



Graduate Center Newsletter

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Message from the Dean

During this pandemic quarantine, we may be in isolation, but we are not isolated. Despite loss, uncertainty, and fear, we are every day experiencing others' generosity, kindness, and even heroism. We are finding that the shared interests and mutuality that are so sustaining in community can be powerfully felt across distance and across change.

Three weeks ago I was lucky enough to attend an emblem of this resilient connectedness: a recent gathering of nearly 2,000 international folk dancers, convened on Zoom and Facebook Live by the Peninsula Folk Dance Council. On six continents, we danced together in our separate rooms. Students in Canada danced with teachers in South Korea; neophytes in Australia were thrilled to "join hands" with luminaries in Italy. Many of us were strangers, but all were connected. The largest gathering of folk dancers in over fifty years, it was inspiring. Separate but not alone.

Even more powerfully, I see this phenomenon of "together apart" in our graduate students. Because graduate students fulfill so many roles—teacher, creator, researcher, family provider, parents, elder care givers, employee, dissertator, mentor, mentee, volunteer, leader—the pandemic has taken an especially difficult toll on them. And yet every day, I am struck by the resourcefulness and compassion of graduate students throughout the university. They remain committed to the discovery, learning, and community enrichment that inform our mission. They continue to engage with ideas, people, and potential of all kinds. Together apart, they may be dispersed, but they are united in core values and shared endeavors.

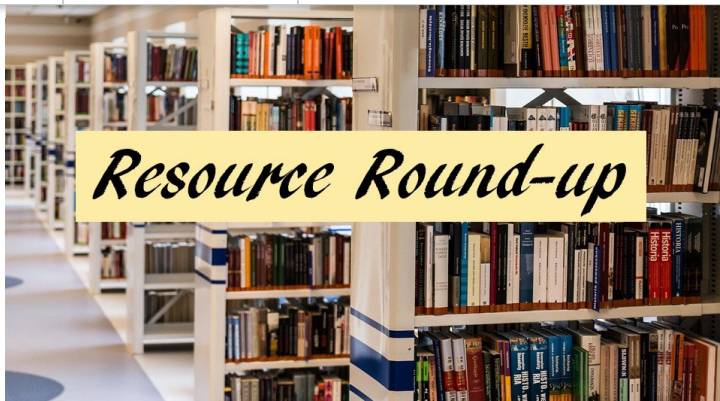
Thank you for taking care of yourselves and of so many communities. Our strength is in each other, no matter where we are.



Andrew Carnie
Dean, Graduate College

**Upcoming UA Events for
Graduate Students &
Postdocs**

For more event details and a



Research anywhere, anytime

When libraries and archives around the world closed, including UArizona's numerous libraries, it might have felt like graduate work and research were dealt a serious blow. But while you can't head into the library to study, write, or search the stacks in person, this doesn't mean you've entirely lost access to the library. Just as classes and other services have shifted online, so too have many library resources. To learn more about utilizing library resources from home, [click here](#).



Five Ways to Infuse Self-Care into the Job Search Process

As we seek resources and supports to help us plan and prepare for our career or execute a job search, well-intentioned others give us all kinds of advice: network early and often with others; diversify our experiences in and out of the classroom or lab; understand what skills and experiences will make us most competitive for the role we want next; be sure to speak the employer's language. This is all good advice! However, it overlooks one important foundational element: first and foremost, we need to take care of ourselves

opportunities, visit the [Graduate Center calendar](#).

Repeating events:

Daily, 12:00 - 4:00 pm: LifeLab open hours

Tuesdays, 8:00 - 10:00 am: PhTea: Coding and Programming Support Meetup

Tuesdays, 2:00 pm: Writing Efficiency Sessions

Thursdays, 9:00 am: Data Drop-In

Thursdays: 4:00 - 7:00 pm: Hacky Hour: Interdisciplinary Data Science Meetup

Fridays, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm: ThinkTank Writing Support

Fridays, 9:00 am: Writing Efficiency Sessions

Fridays, 2:00 pm: Research Bazaar's Shut Up and Write!

Wednesday, April 22

12:00pm: Wellness Wednesdays: "Shift to Optimistic Thinking Through Art"

5:00pm: The Art of Thriving as a Grad Student

Thursday, April 23

12:00pm: Future Leaders Workshop: Mindful Leadership

5:30pm: IES Energy Talk

Wednesday, April 29

12:00pm: Wellness Wednesdays: "The Power of Breath"

5:00pm: The Art of Thriving as a Grad Student

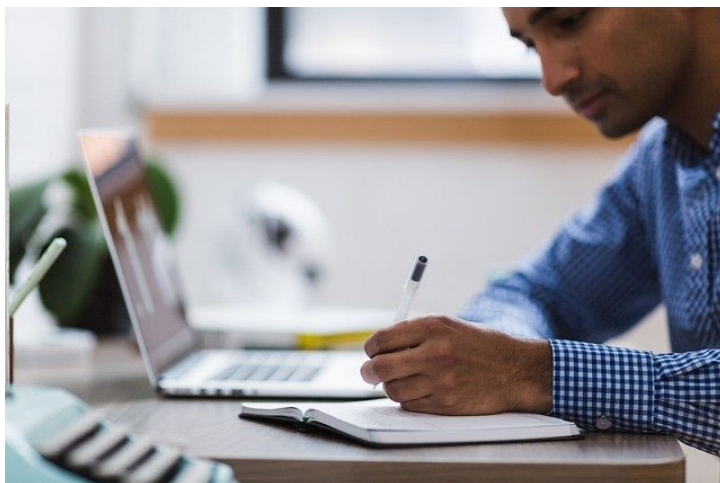
Wednesday, May 6

12:00pm: Wellness



Working from home, but still working hard for graduate and professional students

Even though most of us are away from campus, the Graduate and Professional Student Council (GPSC) is still hard at work on our behalf. In the past year, they've earned some major victories for graduate students, and their success is motivating them in pursuit of new goals even as the conceptions of our school and work lives shift dramatically. To learn more about the GPSC's work, [click here](#).



5:00pm: The Art of Thriving as a Grad Student

Thursday, May 7

5:00pm: iSpace:
Womxn/Trans/Femme Maker
Nights

Wednesday, May 13

12:00pm: Wellness
Wednesdays: "Using Guided
Imagery for Reducing Anxiety
Related to Social Isolation"

Wednesday, May 20

12:00pm: Wellness
Wednesdays: "Fresh Produce
Essentials: Shopping, storing,
and stretching your produce
across different recipes for
multiple weeks"

Wednesday, May 27

12:00pm: Wellness
Wednesdays: "Staying
Connected Through the
Generations in a Virtual World"

Thursday, June 4

5:00pm: iSpace:
Womxn/Trans/Femme Maker
Nights

Thursday, July 2

5:00pm: iSpace:
Womxn/Trans/Femme Maker
Nights

who've been where you are

Spring semester is already winding down, and you're likely looking ahead to summer and making plans about what you're going to tackle during the coming months. If an application for a fellowship is on your agenda, consider applying to the Summer 2020 Fellowship Application Development Program. To learn more about the program, [click here](#).



For this University Fellow, the little things literally loom large

University Fellow Victoria Luizzi may have found her calling as an ecologist in the jungle, but it's the desert that drew her to UArizona for her doctoral work. Here, she studies inter-species interactions, bringing her focus all the way to the microbial level. Luizzi's work highlights the myriad connections between life forms, while she herself connects the arts and sciences. To learn more about Luizzi and her work, [click here](#).

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