

GSTU 210: GRADUATE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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DATE	TOPIC
08/25	Welcome and introduction. <i>Informal meet and greet</i>
09/01	Imposter syndrome and personal assessment <i>Guest speaker: Carrie Kouadio, Executive Director, Center for Cellular and Biomolecular Machines, UC Merced.</i>
09/08	Proposal writing <i>Guest speaker: Prof. Stephanie L. Canizales, (she/her/ella), Department of Sociology, UC Merced.</i>
09/15	Leadership: Team management, conflict resolution and productive collaboration. <i>Led by IOR</i>
09/22	Mentoring: encouraging positive and enriching mentor-mentee relationships. <i>Guest speaker: Dr. Maria Nishanian, Graduate Academic Counselor, UC Merced</i>
09/29	Ethics and equity in graduate education <i>Guest speaker: Prof. Ayesha Boyce, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College, Arizona State University</i>
10/06	Writing and publishing: navigating the publication process <i>Guest speakers: Prof. Jin Zhong Zhang, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, UC Santa Cruz Prof. Michael Saler, Department of History, UC Davis</i>
10/13	Project management: how to lead any project systematically and successfully to completion (dissertation, manuscript, proposal, research plan...) <i>Led by IOR</i>
10/20	Proposal evaluation <i>Led by IOR</i>
10/27	3MT experience <i>Led by IOR</i>
11/03	Job applications: Preparing cover letter, CV and resume <i>Guest speaker: Dr. Sara Schneider, Academic Coordinator, Office of Research and Economic Development, UC Merced.</i>
11/10	Job applications: Research, teaching, and diversity statements <i>Guest speaker: Prof. Sarah Loebman, Department of Physics, UC Merced.</i>
11/17	Communication skills: from job interviews to presentations <i>Guest speakers: Prof. Anne Zanzucchi, Associate dean for Student Services and Academics in the School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts, Jamie Moore, Graduate Peer Writing Tutor.</i>
12/01	Intellectual Property and Commercialization <i>Guest speakers: Adrienne Yeung, Sr. Intellectual Property Officer, Office of Research & Economic Development, UC Merced Michael Pavlovich, Technology and Innovation Officer, Office of Research & Economic Development, UC Merced</i>
12/08	Wellness and life balance: time management and prioritizations <i>Graduate student speakers: Alauna Wheeler (Physics), Edgar Perez-Lopez (ME).</i>