1. Welcome/Dean's News
2. Preliminary Fall 2010 Enrollment

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<td>Total Enrollment:</td>
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<td>New Graduate Students</td>
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<td>Total Master’s</td>
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<td>Total Doctoral</td>
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<td>Conferred doctoral degrees*</td>
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3. Brief Announcements and FYIs
   - Paperless Admissions Processing/Auto loading applications into ImageNow
   - Upcoming Recruiting Activities
     a. GradFest [http://grad.uta.edu/programs/gradfest/](http://grad.uta.edu/programs/gradfest/)
        Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2010: This free, one-day event is designed for those considering graduate and professional school as well as those who are new graduate students. Please encourage your students to attend.
        • 10:00am to 2:00pm Graduate and Professional School Fair in the Palo Duro Lounge of the University Center.
        • 11:00 to 11:45 a.m. Roundtable discussions about admissions, financial assistance opportunities and test preparation in the San Saba and Palo Pinto room of the University Center.
        • Noon to 1:30 p.m. A current graduate student and alumni panel discussion led by Dr. Raymond Jackson, Graduate School associate dean, will discuss making the most of the graduate school experience and address topics such as mentoring, balancing school with work and life, and family life.
        • 3:00 to 5:00pm. Kaplan Test Prep free online practice GRE in room 04 of University Hall. After the exam, an expert GRE teacher will provide a mini-GRE sample class highlighting strategies to use on test day while reviewing some of the questions covered on the exam.
        • 5:00 to 7:00pm Graduate Student Senate (GSS) will host a faculty/graduate student mixer in the University Club at Davis Hall. Please plan to attend and encourage other Faculty and graduate students to attend.
b. Graduate Admissions and Financial Resources Workshops

http://grad.uta.edu/prospective/visit/workshops/

Students meet with an OGS representative from the who will discuss how to apply, general admission processes, financial assistance opportunities, and graduate student services.

- September 29th 2010  12:00pm-1:00pm
- November 18th 2010 12:30pm-2:00pm


c. Walk-In Visitor Info Sessions

http://grad.uta.edu/prospective/visit/walkin/

Walk-in sessions are a great way for prospective students to learn more about graduate studies at UT Arlington. An OGS admissions counselor will discuss how to apply, the admission process, ways to seek financial assistance, available graduate student services, and answer questions.

- November 10th 2010  3:00-4:30pm
- November 17th 2010  3:00-4:30pm

d. SHPE Annual Conference: OGS will send a representative. October 27-31, 2010 Cincinnati, Ohio. Next year’s event will be in Fort Worth, TX

e. SACNAS Conference (Society for Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science)- OGS will send a representative to the annual conference in Anaheim, CA September 30-October 03, 2010.

f. Doctoral Visit Day

March 3-4, 2011

- Funded by a cost-share agreements with participating colleges/schools, this program supports a campus visit for exceptional admitted doctoral or doctoral bound students, chosen by their respective departments (applicants who have not yet been admitted are also eligible).
- Arrival on Thursday evening with all structured activities on Friday.
- Visitors will participate in a variety of activities such as meeting with administrators, touring the campus and laboratories, workshops and interacting with faculty members and current graduate students.

g. Lone Star Graduate Diversity Colloquium

http://grad.uta.edu/programs/lsdc

March 25-26, 2011. UT Arlington will host the Lone Star Graduate Diversity Colloquium, an annual event that helps minority and underrepresented students transition from a bachelor’s degree to graduate study. The colloquium, supported by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Association of Texas Graduate Schools, typically attracts over 200 students from across the state.

h. Updated graduate recruiting brochures are available. You may request brochures from OGS. Please contact Sebastian Fuentes, OGS recruiter at Sebastian@uta.edu.

- Graduate Student Resources Brochure and EtCetera
  
a. ETC: EtCetera workshop series continues this Fall. Remaining workshop descriptions, times and locations can be found online at http://grad.uta.edu/etc.

b. GRF Workshop: The graduate Fellowship workshop is a three part series designed to provide information about fellowships offered to graduate students by federal agencies, determining eligibility, writing a strong application and improving your chances of being funded. This workshop will focus on the NSF graduate Research Fellowship, NASA Graduate Student Researchers Program, and the National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship. Awards for graduate students who win these fellowships range from $30,000 to $40,000 per year. US citizens or permanent residents, especially those in STEM and social sciences fields of study, who are interested in obtaining federal funding for their research at The University of Texas at Arlington, are invited to attend.

  All sessions will be held on Fridays in October from 11am - 12pm.
  October 15      11am-12pm:  General information session and panel discussion, Room 303 CPB
  October 22  11am-12pm:  Writing a winning personal statement, Central Library, Room 411
  October 29  11am-12pm:  Writing a proposed plan of research, Central Library, Room 411

  Students can register for the workshop sessions at http://grad.uta.edu/etc

c. RCR Institute: The RCR Institute offers educational programming and a certification program to support the efforts by departmental and individual faculty members to provide RCR training to graduate and undergraduate students involved in research.
d. Research Ethics and Compliance Workshop
What can you do while conducting or reporting your research findings? What should you do? Is there a difference and how do you know what is right? In this workshop, discuss research ethics and compliance and discover the answers to these questions. This workshop is Part 1 of a new three-part workshop series on Responsible Conduct of Research. For more information visit http://grad.uta.edu/rcr.

e. UT Arlington Workshop for Faculty (informational flyer forthcoming)
Building a Successful Research Program and Mentoring Graduate Students Friday, October 15, 2010 8:30am-3:45pm (Lunch will be provided) Nedderman Hall room 100 RSVP by emailing Krismer@uta.edu. Please include any dietary restrictions in your response.
   - ENGAGE Mentoring: The IM Program provided doctoral and doctoral-bound students who have completed 30 hours of graduate study an opportunity to gain teaching and mentoring experience by serving as a research mentor to a UT Arlington undergraduate. Graduate students received a $400 stipend during the term in which they participate in the project. Undergraduates received a scholarship for 3 semester credit hours of independent study in the term in which they participate in the project. The first semester of the program was a great success. We funded 19 pairs of students and received some great portfolios and the feedback from the students was very positive. The program will again be funded in Summer 2011. We have plans to add an additional component that involves high school students from Ft. Worth in cooperation with FWISD and the Ft. Worth Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. For more information about the IM program, visit http://grad.uta.edu/im.
   - The Graduate School Dissertation Fellowship Program–The Graduate School Dissertation Fellowship Program is intended to support doctoral students in the final stage of completing their doctoral dissertations. Nineteen students were funded in Summer 2010, the inaugural semester of this program. Assessment of student progress will continue over the rest of the academic year to determine whether the program successful in helping the funded students reach their goals of completing their dissertations and graduating this year. The OGS plans to continue funding of this program in Summer 2011. For more information visit http://grad.uta.edu/students/finances/scholarships/.

4. Graduate Advisors’ Blog/Grad Advisor Network–The Grad Advisor Network is a place to find answers and share information about advising graduate students. The blog contains links to advising resources, highlights current events on campus, and has a discussion area for advisors. This is a private blog, available only to graduate advisors and their administrative assistants/support staff. Please email the Net ID of anyone you would like to have access to the blog to lberry@uta.edu.

5. Catalog Updates –The Graduate Catalog System will be open for submissions in October 2010. OGS will send an announcement when a specific date has been determined.

6. Q&A – Discuss issues of importance to the graduate advising community.
   a. Dean Cohen solicited opinions about a suggested change in the number of required dissertation hours that would set a minimum number of total dissertation hour required (e.g. 12 hours) and lower the final semester dissertation hour requirement to 3 semester hours.
      • Math stated that requiring fewer hours in the final semester may be inconsistent with the workload of faculty who may devote significantly more time with the students in their final semester.
      • Some programs indicated that students will far exceed the minimums required.
      • Concerns were raised about implications for full-time vs. part time and issues for international students who are required to be full time enrolled in all but the final semester of enrollment.
      • It was suggested that this topic be further discussed and explored via the Graduate Advisors’ Blog.