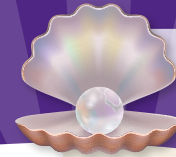


Pirate Pearls

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Searching for Funding for 2019-2020?

Maximize your job search strategy!

Many offices on campus arrange for graduate assistants months in advance of the start date. So, if you need assistantship funding for 2019-2020, it's time to start looking now! Here are some places online to review for more opportunities!

Student Employment Office

The Student Employment Office maintains job advertisements for all types of student positions: federal work-study, hourly pay (self-help), and assistantships. Review their listings regularly

Gradfunding mailing list

You can subscribe to this opt-in mailing list and receive announcements that are sent out by the Graduate School. This mailing list sends out assistantship, fellowship & scholarship opportunities as well as some general financial advice. Review subscription instructions on the [Grad School website](#).

Graduate Program Director

Speak with your graduate program director to determine if there are funding opportunities within your program or Department. These are handled differently in each program, so make sure to speak with the director of your degree or certificate program to get the most accurate information. You can find your program director by searching for your program on the [Find Your Program feature](#) on the Grad School website.

Search External Databases

Review sites like [ProFellow.com](#), ECU's [SPIN database](#), and other [online funding opportunities](#) to see what's out there for you!

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Thesis Or Dissertation Upload Deadline

This date is always in the Academic Calendar. Click on the [Blue Link](#) on the top of any academic calendar and you will be taken to the Application and Processing Calendar. The Thesis & Dissertation deadline is always listed there!

[Spring 2019](#)
[Summer 2019](#)





PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

Research & Creative Achievement Week (RCAW)

Nervous about presentations?

There are workshops to help students improve their presentation skills! The RCAW presentation workshops can help you improve your poster session & oral presentation skills. There are two workshops to learn the techniques & two practice sessions, too.

[Research & Creative Achievement Week](#)

Informational Session Poster Presentations Workshop

March 12, 2019 | 4:00 – 5:00 PM | Joyner Library 1418

Informational Session Oral Presentations Workshop

March 13, 2019 | 3:00 – 4:00 PM | Joyner Library 1418

Come learn from the experts – Oral presentations in a nutshell

Poster Presentation Practice Session

March 19, 2019 | 1:00 – 4:00 PM | Joyner Library 1418

Practice your talk in one of the rooms in which RCAW will be hosting the poster presentations in and receive feedback & tips on how to improve your presentation.

Graduate Oral Presentation Practice Session

March 22, 2019 | 12:00 – 3:00 PM | Mendenhall Great Room 1

Practice your talk in one of the rooms in which RCAW will be hosting the oral presentations in and receive feedback & tips on how to improve your presentation.

Spring Career Fair & Spring Education Fair

March 13 - see website for times www.ecu.edu/career

MAKE SURE YOU SIGN UP FOR HANDSHAKE!

HANDSHAKE is the online portal Career Services offers to all ECU students. This online tool can help you connect to employers both on campus and off-campus. It is also a great way to sign up for the campus career fairs and other events brought to you through Career Services.

Log into [HANDSHAKE](#) today to get started!



IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

FEB
3-10

Spring Break
[Academic Calendar](#)

MAY
3

Commencement
[Academic Calendar](#)
[Commencement Information](#)
If you are graduating, [apply for graduation NOW!](#)

MARCH
20

Last day to withdraw from term-length courses or withdraw from school without grades by 5:00 PM today.
[Academic Calendar](#)

MAY
13

Summer 1 and 11 week summer classes begin
[Academic Calendar](#)

MAR
22

Early Registration for Summer and Fall 2019 semesters begins at 1:00 PM. Grad students can register at 1:00 PM. [Academic Calendar](#)

MAY
14

Last day for registration and schedule changes for Summer 1 and 11-week summer sessions
[Academic Calendar](#)

APRIL
18

Last day to submit a thesis or dissertation for Spring 2019 graduation
[Processing Calendar](#)

MAY
27

State Holiday (no classes)
[Academic Calendar](#)

APRIL
19-20

Last day to submit an abstract for a presentation at Research & Creative Achievement Week 2019
[RCAW Website](#)

JUNE
4

Last day to withdraw from summer 1 courses or for the entire term without grades by 5:00 PM.
[Academic Calendar](#)

APRIL
23

State Holiday Make-Up day. Classes which would have met on Friday April 19 will meet on this day instead.
[Academic Calendar](#)

JUNE
17

Classes end. Last day for faculty to remove incompletes from Summer Session 1 2018.
[Academic Calendar](#)

APRIL
23

Classes end. Last day for faculty to remove incompletes from Spring 2018.
[Academic Calendar](#)

JUNE
18

Final exams for Summer Session 1
[Academic Calendar](#)

[Academic Calendars are always found at ecu.edu/fsonline/senate/fscalend.cfm](http://ecu.edu/fsonline/senate/fscalend.cfm)



RESEARCH & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

2019 ICPSR Summer Program Scholarships

The Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) is offering funds to support training in statistics, quantitative methods, research design, and data analysis at the 2019 ICPSR Summer Program.

The following ICPSR Summer Program scholarships are open to students (unless stated otherwise) in the specified disciplines, fields, or areas of research. All ICPSR Summer Program scholarships cover the registration fees for one or both four-week sessions in the 2019 ICPSR Summer Program. The application deadline for all 2019 ICPSR Summer Program scholarships is March 31, 2019. For more information, visit www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog or contact the Summer Program at sumprog@icpsr.umich.edu.

- Clifford C. Clogg Scholarship: Open to students in Sociology
- Diversity Scholarship: Open to incoming and returning graduate students from underrepresented groups
- Jerome M. Clubb Scholarship: Open to students in Quantitative History or related fields
- Henry (Hank) Heitowit Scholarship: Open to students, instructors, faculty, or researchers regardless of specific substantive field or academic discipline who have previously attended the ICPSR Summer Program's four-week sessions
- Eugene Owen Scholarship: Open to students, pre-tenure scholars, assistant professors, and advanced scientists from any academic discipline researching cross-national differences in education and teaching
- Warren E. Miller Scholarship: Open to students, pre-tenure scholars, and assistant professors researching electoral and political behavior, either in the U.S. or in a comparative context
- Scholarship for Developmental, Child, & Family Psychology: Open to students pursuing research in child, developmental, and family psychology
- Scholarship for Education Research: Open to students pursuing research on education issues
- Scholarship for Political Science Research: Open to students in Political Science
- Scholarship for Public Administration, Public Policy, and Public Affairs: Open to students pursuing research in public administration, public policy, or public affairs

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The following scholarships are awarded by organizations outside of ICPSR. These scholarships also cover the registration fees for one or both of the 2019 four-week sessions.

- EITM Certification Scholarships: Awarded by EITM to graduate students in Political Science. Application deadline: March 1, 2019.
- Janet Box-Steffensmeier & John A. Garcia Scholarships: Awarded by the Society for Political Methodology to women & under-represented graduate students enrolled in Political Science PhD programs. Application deadline: March 31, 2019.
- Hanes Walton, Jr. Award for Quantitative Methods Training: Awarded by the National Conference of Black Political Scientists to faculty and graduate students from Historically Black Colleges and Universities, as well as to women and minority graduate students and faculty at other institutions. Application deadline: March 31, 2019.



RESEARCH & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Applications are being accepted now through April 30 for the 2019-2020 NC AHEC Scholars program at Eastern AHEC.

This program recruits, trains, and supports a diverse group of students from across the state, creating a multidisciplinary team of health professionals committed to community service and the transformation of health care in North Carolina. There is an emphasis on individuals from underrepresented minorities, disadvantaged/rural backgrounds, and first-generation college students. Applicants should have a current interest in improving health care in rural or underserved communities and be currently enrolled in a health professions degree or certificate program in North Carolina.

- Open to university and community college students of all health professions (including mental health)
- Network with peers and professionals across the region and state
- Two-year program (September-May each year)
- 80 hours of education/training per year (40 didactic and 40 clinical)
- \$400 stipend per year

Medical, dental, pharmacy, nursing, social work, physical therapy, occupational therapy, public/population health, and other health professions students are eligible to apply. This program is open to both undergraduate and graduate students as long as they can commit two years.

See what the 2018-2019 cohort has to say:

"My favorite part of this program thus far has been attending these interactive and engaging presentations from established health professionals, and especially so with a group of equally motivated and ambitious students with similar interests." - Sruthi Boddapati

"I have learned about ways that I can better myself as a student and future health professional. Since I am already a public health major, this program has helped me apply the knowledge I already know and learn more about other topics like effective communication, nutrition, etc." - Melenis Lopez

"I liked collaborating and exploring the different perspectives that were brought to the table. In this program, I learned the importance of health literacy. For that matter, I learned to communicate in layman's terms when working with people who are not studying the same profession." - Jharnell Cofield

For more information, visit:

<https://www.easternahec.net/student-services-housing/nc-ahec-scholars/>

For more information about the program, contact Paige Fuqua at fuquap18@ecu.edu.

Applications due April 30, 2019.



IMPORTANT ACADEMIC POLICIES

Graduating with a Certificate

Certificates are one type of academic credential you can earn as a graduate student at ECU. Some certificates require the student to be enrolled in a degree program and other certificates can be earned as a “stand alone” credential. If you are already a degree bound student, you can complete the Add a Certificate form online to get permission to officially enroll in a certificate. You must be enrolled in a certificate in order to graduate with a certificate. If you are taking the courses, but are not officially enrolled in the certificate, it will not be graduated or added to your transcript. Please speak with your graduate program director and the director of the certificate to ensure you are properly enrolled. You should see a Degree Works audit for the certificate if you are properly enrolled. All of the available certificates can be reviewed in the [Find Your Program feature](#) on the Graduate School website. You must apply to graduate for a certificate just as you are required to for a graduate degree. See the [Registrar’s website](#) for details on applying to graduate.

Registering & Paying Tuition and Fees on Time

There are important deadlines each semester by which students must be registered for the term and pay their tuition and fees balance. It is the student’s responsibility to get registered and to check the accuracy of their schedule. The course name, number, section, and number of credits needs to be checked by the student by the 5th day of classes for Fall & Spring and by the 2nd day of classes for Summer Semesters. Make sure to review the [Academic Calendar for each semester](#) to learn these deadlines. It is up to you to be registered on time. Late registrations may not be possible.

Also, the Cashier publishes [Tuition and Fees rates](#) as well as Important Deadlines well in advance of each term. It is the student’s responsibility to ensure these financial payments are made. There are times when schedules are dropped for non-payment. Students should not rely on being dropped for non-payment as a means for withdrawing from school. Make sure to review all these links carefully!

Graduating in Spring or Summer 2019?

The [application for graduate graduation](#) should be completed at least one semester prior to completion of the requirements of the degree or certificate. Application for graduation must be completed online through [PiratePort](#) in Banner Self Service. If there are curriculum changes after the student has applied to graduate or if the semester of graduation changes, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the Office of the Registrar at regis@ecu.edu to have the graduation application updated. Students who complete the degree requirements after the last day of final exams in the intended term of graduation will be certified for graduation in a subsequent term. You must apply for a degree graduation and a certificate graduation separately, even if they are graduated the same semester

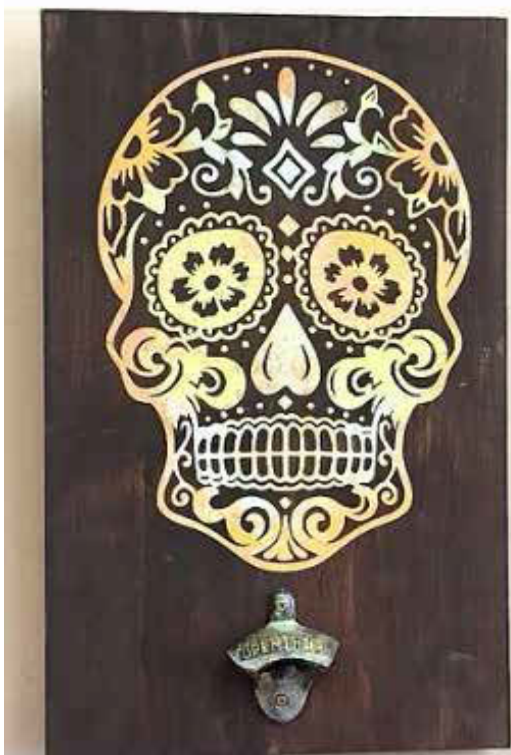


GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE

BRUNCH & BOARDS

MARCH 3
11AM-2PM

THE PAINTED PEACOCK
GREENVILLE, NC



\$5 FOR ECU STUDENTS • SIGN-UP ON ORGSYNC



<https://orgsync.com/login/east-carolina-university>



GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS AVAILABLE

Graduate Assistantships for 2019-2020 academic year available in the Division of Student Affairs. Apply Today!

Student Affairs posted its graduate assistantships for 2019-20 and are available for review on their [website](#). Each position is linked to a specific job description with details about the position as well as funding, application information and more. A short list of the positions includes positions in a variety of offices including Campus Recreation & Wellness (Adventure/Leadership, Athletic Training, Communications & Marketing, Fitness, Wellness), Campus Living (Residence Life), Marketing, Leadership & Civic Engagement, Career Services, Office of Student Rights & Responsibilities, Women and Gender office as well as Student Affairs Assessment, Research, and Planning. A graduate assistantship in these offices could help enhance your graduate education. Please [review the website](#) and the specific links for each position. Each position may have its own requirements, application, and deadlines.

<https://studentaffairs.ecu.edu/garecruitment/>

Need More Information on Funding?

Make sure you opt-in to our optional GradFunding mailing list so open assistantships, scholarships, and fellowships information come straight to your Inbox! You can easily sign up today and unsubscribe when you are ready to stop reviewing funding emails.

The GradFunding mailing list is specifically for ECU graduate students who are looking for assistantships, scholarships, grants, or other types of graduate education or research funding. You must opt in (subscribe) to this mailing list - and then opt out (unsubscribe). Follow these directions to start getting these periodic announcements today!

1. Address an email to listserv@listserv.ecu.edu
2. No subject or signature file.
3. Type the message: **SUBSCRIBE GRADFUNDING-L Firstname Lastname**
4. Replace Firstname and Lastname with your name.
5. Send the email.