current Fresno State students. Located in the Industrial Technology building, room 144, the Student Cupboard is open 6 days a week for a total of 30 hours to provide students with access to items.

Need an extra elective?

WS 150T: Im/migration and Gender still available.

This course is an interdisciplinary study of the U.S. social and political discourses of immigration, policy, citizenship and nationhood, as they shape the racial, gendered, sexual and economic experiences of im/migrant women.

CVS Externship Program

The CVS/Caremark 2016 Externship Program will offer you a training program that includes actual operation of a CVS facility. Students who successfully complete the program will be provided a \$250 recognition award with the completion of 50 hours of learning experience. All students will be provided supportive services throughout their learning experience.

For an application contact Monica Salazar via email at mosalazar@csufresno.edu.

Submit completed application by December 18TH, 2015.

