Dear New Graduate Students,

Welcome to the Stanford family! We’re excited to bring our gorgeous campus and everything it has to offer to you through New Graduate Student Orientation (NGSO). The opportunities you have as a graduate student here are endless and can be overwhelming, but that’s why we’re here. NGSO is your introduction to the vast network of academic, career, health, athletic, social and recreational resources at your disposal at Stanford. We have been working with our amazing partners across campus to put together an exhaustive roster of events and resources and we encourage you to attend as many of them as you can. From swimming to culture centers, trivia nights to grad school strategies, we have you covered! At the events, you will be welcomed by our knowledgeable team of event organizers, graduate life deans, student volunteers, and campus staff and we are happy to take any and all of your questions. This brochure is also available online at ngso.stanford.edu, where we will post relevant updates. Come join us!

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Helpful Websites

Vice Provost for Graduate Education
vpge.stanford.edu

Gateway for New Graduate Students
vpge.stanford.edu/ngrosgateway

Graduate Life Office
glo.stanford.edu

Graduate Student Programming Board
gspb.stanford.edu

Graduate Student Council
gsc.stanford.edu

Graduate Events
events.stanford.edu

The NGSO Coordinators and Graduate Life Office (GLO) would like to thank the Graduate Student Council (GSC), the Graduate Student Programming Board (GSPB), the Stanford Alumni Association (SAA), and the Vice Provost for Graduate Education (VPGE) for their financial support and continued commitment to enhancing Stanford graduate student life.
Schedule of Events

**NEW GRAD STUDENT KICK-OFF LUNCH.** Enjoy a free lunch while meeting fellow grad students and local alumni. This lunch is hosted by the Stanford Alumni Association who will provide resources for you to access the Alumni Directory and other valuable tools available to you as a Stanford student. Free travel mugs for all who attend. 9/17 11:30 am, Alumni Center, 326 Gavilan Street. Registration requested: https://saas.lunch.eventbrite.com

**THE GRAD 101 REGISTRATION**. Come hear a panel of our fellow grad students talk about what life at Stanford is really like. We will cover a wide range of topics such as food, housing, transportation, social life, etc. Come with questions for the Q&A session! 9/17 2:00 pm, 9/18 11:00 am, 9/19 11:00 am, Havens Hall, Room 475 (GSC Pod).

**GSC WELCOME KICK-OFF LUNCH.** Kick off your Stanford journey with a free pizza dinner hosted by your GSC representatives. 9/17 5:00 pm, 4 Comstock Circle, Kennedy Lawn.

**YOUR HEALTH AT STANFORD.** Learn about food, housing, transportation, social life, etc. Come with questions for the Q&A session! 9/17 9:30 am, 9/18 9:30 am, 9/20 9:30 am, Havens Hall, Room 475 (GSC Pod).

**GREEN LIBRARY TOUR.** Find out about unique circulating and locked stacks collections in art, architecture, and design; art holdings; scanning and design stations; and quiet places to study. 9/19 11:00 am and 1:30 pm, 353 Rath Way, 2nd floor of the McCumber Library. Tour has limited capacity. Please RSVP at https://geo.gv/gG0C3 by 9/17. Selected students will be notified via email. 9/19 1:00 pm, Serrinsite Road, right off campus drive.

**NEP CAREER EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE (TWO LOCATIONS).** Get a head start on your career planning! Meet BEAM Career Coaches to learn about their innovative services and resources. MS Engineering and Earth, Energy, & Environmental Sciences Students: 2 orientation sessions: 1) 4:00pm-5:20pm. 2) 5:30pm-6:50pm (NOTE: the last 30 minutes of each session BEAM’s Engineering coaching team will walk you through building a stand out resume). Location: Havens Hall, GCC (750 Escondido Road). All other MS & PhD Students: Stanford Career Education: 30 minute orientations take place 4:00-4:30, 4:45-5:15, 5:30-6:00. All doctoral students: Orientations every 45 minutes - 4:00 - 6:15 PM. Location: BEAM Career Education (536 Student Walk). Professional staff will facilitate interactive discussions and role-plays, and provide information about campus resources to empower you to help create a culture of respect at Stanford. 9/21 11:30 am, Havens Hall, GCC (750 Escondido Road).

**AMERICAN FOOTBALL 101.** Learn about the sport of American Football in this hands-on and behind-the-scenes experience, exclusive to graduate students. Participate in actual practice drills led by former Stanford Football players and pick up your 2017 Red Zone t-shirt before the start of the season! Be sure to wear comfortable athletic clothes, and tennis/shrinking shoes, and bring your shuttle card to pick up your free shirt! 9/18 6:00 PM Football Practice Field.

**LV-PGE OPEN HOUSE.** Meet the people behind the acronym! Drop in and learn various ways PVE can enrich your academic experiences. From our extensive professional development opportunities to our funding for student projects to enhance your intellectual community or advance diversity on campus, we’re expanding what’s possible in your graduate education! 9/18 8:30 am, Building 310, Escandior Mnt. Hall.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE WEEK WITH LEG.** The Learning Experience Group (LEG) will provide information on how to deal with issues that many graduate students face such as procrastination, structuring long term projects, and time management. 9/19 9:30 am and 9/20 10:30 am, Havens Hall, GCC.

**ART & ARCHITECTURE LIBRARY TOUR.** Visit the Art & Architecture Library the McMurtry Building! Learn about unique circulating and locked stacks collections in art, architecture, and design; art holdings; scanning and design stations; and quiet places to study. 9/19 11:00 am and 1:30 pm, 353 Rath Way, 2nd floor of the Art & Art History building.

**ENERGY CENTER TOUR.** Get an in-depth look at Stanford’s innovative new Central Energy Facility, the main component of the Stanford Energy System Innovations project that transformed the university’s energy supply from a 100% fossil fuel-based system, to an electrically-powered heat recovery system. Tour has limited capacity. Please RSVP at https://geo.gv/gG0C3 by 9/17. Selected students will be notified via email. 9/19 1:00 pm, Serrinsite Road, right off campus drive.

**ENERGY CENTER TOUR.** Explore Stanford’s unique interdisciplinary environment. 9/20 4:00 pm, Sequoia Way, Green Earth Sciences Courtyard.

**BREAKING BUCKS AND SHAKING MISCONCEPTIONS.** Life is full of bubbles: your department, school, culture, etc. We all have difficulties at times shaking our misconceptions and stepping into other bubbles. Come join us to shake common misconceptions, pop some bubbles and make new friends in the process. Lunch provided. Sponsored by the Graduate Student Council, Diversity Advocacy Community and the D-Gen Office. 9/20 12:00 pm, Havens Hall, GCC.

**VADEN MEET & GREET.** Drop by the information table outside Vaden and get acquainted with Vaden’s 3rd floor and local grad alums. This lunch is hosted by the Stanford Alumni Association who will provide free travel mugs for all who attend. 9/20 12:00 pm, Vaden Hall, Long Family Commons.

**CAREER EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE.** If you need a disability-related accommodation or wheelchair access information, please email schwartzm stanford.edu one week prior to the event.