Spring 2010 Graduate Student Success Workshop Schedule

IMPORTANT NOTE: All workshops will be presented on the dates indicated below. Students should register for each workshop through the Graduate School main website using the “WORKSHOPS” link (http://www.grad.usf.edu/workshops.asp). All registered participants will receive an email confirmation about the event approximately ONE WEEK prior to the event. Additional questions about the dates, times and location of the workshops can be addressed to the Graduate School (813-974-2846).

SPRING 2010 SCHEDULE

FINDING A FACULTY MENTOR AND TIPS FOR CHOOSING A RESEARCH TOPIC–
Facilitated by Dr. Richard Pollenz, Professor and Associate Dean
Advice provided on how to go about selecting a faculty mentor for thesis & dissertation research projects as well as tips on how to find a good research project. This workshop is designed for students in their first few years of school who have not made these decisions yet.
Tues., January 26, 5:00 p.m. — 6:45 p.m., in MSC 2703 (Marshall Student Center)

FINDING FUNDING FOR YOUR RESEARCH -
Facilitated by Dr. Richard Pollenz, Professor and Associate Dean
Students will learn about resources, policies and procedures regarding funding opportunities for thesis and dissertation research projects. This workshop is designed for graduate students in all years of study and touches on research in all disciplines.
Wed., Feb. 10, 5:00 p.m. — 6:45 p.m., in MSC 2707 (Marshall Student Center)

ORAL PRESENTATION SKILLS WORKSHOP -
Facilitated by Dr. Richard Pollenz, Professor and Associate Dean
Students will be given advice on the do’s and don’ts of PowerPoint presentations as well as tips on how to present in front of various academic audiences. This workshop is also applicable for the development of job seminar presentations. This workshop is designed for graduate students in all years of study.
Tues., Feb 23, 5:00 p.m. — 6:45 p.m., in MSC 2703 (Marshall Student Center)

DEMYSTIFYING THE PUBLICATION PROCESS -
Facilitated by Dr. Richard Pollenz, Professor and Associate Dean and including USF faculty across multiple disciplines
Knowledge will be shared on the publication process for research results. Topics include: How does the process work? What does it cost? Are online journals a good place to publish? How to choose a journal? What is the role of the major professor? This workshop is designed for graduate students in all years of study and will be particularly useful for those students that have not gone through submission of a manuscript.
Wed., March 17, 5:30 p.m. — 7:15 p.m., in MSC 3711 (Marshall Student Center)

WRITING FOR SUCCESS WORKSHOP -
Facilitated by Dr. Richard Pollenz, Professor and Associate Dean with Kate Pantelides, Coordinator of the USF Writing Center
Advice will be shared on writing at the graduate level. Topics include: Basic writing strategies to get started and stay on task; Outlining; Basics of grant writing; Putting together a manuscript. This workshop is designed for graduate students in all years of study as well as postdocs.
Tues., March 23, 5:30 p.m. — 7:15 p.m., in MSC 3709 (Marshall Student Center)

WHAT IS A POSTDOC? -
Facilitated by Dr. Richard Pollenz, Professor and Associate Dean and including USF faculty across multiple disciplines
This workshop will focus on the post-doctoral experience. What exactly does a postdoc do? How do you find a position? What can you expect to be paid? How long does the position last? This workshop will also include an overview of the USF Office of Postdoctoral Affairs. This workshop is designed for advanced graduate students who are near graduation and ready to begin negotiating these types of positions.
Thurs., April. 8, 5:00 p.m. — 6:30 p.m., in BEH 318 (USF Graduate School)

FACULTY PERSPECTIVES ON ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION AND NETWORKING-
Facilitated by Dr. Richard Pollenz, Professor and Associate Dean and including USF faculty across multiple disciplines
Students will be given advice on what it is like to attend and present at an academic research conference. In addition, aspects of “networking” will be addressed. This workshop is designed for graduate students in all years of study and will be particularly useful for those students that have not presented at a major conference.
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