Call for Graduate Students

The Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Education (VPDGE) is seeking applications for eight non-stipend appointments to serve on the Graduate Dean’s Advisory Council on Diversity. Members will typically serve for one year.

Application deadline:
5 pm on Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Please email the complete application package to Mayra Chavez-Franco (mchavez@ucmerced.edu)

Mission:

The Graduate Dean’s Advisory Council on Diversity (GDACD) is a council of graduate students dedicated to enhancing and strengthening a culture of open inquiry, pluralism, mutual respect, and engagement among—and for—graduate students through the work of the council itself and through active advisement to the Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Education (VPDGE). The council is composed of ten graduate students, two representatives from the Graduate Student Association (GSA) and eight from the general graduate student population.

Goal:

The council is dedicated to encouraging, advocating, and facilitating academic excellence through diversity at the University of California, Merced. Council meetings are open to all campus community members.

Anticipated objectives include:

• Host focus group sessions to explore student experiences related to diversity and inclusion at UCM
• Review and recommend funding for graduate student initiatives that enhance and promote diversity and inclusion based on our Principles of Community.
• Support and participate in initiatives to increase the diversity of applicants to UC Merced’s graduate programs (e.g., Diversity Forums, visitation weekend)
• Identify and recommend necessary changes to improve and support a diverse and inclusive graduate student population
• Recommend model programs or activities and support Graduate Division and Campus Wide implementation (e.g., Graduate Diversity Orientations)
• Enhance community collaborations that support the intellectual and research interests of the university in the area of diversity and inclusion
Graduate Dean’s Advisory Council on Diversity 2016-2017

Instructions: Please (1) complete this application, (2) complete or attach a statement of purpose, and (3) attach your abbreviated vitae. The statement of purpose is LIMITED to ONE PAGE. The abbreviated vitae is LIMITED to TWO PAGES. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that all materials are submitted on time. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

To submit please email your completed application packet to mchavez@ucmerced.edu with the subject heading: LAST NAME_GDACD_2016-17

Applicant Information

Full Name: ____________________________ Expected Graduation Year: ____________

Last First M.I.

Phone: ______________________________ Email: ______________________________

Graduate Group: __________________________ Degree Objective: ________________

Statement of Purpose

1. Please describe why you would like to serve on the council, why you would be a great choice, and/or what else you would bring to the council (personal experience, research focus, specific ideas, personal philosophy and/or character traits, etc.). Please limit to one page.

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Abbreviated Vitae

2. On a separate sheet please attach your abbreviated vitae (limit 2 pages).

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UC Merced embraces the University of California’s definition of diversity and upholds University of California, Merced’s Principles of Community.

Thank you for submitting your application.

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