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Graduate School Orientation

Fall 2020

Welcome to Graduate School at EMU!



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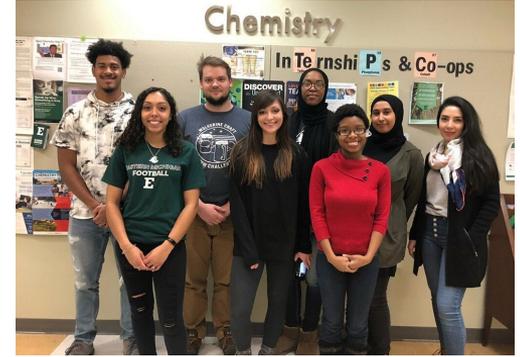
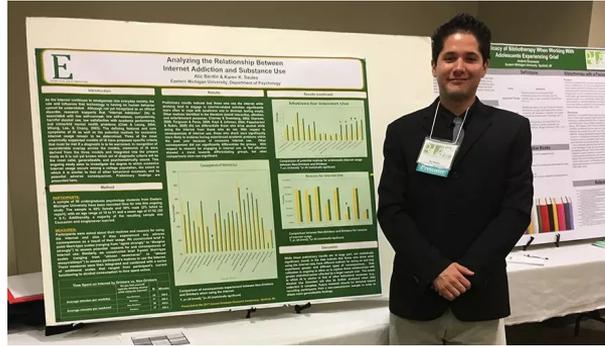


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www.emich.edu/graduate

Building a Community...who are you?



What makes an EMU graduate experience Unique?

- 200 + Graduate programs
- 170,000 Alumni Worldwide
- International students from 83 countries
- Age-Friendly & Veteran-Friendly designations
- #1 LGBTQ Friendly University in Michigan
- Top 6% of universities nationwide for growing level of research (R2 Carnegie Classification)



*If you don't know where you are going...
any road will take you there!*

Charting Your Course as a Graduate Student at EMU



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Resources at EMU*

- **Health and Wellness:**
 - Rec IM~ virtual classes too!
 - Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) are available [here](#).
- **University Writing Center**
 - Please contact Beth Sabo, the coordinator of the University Writing Center for Graduate Studies, at bsabo2@emich.edu, for assistance.
- **Disability Resource Center**
 - The Disability Resource Center resource guide for Covid-19 is available [here](#).
- **Halle Library**
 - Although the building is closed, Halle Library is remotely offering services for students at this time. More information can be found [here](#).
- **EMU Stay Smart Fall 2020** plan may be found [here](#). This webpage includes information regarding the University's plan for the Fall semester aligned with Covid-19 regulations.

Graduate Scholarships

Offered through EMU:

- Check with your home department/program
- EMU Graduate School Scholarships:
 - Barton Endowed Scholarship – up to \$4,000
 - Anton Brenner Endowed Scholarship – \$500 one-time award
 - University Scholarship – between \$500 - \$4,000 per year
 - Goldenberg and Schreiber Endowed Scholarship - \$300-\$500

*Check the Graduate School Website (under Scholarships & Aid) for specific requirements. **Deadline for Application is June 15.***

- Martin Luther King Jr.-Cesar Chavez-Rosa Parks (KCP) Future Faculty Fellows
KCP FFF Scholarship is open now and will close December 1.

Graduate Scholarships

- Research Support Funds
 - Small grants to support student research.
 - Can be used to purchase research supplies, materials, and equipment, or travel to research sites for data collection.

More information:

<https://www.emich.edu/graduate/scholarships-aid/scholarships-fellowships/index.php>



Non EMU Graduate Scholarships

External to EMU:

- Check with Financial Aid: <http://www.emich.edu/finaid/scholarships.php>
- Look on external websites (e.g. FastWeb)
- ***Finding Funding*** workshops are offered periodically during the academic year

Graduate Assistantships (GA)

- Hiring and job postings through EMU Human Resources
 - Time Commitment per Week: 20 hours (100% appointment)
 - Tuition Waiver Credit Hours: Up to 9 per semester (100% appointment)
 - Stipends vary depending on the department and responsibilities
 - Stipends paid every two weeks and deposited on your Eagle Card
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- Information:
<http://www.emich.edu/hr/working/employment/graduate-student.php>
 - Search GA positions through “Jobs”: www.emich.edu/jobs

Charting Your Course as a Graduate Student at EMU



Know the Expectations

Program Policies/Student Handbook

(Accessible through your department)

- Program Advising
- Program of Study

Graduate School Policies

University Code of Conduct



Program of Study (POS)

- Created with you and your advisor
- Your roadmap! Lists all courses required for degree completion (sequence, timing)
- POS needs to be submitted by the advisor to the Office of Records and Registration
- If have a Conditional Admission:
 - Must remove — communicate with your advisor

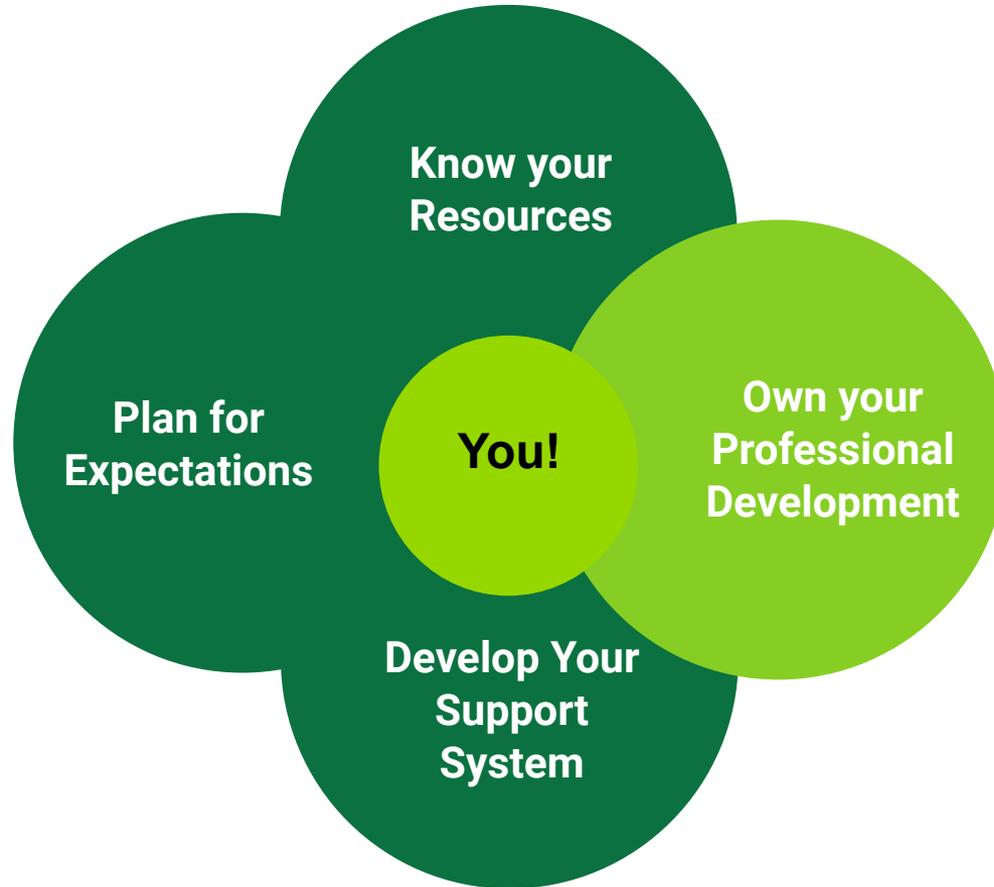
Graduate School Policies

- Read your Program and Graduate School Handbook!
- Be familiar with Graduate School Policies~ they apply to you:
 - Time to Degree
 - Probation
 - Repeating Courses
 - Incomplete or In progress grades
 - Withdrawing from courses
 - Policies that govern dissertation/thesis
- Seek the support of your Advisor

Policies Governing Graduate Experience

- Graduate School Policies
 - Check our website under “About”  “Policies”
 - <https://www.emich.edu/graduate/documents/policies1920.pdf?v=2019-08-08T13:25:11Z>
 - *See department for PROGRAM SPECIFIC POLICIES
- Graduate School Documents & Forms
 - <https://www.emich.edu/graduate/about/forms/index.php>
- Thesis and Dissertation
 - <https://www.emich.edu/graduate/academics/dissertation-thesis/index.php>
- Dates and Deadlines
 - <http://www.emich.edu/registrar/calendars/datesanddeadlines.php>

Charting Your Course as a Graduate Student at EMU



Own Your Professional Development

- View yourself as a **leader** in your educational pursuit and in your chosen profession.
- **Engage intellectually:** Pursue your degree for academic gain and advancement of inquiry and critical thought.
- **Network!** Advisor, Mentors, and Peers will help you advance.
- Hone your **focus:** Thesis, Dissertation, Area of Specialization, etc.
- Embrace and promote core values of **respect, dignity and worth of all people.**
- Enter this experience from a place of **cultural humility**, a desire to understand different cultures, ethnicities and interests that will lead to a global, inclusive world.

Graduate Research Conference

Opportunity to showcase your research:

- Oral Presentations
- Arts Front
- Poster Sessions
- 3-Minute Thesis Competition

* *Best Abstract Contest*

* *People's Choice Awards for posters*

Save the Date!
Friday, March 19, 2021

Workshops Offered to Prepare:

- Academically Speaking
- Prezi
- Poster Design
- Research Compliance
- Finding Funding
- Statistical Support & Experimental Design

Charting Your Course for Journey as a Graduate Student at EMU



**Develop Your
Support
System**

Family

Graduate
School

Friends

Program
Faculty &
Staff

Other
Professionals

Peer
Colleagues

Welcome to our Graduate Student Panel!



Dr. LaMarcus D. Howard
PhD graduate from Educational
Leadership Program;
Associate Director, Disability
Resource Center

Nicole Di Ponio
Master student in
Occupational Therapy



Daicia Price, LMSW
BSW and MSW Alumnae
PhD student in Educational
Studies/ Urban Education
King Chavez Parks Future
Faculty Fellow

Macy Oteri
Master student in Orthotics
and Prosthetics



Take that Next Step in your Graduate Road to Success:

- ❑ Meet with your program advisor and develop your program of study
- ❑ Access the Graduate School Canvas through your Dashboard
- ❑ Become competent in the technology you will need for your learning (e.g. Zoom, email, Canvas)
- ❑ Develop a schedule/routine to include all of your responsibilities (e.g. school, work, family)
- ❑ Build your support network → at EMU and outside of EMU
- ❑ Practice good self care!

Best Wishes for a Successful Graduate Program at EMU!

FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

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RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

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