Graduate Studies and Research Workshop Calendar
Fall 2025 and Winter 2026

The Department of Graduate Studies and Research at Eastern Michigan University provides Professional Development opportunities for faculty and graduate students. These opportunities are designed to strengthen professional foundations by focusing on topics specific to scholarly and creative work.

These sessions are free, and we welcome you to attend as many workshops as you'd like. You can either drop in at the links below, or you can register using this [registration form](#), and we will send you a calendar invite.

Please feel free to email the Graduate School at graduate_school@emich.edu with any questions! We look forward to seeing you!

Fall 2025

Wednesday, September 24, 2025, 12:00-1:00pm: The IRB Process, with Janet Leppala
Are you planning on conducting a survey or other human subject research? If so, this workshop will give you the tools that you need to get started!
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/89136891636?pwd=7Std2PltQuvQlw6OIFzB0UgIJWyaYL.1

Thursday, September 25th, 12:00-1:00pm: SPSS 1, with Grigoris Argeros
This workshop is for faculty and graduate students who need to be updated on the statistical package SPSS, or who have never used SPSS. The menu-driven Windows version of SPSS will be demonstrated for performing common tasks such as: entering data into SPSS, creating variable and value labels, computing new variables, recording values, running selected statistical procedures, and saving data and output files. The SPSS I Workshop will cover all the basics.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/81903927926?pwd=UoaZbEBxFA0LcX4hW09zp7oDwXA5Sm.1

Thursday, October 2, 12:00-1:00pm: SPSS 2, with Grigoris Argeros
This workshop is for faculty and graduate students who want to know how to create and use syntax files for SPSS for Windows. The SPSS II Workshop will cover selected advanced features and syntax files. Syntax files are text files allowing

the user to run programs on a SPSS data file. The advantages of using syntax files rather than menu-driven systems will be discussed and demonstrated during the workshop.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/84233753940?pwd=Fdj5uVqouXheGrR1zF9b4anOuSvjCs.1

Thursday, October 9, 2025, 12:00-1:00pm: SPSS 3, with Grigoris Argeros
The third workshop in the SPSS series will allow for advanced knowledge of the software.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/85712871019?pwd=C6JV1mrN9uLH7aJ6sGnyaRQYHtLadp.1

Friday, October 10th, 11:30am-12:30pm: Demystifying ORDA, with Scott Teasdale
Do you have wonderings of what, when, who, where, and how when it comes to collaborating with ORDA? If you do, then this workshop is for you!
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/87851925936?pwd=QJtqHxxhhv65ZVxPladdleNHQeyIG3.1

Thursday, October 16, 2025, 12:00-1:00pm: R, with Grigoris Argeros
This workshop provides an introduction to R, which is a free software environment for statistical computing and graphics.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/82248258196?pwd=hYaBolX5fWBDc8cNNSas4aXtu2kig7.1

Wednesday, October 29, 2025, 12:00-1:00pm: Intro to the Graduate Research and Creative Activity Conference, with Janet Leppala
This workshop provides an introduction to the GRCAC. Topics will include, how to apply, possible types/formats of presentations, and what to expect on the day of the conference. There will also be time for Q & A.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/89874008273?pwd=zamEXT59bMqpfM4bTIxkpXaUj6bTPg.1

Friday, November 7, 2025, 12:00-1:00pm: GrantForward, with Will Spotts
This workshop is focused on finding relevant funding opportunities using the GrantForward platform.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/86239010502?pwd=m9RPszUa0vRL5CMpokCreez31NTDbl.1

Friday, November 14th, 2025, 11:30am-12:30pm, Budget Basics, with Scott Teasdale
This workshop provides an introduction to budgeting for externally funded activity.

Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/81838676482?pwd=UXzNV8A7QCIzPcGuqM21c7jyyX3xz7.1

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 12:00-1:00pm: Three-Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition at EMU, with Janet Leppala
This workshop is dedicated to one of EMU's most fun events--the 3MT! In this workshop, we will introduce the 3MT, how to apply, examples of past presentations, what to expect on the day of the competition, and more! There will be plenty of time for Q&A.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/82246234388?pwd=kQzbzG7zepNAOPm8JNmYQvr5rVKyMV.1

Winter 2026

Thursday, January 15, 2026, 12:00-1:00pm, GrantForward, with Will Spotts
This workshop is focused on finding relevant funding opportunities using the GrantForward platform.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/81296880563?pwd=eh3GzpiVfsJ8vku9a5HIsnupQc1sg6.1

Tuesday, January 27, 2026, 6:30-7:30pm: The IRB Process, with Janet Leppala
Are you planning on conducting a survey or other human subject research? If so, this workshop will give you the tools that you need to get started!
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/84727708568?pwd=pZsGvWsR8JOkYKhGbkZJ72ndiTxZLr.1

Wednesday, February 11, 2026, 12:00-1:00pm: ProQuest and Your Thesis/Dissertation, with Julia Nims
Discover how to share your research effectively through ProQuest. Learn the step-by-step submission process, understand your copyright rights as an author, and explore the pros and cons of setting an embargo on your work. Gain practical insights to ensure your thesis or dissertation is professionally presented and widely accessible, while protecting your intellectual property.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/89892702359?pwd=HxREqAqMR6vIubta0EazOZbGJ3uvKR.1

Friday, February 13, 2026, 11:30am-12:30pm: Budget Basics, with Will Spotts
This workshop provides an introduction to budgeting externally funding opportunities.
Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/84854140990?pwd=biAfM8IDzyi8FWq92pQfk8SfmYaMad.1

Friday, March 27, 2026, 11:30am-12:30pm: Demystifying ORDA, with Scott

Teasdale

Do you have wonderings of what, where, when, and how when it comes to collaborating with ORDA? If you do, then this workshop is for you!

Zoom Link: https://emich.zoom.us/j/82057036106?pwd=mPskZZ9OTTrCIw0jnGubwhuEwvgyad.1