

New Graduate Student Orientation

Welcome!

FSU | THE GRADUATE
SCHOOL



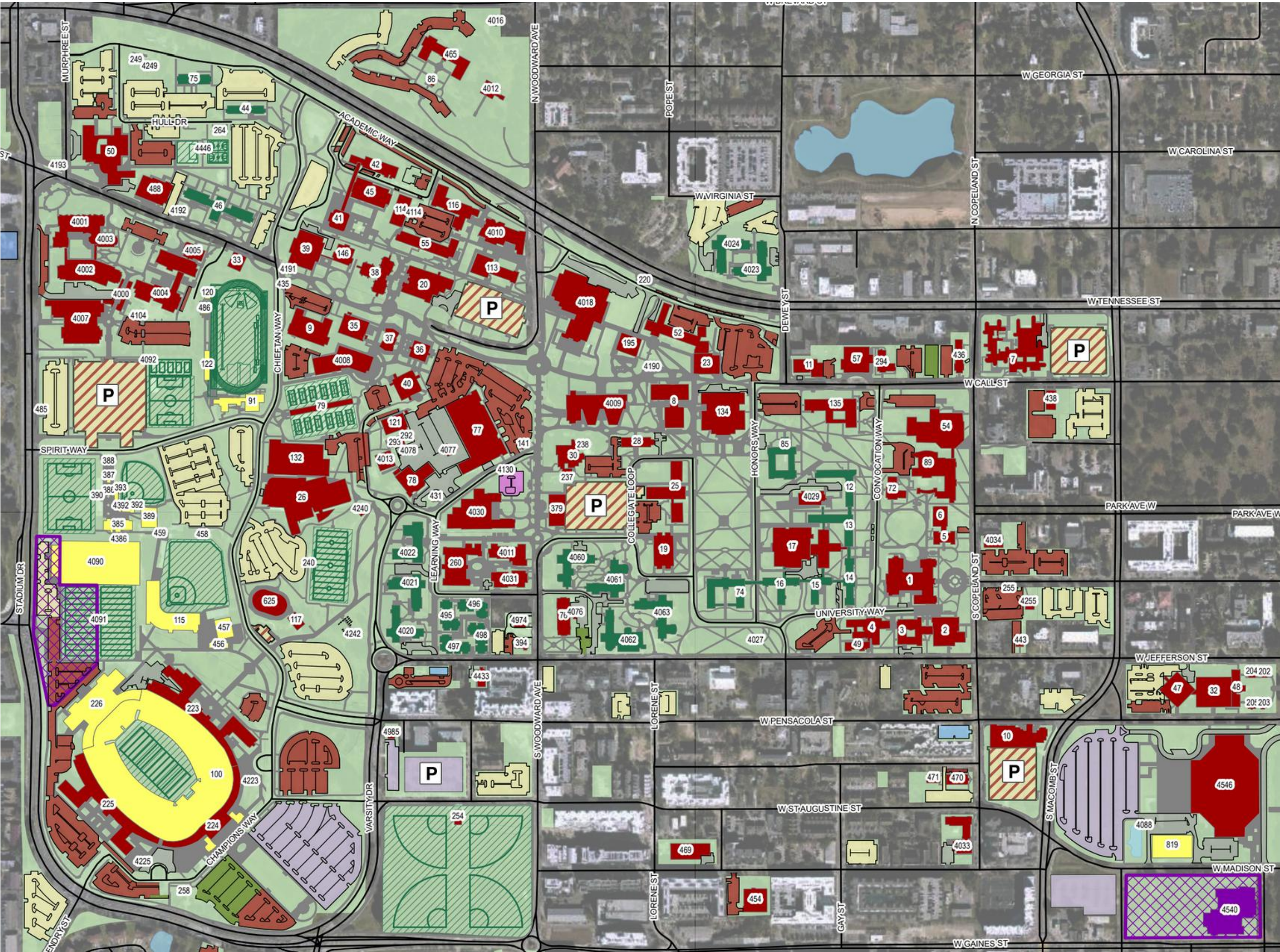


About FSU



- **R1 Designation**
- **63 Doctoral Programs**
- **107 Master's Programs**
- **6 Specialist Programs**
- **17 Colleges**
- **Graduate students make up approximately 24% of total enrollment**

Campus



Graduate School Locations



Main Office

Westcott Building



Graduate Admissions

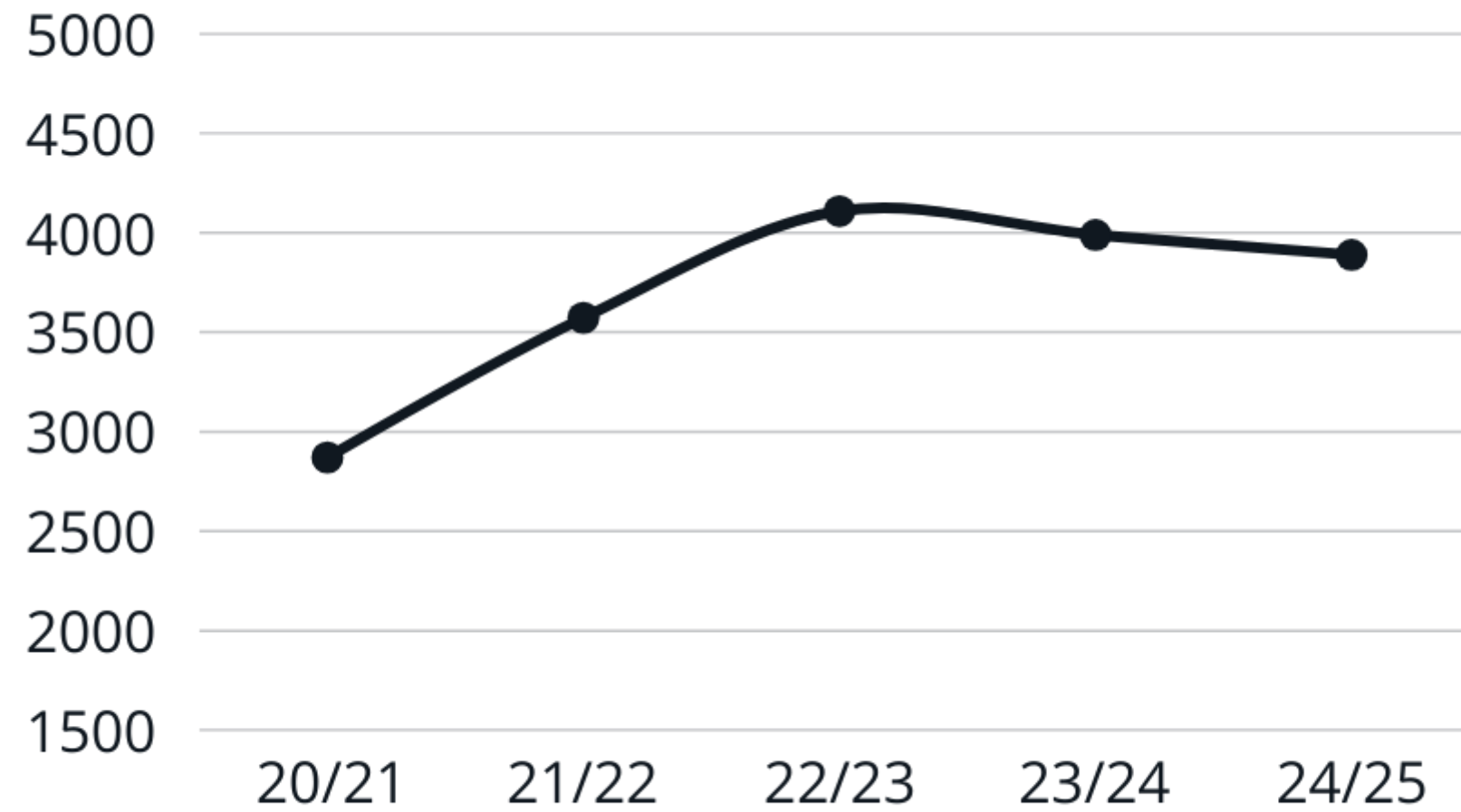
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Office of Graduate
Fellowships & Awards

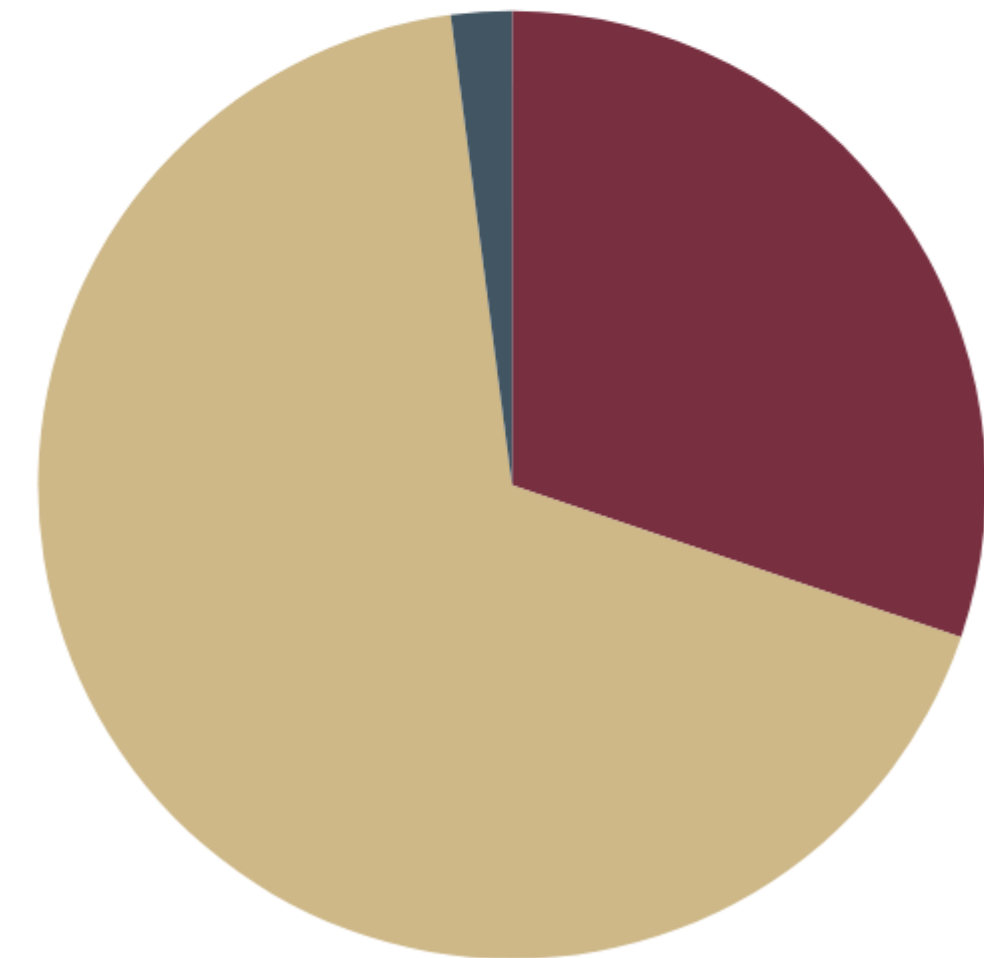
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Graduate Degrees Awarded



#'s of Graduate Students

- Doctoral
- Master's
- Specialist

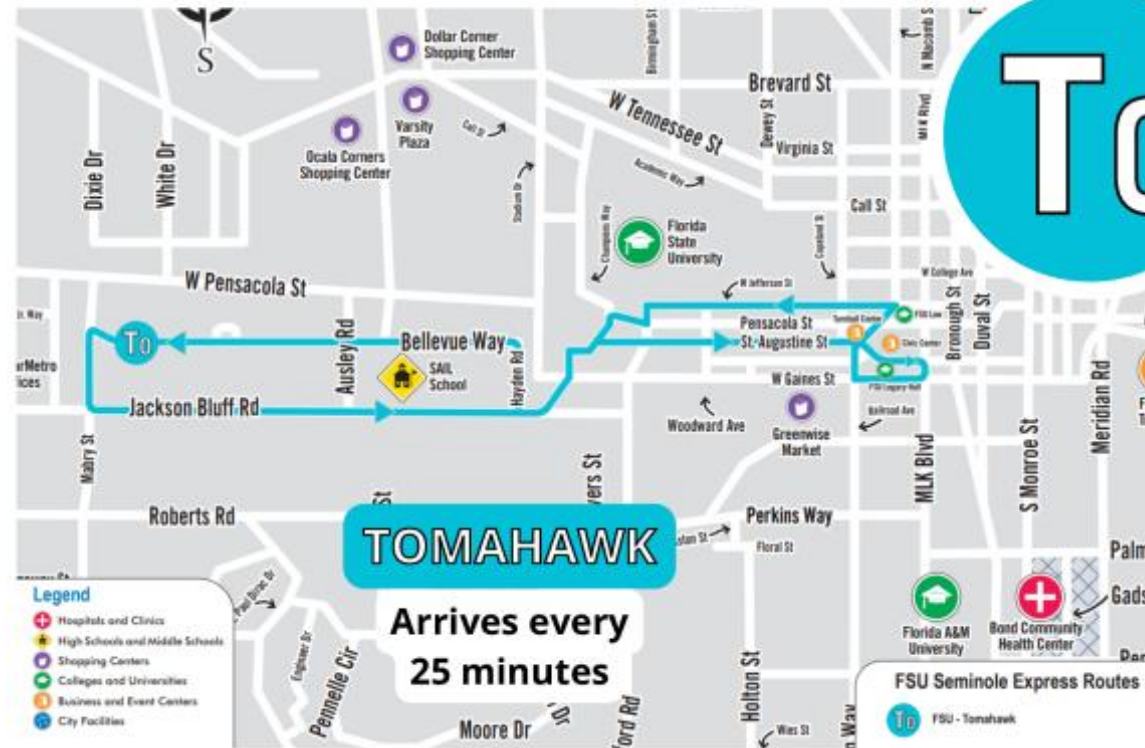


Getting Around

FSU | SEMINOLE EXPRESS

JAN 2026 Route Updates

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New Points of Interest:

- FSU Legacy Hall
- FSU College of Law
- Turnbull Conference Center
- Donald L. Tucker Civic Center
- Gaines Street businesses



New Points of Interest:

- FSU Legacy Hall
- Turnbull Conference Center
- Donald L. Tucker Civic Center
- St. Augustine and Gaines Street residences and businesses
- FSU Main Campus Fields
- FSU Childcare/Early Learning



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New Points of Interest:

- FSU Legacy Hall
- FSU College of Law
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- Donald L. Tucker Civic Center
- Gaines Street businesses



TRANSPORTATION.FSU.EDU/BUSTRACKER



FSU | TRANSPORTATION & PARKING SERVICES

FSU | COLLEGE OF BUSINESS



Visit [Talgov.com/StarMetro](https://www.talgov.com/StarMetro) for additional bus route information.

Our Mission

To advance the quality and integrity of graduate education

Goal 1

Assist graduate students
in academic and policy
matters

Goal 2

Provide broad oversight
and ensure
implementation of
policies pertaining to
graduate education

Goal 3

Collaborate with other
campus units to advance
graduate education

Goal 4

Advance graduate
education best practices
at FSU

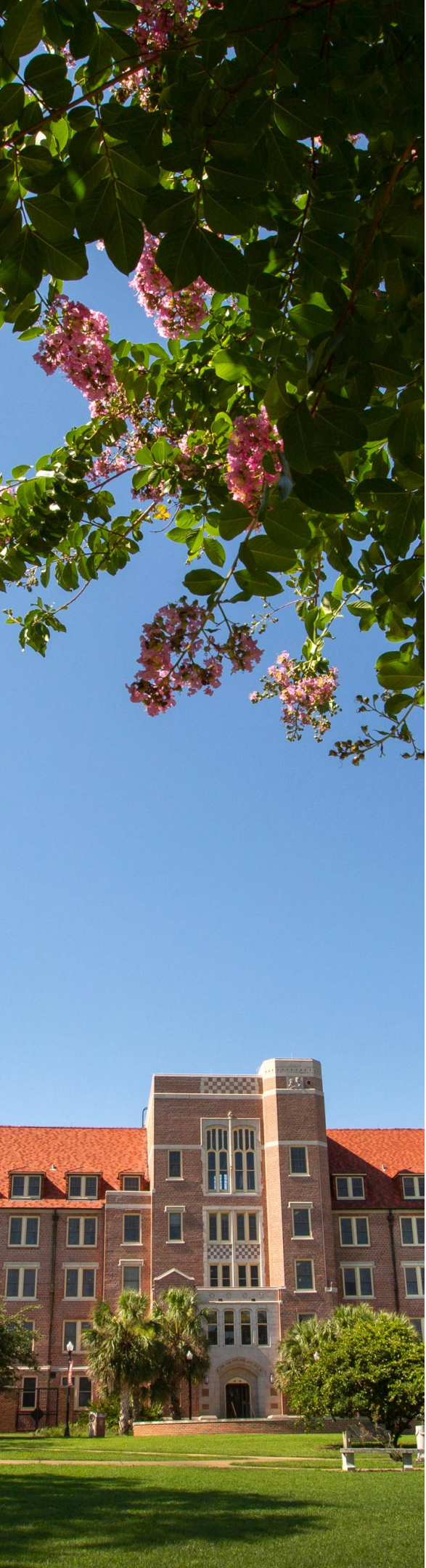
Important takeaway from today





Important Sites & Policies

01. [Graduate Bulletin](#)
02. [Student Handbook](#)
03. [Registrar Forms](#)
04. [Academic Calendar](#)
05. [Office of Student Finance](#)

A decorative image on the left side of the slide. The top portion shows green leaves and clusters of small pink flowers against a clear blue sky. The bottom portion shows a large, multi-story brick building with many windows, likely a university building, set against a green lawn.

Important Resources

01. [FSU Alerts](#)

02. [Graduate Student Resource Center](#)

03. [University Health Services](#)

04. [Reading-Writing Center](#)

05. [Career Center](#)



Advice for 1st Term

- Familiarize yourself with key offices
- Know where resources are located
- Stay informed
- Immerse yourself into your program
- Build a routine early to reduce stress
- Enjoy the campus, events, all the city has to offer



Success in Graduate Programs

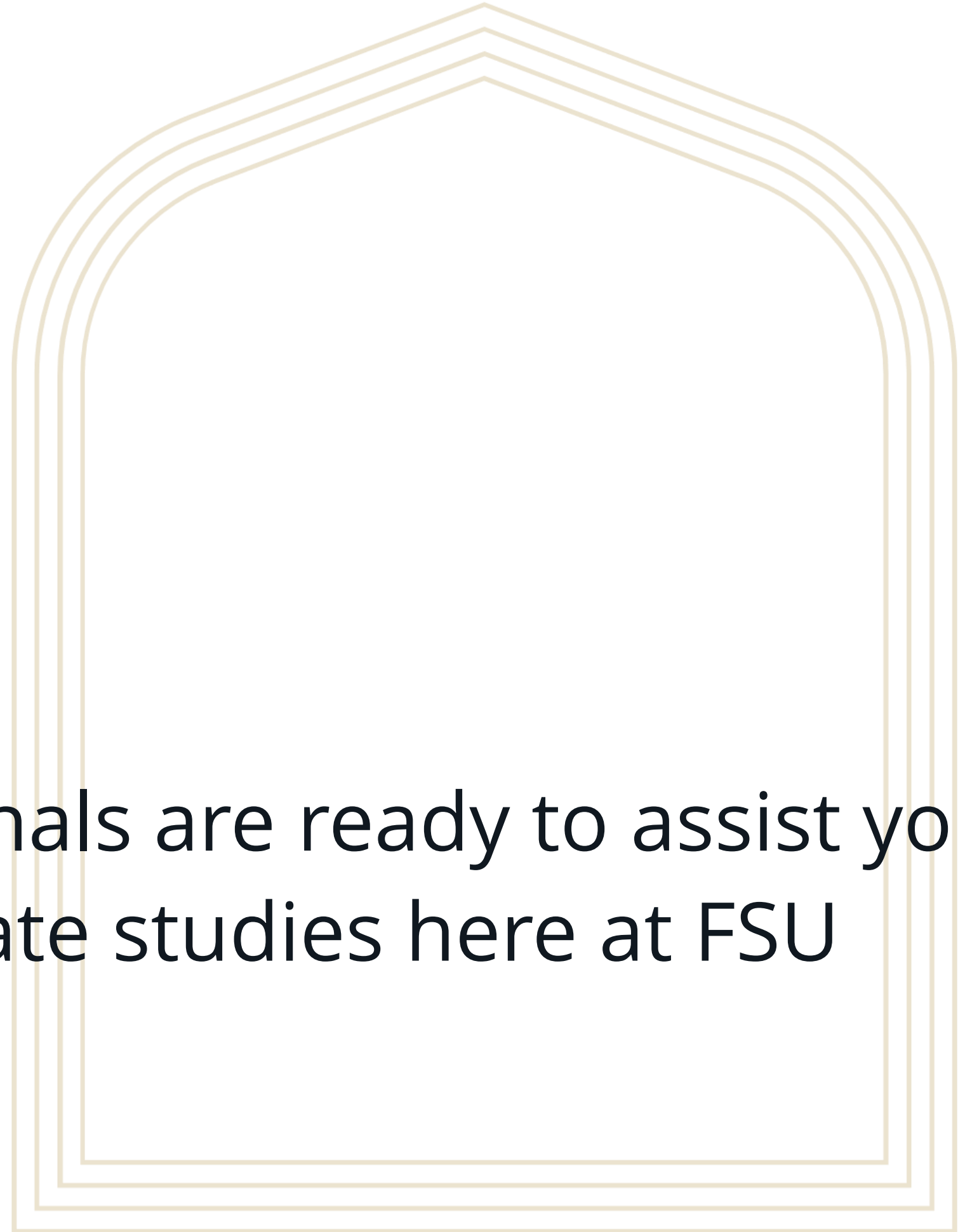
Embrace your Community of Scholars.

Graduate School is not a simple extension of your undergraduate experience.

Find the right mentor and finish your program.

Our Team

Over 2 dozen professionals are ready to assist you throughout your graduate studies here at FSU



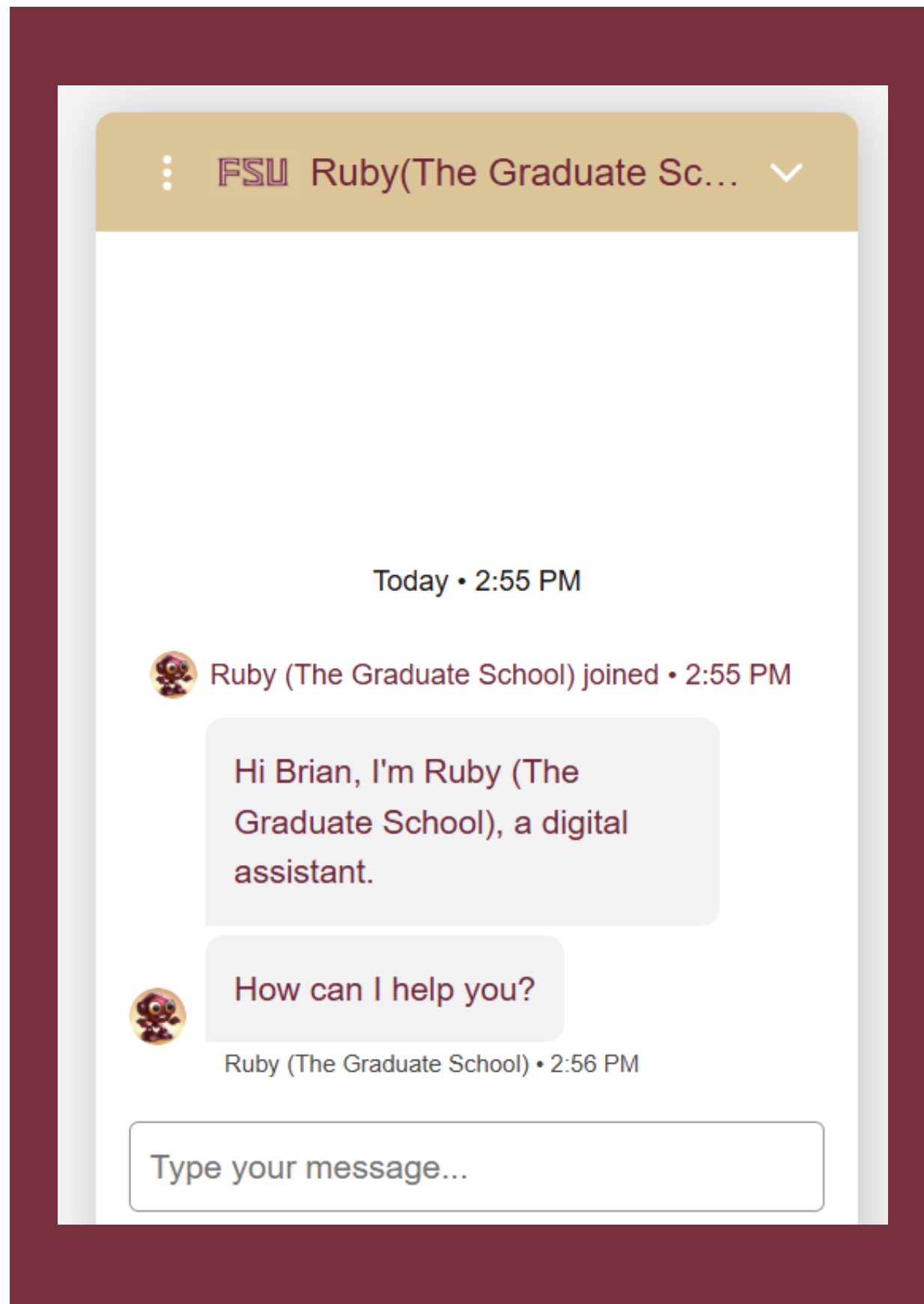


www.gradschool.fsu.edu

- Graduate student forms
- Information and links to:
 - Policies
 - Tuition waivers
 - Health insurance subsidy
 - Graduate School fellowships & awards
 - Professional development
 - External fellowships & awards
 - Thesis and dissertation

Ruby

- www.gradschool.fsu.edu
- Has more than 400 answers to questions for current graduate students
 - Tuition waivers
 - Health Insurance Subsidy
 - Assistantships
 - Manuscript Clearance



Our Program for Today



Speakers

- FSU Police Department
- University Health Services
- Graduate Student Resource Center
- Congress of Graduate Students
- Center for the Advancement of Teaching
- University Libraries
- Career Center
- Student Ombuds Office

Florida State University Police Department Welcome Students



Jason Trumbower ■ Chief of Police

Shane Porter ■ Deputy Chief of Police

Greg Washington ■ Captain of Operations

Richard Wooten ■ Captain of Criminal Investigations & Intel

Florida State University Police Department



Safety Matters at FSU!!

The Best Way to Stay Safe

- **Use Common Sense and Always Be Aware of Your Surroundings.**



- **Take Advantage of the Security and Safety Resources Available at FSU.**

Florida State University Police Department



How to Contact FSU Police

- **EMERGENCY- Call 911**
- **Non-Emergency- 850-644-1234**
- **REPORT.FSU.EDU**
- **Silent Witness Crime Report**

Florida State University Police Department



**EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT**
A DIVISION OF FSUPD



**WEATHER
ALERT**



FSU ALERT

Emergency Notification & Warning System

Emergency Notifications on Campus

- FSU Alerts Page (alerts.fsu.edu)
- Indoor and Outdoor Sirens
- SMS Text Messages
- E-mail
- SeminoleSAFE Mobile App
- Desktop Computer Alerts
- Facebook and Twitter

Florida State University Police Department



RUN HIDE FIGHT

In many cases, there is no pattern or method to the selection of victims by an active shooter, and these situations are, by their very nature, unpredictable and evolve quickly.



Security Enhancements & Lockdown Capabilities

- Card access control/lockdown
- Easy lockdown button in dispatch
- Panic buttons
- Lock/unlock swivel on deadbolts
- QR code inside rooms

EMERGENCY ACTION GUIDES

Protective Actions for Responding to Specific Hazards

SCAN HERE:



Or go to:

FSU
PUBLIC SAFETY

TakeAction.fsu.edu



IN AN EMERGENCY CALL: 911

FSU POLICE: 850-644-1234

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R.A.D.

Rape Aggression Defense System

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Rape Aggression Defense



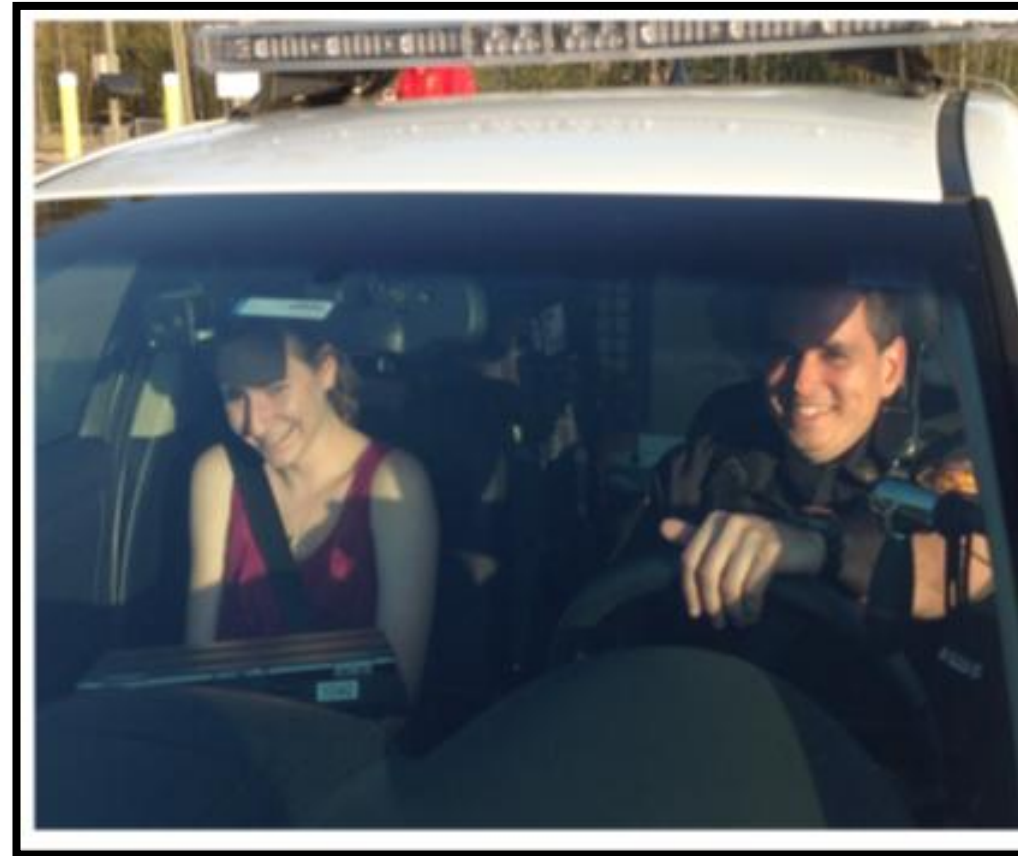
Self-defense tactics and techniques for women. The R.A.D. system is a comprehensive, women-only course of instruction that begins with awareness, prevention, risk, and risk avoidance. It then progresses to teaching hands-on self-defense training, but it is not a martial arts program.

Special Requests & for college credit

Florida State University Police Department



Citizens Police Academy



The Florida State University Police Department saw a need to provide an “inside view” of law enforcement operations to our campus community. We developed a curriculum and invited campus members (Faculty, Staff and Students) to join us for the Citizen’s Police Academy.

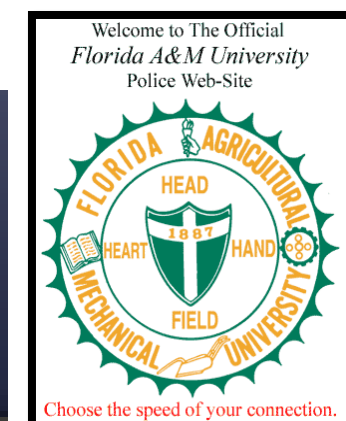
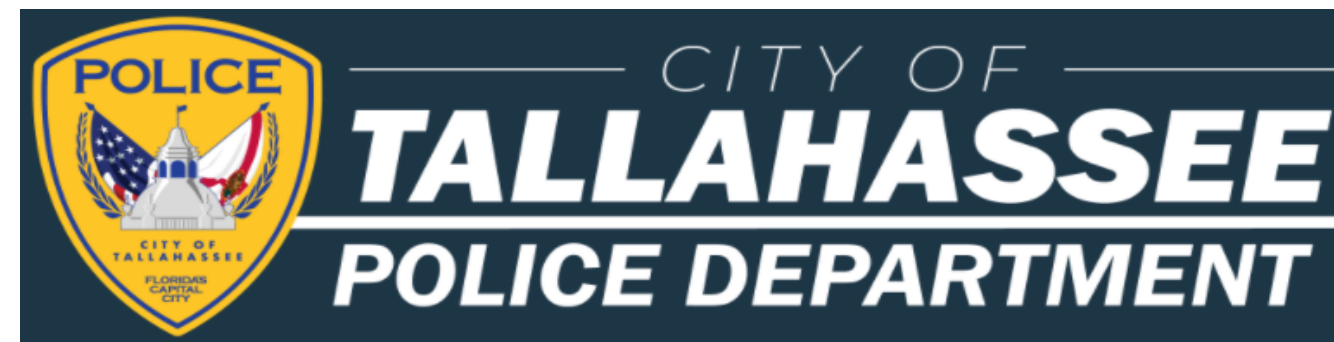
Local Law Enforcement Cooperation

Open Lines of Communication and Information

Sharing with:

Local, State, Federal & RTCC

Florida State University Police Department



Capital Region Real-Time Crime Center (CRRTCC)

Florida State
University Police
Department

collaborative initiative between FSUPD, TPD, and
LCSO analysts that proactively share information
and support law enforcement response to enhance
the safety of officers and the community.



Florida State University Police Department

DUI Enforcement



The Tragic Cost of DUI – Lives Lost



Florida State University Police Department



Avoid Dangerous behavior!!

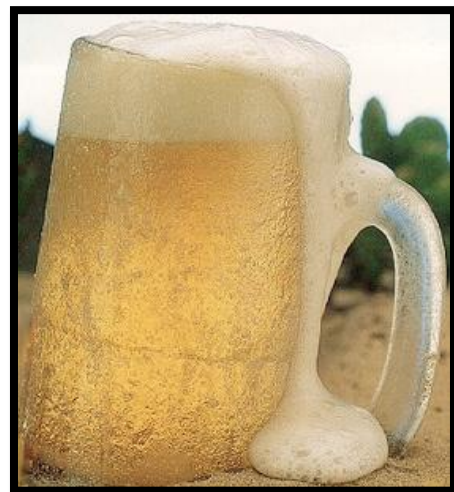
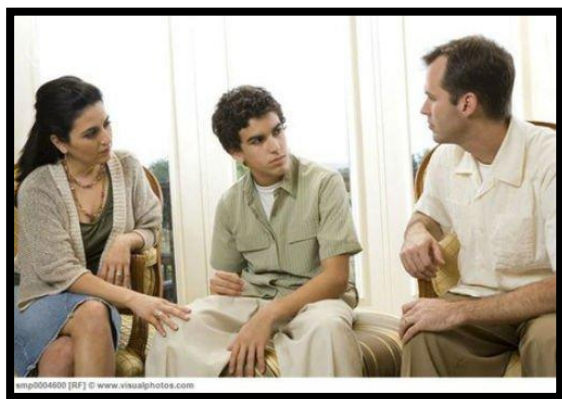


Make GOOD Decisions!!!

Florida State University Police Department

Let's Have a
Serious Discussion!!

Bad Decisions



The FSUPD Website

Important Information & Resources

Florida State University Police Department

The FSUPD Website
www.police.fsu.edu



Safety Begins with YOU!

Florida State
University Police
Department



if you
SEE
something | **SAY**
something™

The logo for Florida State University (FSU) is displayed in a stylized, maroon-colored font. It consists of the letters 'F', 'S', and 'U' in a bold, blocky typeface. A vertical line is positioned to the right of the 'S'.

**UNIVERSITY
HEALTH SERVICES**
DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Graduate Student Orientation

Hours of Operation & Location

- Monday through Friday
- Appointments available 8:00AM – 4:00PM
 - Appointment-based system
 - Appointments can be scheduled online, by phone, or in-person
 - Staffing available until 5:00PM
- Located at the Mary B. Coburn Health & Wellness Center



Appointments available for:

Mental Health

Well and preventative physicals (athletic, band, women's annual exams

Upper Respiratory Infections

Women's Care (full-service gyn care with the exception of OB care)

Virtual Services that are amenable to telemedicine

Routine follow-ups and Chronic medical care

Physical Therapy

Diagnostic Imaging (x-rays, ultrasounds)

Immunizations

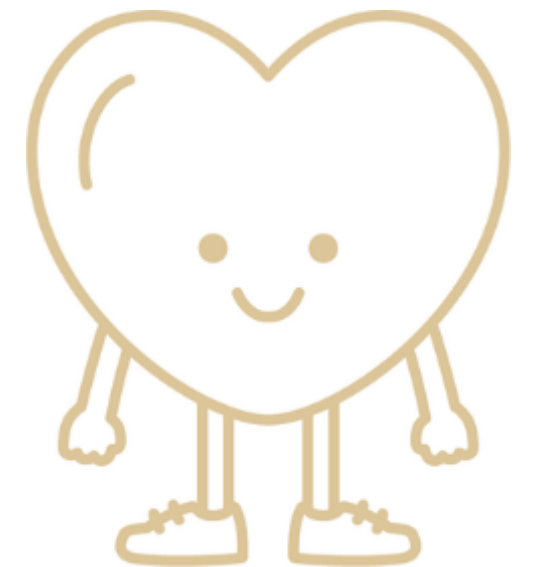
Allergy Injections

Lab Services

Medication Refills

STI Testing

Acute illness and injury



Why Choose University Health Services for Your Student's Care?

- **Convenience:** Located on campus, easily accessible, saving students time and effort in seeking medical care.
- **Specialized Services:** We provide services tailored to the specific needs of college students, including mental health support, sexual health education, and stress management.
- **Integrated Care:** We coordinate with other campus resources, such as academic advisors, food pantry, case management and counseling services, to provide holistic support.
- **Familiarity:** We specialize in student health and student-specific health issues, creating a more comfortable and understanding environment.



Returning Patients Can Access the

PATIENT PORTAL

Get lab results



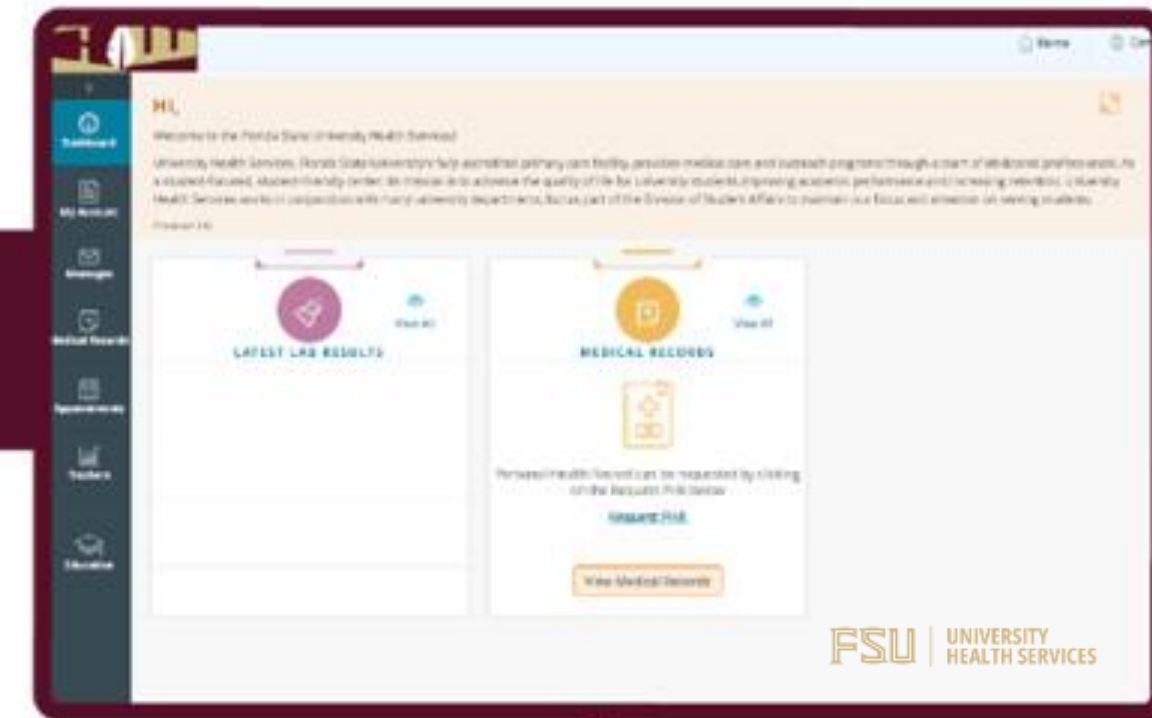
Request medication refills



Communicate with us



View current, future and past appointments



Online Scheduling



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CENTER FOR HEALTH ADVOCACY & WELLNESS

UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES

- Nutrition consultations
- HIV testing
- Smart Choices: Alcohol/drug harm reduction program
- Green Dot Bystander Intervention
- Healthy Noles Peer Education
- Power-based personal violence prevention



Other Services available in the Health & Wellness Center

Morgan Dental and Quest are independent vendors of the university that provide services to the greater FSU community including students, faculty, and staff.

For questions about insurance coverage, please contact the vendor directly.



Quest
Diagnostics™

After-hours System of Care

uhs.fsu.edu/health-care/after-hours-care

CVS Virtual Care®

Talk to a doctor or therapist by phone or video with CVS.

From sniffles to stress, and everything in between, we've got you covered. Your Aetna® Student Health plan includes access to CVS Virtual Care®, so you can schedule a virtual visit quickly and easily for the support you need, when you need it.

Download the App - iOS - Google Play

Call (855) 870-5858

Other After-Hours Care Options Include:

Walk-in Clinics

Urgent Care

Emergency Room

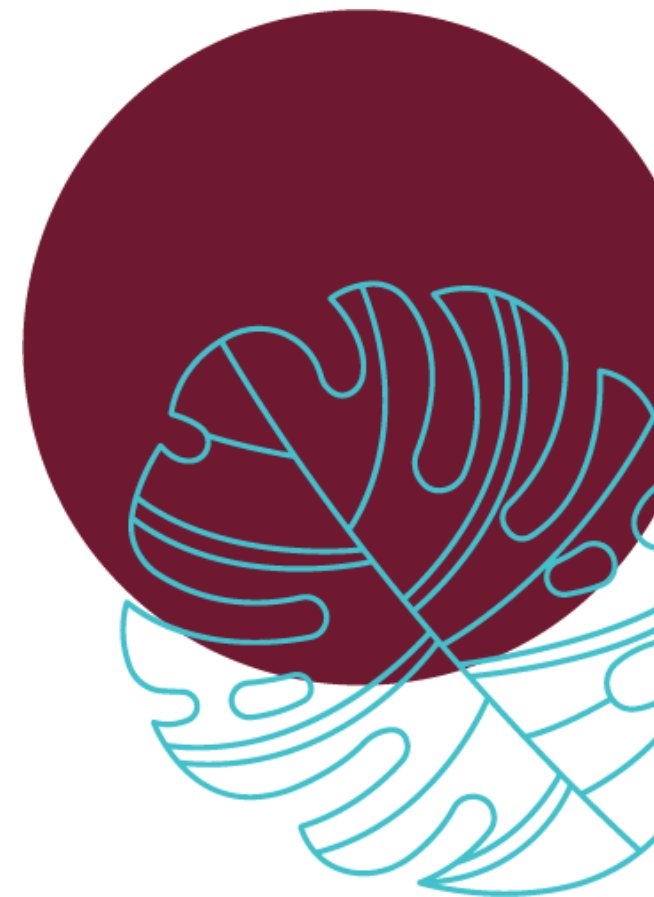
Pharmacy



- **No onsite pharmacy**
- **CVS located near campus (West Pensacola Street location)**
- **Several nearby pharmacy options available**
 - <https://uhs.fsu.edu/health-care/local-pharmacy-info>
- **Some pharmacies offer specific reduced cost medications**

Insurance & Billing

- The Student Health Fee helps ensure students have access to affordable primary care, emergency response, health education, and campus-wide public health services that keep them healthy and supported throughout their time at Florida State
- We bill insurance for most services; co-pays are not collected at the visit
- Any remaining balance after insurance is billed to your student account
- We are in-network with many insurance plans. If your plan is out-of-network, charges not covered by your insurance will be posted to your student account.
- Out-of-network for AvMed and Tricare Prime
- Health insurance is required; a university plan is available
- Bridge of care options
- Emergency Room care is for true emergencies and is not a substitute for primary or specialty care



Your Go-To for Insurance & Immunization Information



Have you met the requirements for insurance and immunizations?

To view your student insurance status, use the Check Your Status box below. To waive the Student Health Insurance Plan by submitting private insurance, use the Opt Out box.

[View insurance waiver deadlines here.](#)

CHECK YOUR STATUS

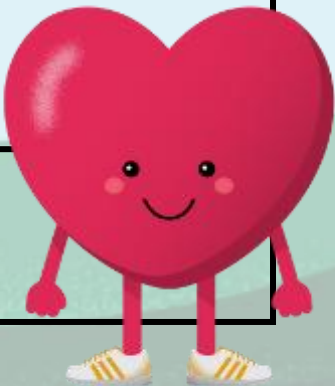
OPT OUT



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University Health Services Student Insurance Rates 2026/2027

	Domestic Student	International Student
Annual: Aug. 15 – Aug. 14	\$2,758	\$2,797
Fall: Aug. 15 – Dec. 31	\$1,050	\$1,065
Spring/Summer: Jan. 1 – Aug. 14	\$1,708	\$1,732
*Summer: May 10 – Aug. 14	\$718	\$728



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Student Health Insurance: Key Dates & Communications

- *This is an annual requirement
- *Student-athletes will complete this each semester

Term	Waive/Enroll	Late Waive/Enroll	Charges Post	Appeal Ends
Fall	June 3 - August 15	August 16 - September 15	July 15	September 15
Spring/Summer	October 11 - January 1	January 2 - January 15	December 1	January 15
Summer	February 20 - May 15	April 16 - May 15	May 1	May 31

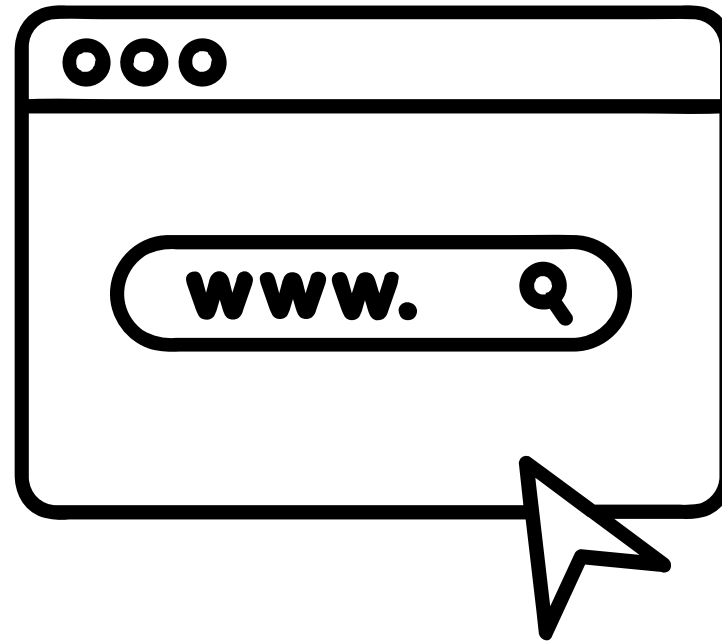
Students receive ongoing reminders starting at admission, with increased communication before key enrollment and waiver deadlines sent to their **FSU email**, as well as through social media and campus newsletters.

Get Involved

UHS offers several ways for students to become involved.
To learn more, visit uhs.fsu.edu/getinvolved



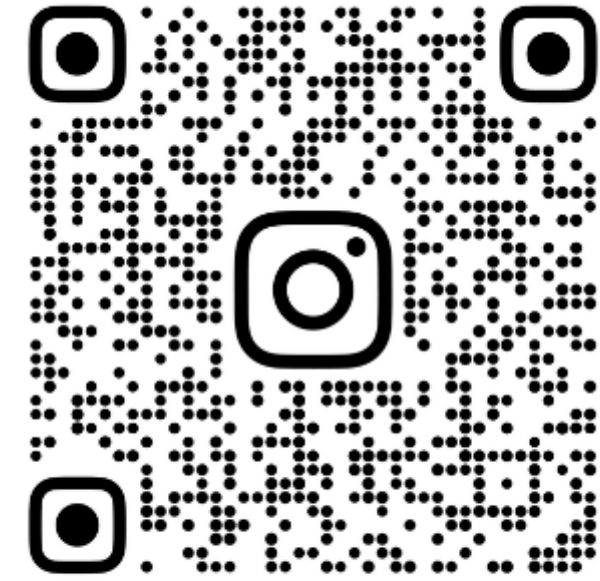
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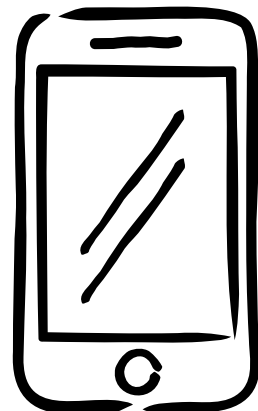
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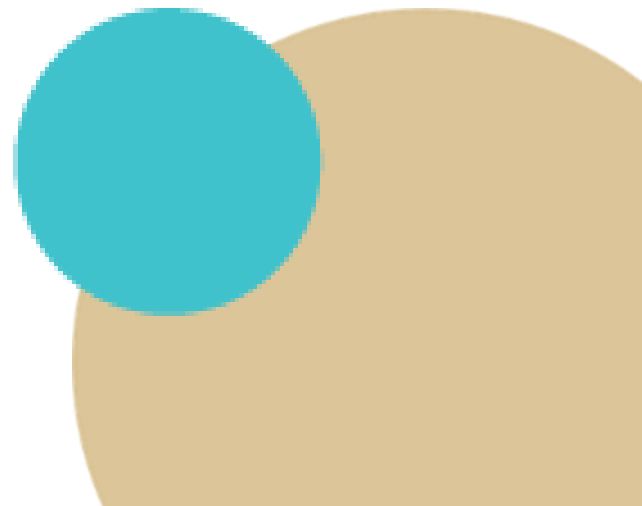
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Graduate Student Success

FSU





Who we are

- 01. Graduate Student Resource Center**
- 02. Office of Graduate Fellowships and Awards**
- 03. Center for Intensive English Studies**



Graduate Student Resource Center (GSRC)

- A hub connecting graduate students to campus and community resources
- Provide **programming** and **networking** to support graduate student success

Office of Graduate Fellowships & Awards (OGFA)

- Assists students with identifying and applying for external fellowships, scholarships, grants, and awards
- Workshops cover the basics of applying, and consultations offer in-depth advice





Center for Intensive English Studies (CIES)

- CEA-accredited English language school within FSU
- English for Academic Purposes (EAP) provides classes, workshops, and support in Academic English, Professional Communication, and navigating the cultural landscape of Florida State University
- EAP for TA English Certification

Why do you need resources?



To help
manage
ongoing
concerns:

- Mastering new skills
 - Reading and writing volume, quality
 - Academic feedback and evaluation
 - Professional Development
- Acclimating to a new program, campus, city, country
 - Language learning/familiarity
- Money (for education, bills, etc.)
- Life balance
 - Finding communities of scholars and friends
 - Managing stress/pressure

Supporting Your Journey

gsrc.fsu.edu is a one-stop virtual hub for all campus and community resources available for graduate students, including:

**Academic &
Professional
Development**

Basic Needs

**Funding
&
Financial**

**Graduate
Life**

**Health
&
Well-being**

**Parenting
&
Family**

Research

Safety

Graduate Student Resource Fair

September 9, 2026
4-6 p.m.
Union Ballroom D

- Campus and community resources
- Free business clothes from FSU's Career Center
- Snacks and Refreshments
- Prize Giveaways



RSVP NOW

COMMUNITY BUILDING STARTS HERE

FSU | OFFICE OF GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Networking Event

The Office of Graduate Fellowships and Awards will host a Networking Event aimed at creating interdisciplinary collaborations and peer support networks. Get out of your disciplinary silos! Come grab a bite to eat, learn about fellowships and awards, and meet other FSU graduate students!

WRITING ACCOUNTABILITY GROUPS: SUMMER 2026



GSRC AND CHAW PRESENT

BOOKS AND BOBA

An illustration of a large glass of iced boba with brown syrup and black pearls. Next to it is a book titled "Meditations for Mortals" by Oliver Burkeman. The book cover features a small illustration of a person sitting on a chair. There are colorful heart and star stickers around the drink and book.

COFFEE & COMMUNITY

ONCE A MONTH, 9-10 AM
HONORS, SCHOLARS, AND FELLOWS HOUSE, GREAT HALL

A stylized illustration of three people sitting at a small round table. There are two large coffee cups on the table, and steam is rising from them. The people are drawn in a simple, sketchy style.

FLUENCY HUB

CENTER FOR INTENSIVE ENGLISH STUDIES

An illustration of four diverse students standing in front of a large, ornate building with red brick and white columns. The students are holding books and looking towards the camera. The building has a classic architectural style with multiple windows and a central entrance.

Upcoming Events:

Time & Energy Management
Graduate Reading

GSRC Writing Retreat

September

November

October

ABC's of Conference Attendance
Institutional Literacy
OGFA Networking Event (Oct. 8)

Ongoing:

"Finding Funding" workshops; Fluency Hub; Writing Accountability Groups; Mentor/Mentee Training; In-Department Workshops

With Partners:

Conflict Management; Post-Graduation Employment; Financial and Personal Wellness; Perfecting Your CV

Our mission: Your success

GSRC:

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p: 850.645.9990
i: @fsugsrc



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The Congress of Graduate Students (COGS)

Orientation Presentation



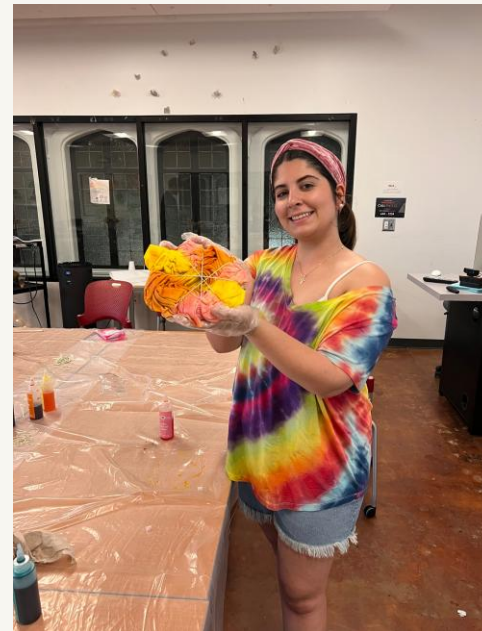
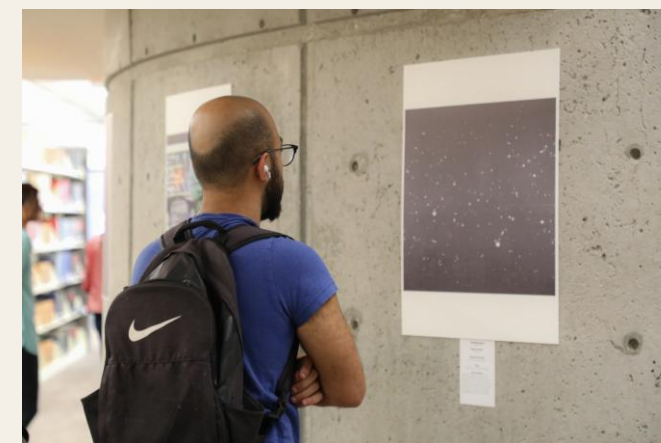
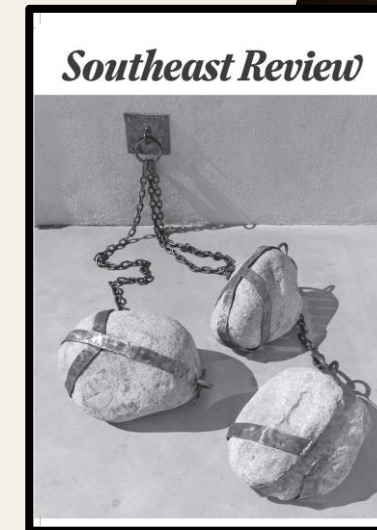
COGS Website

The Work of COGS



Our RSOs

COGS funds
~100 RSOs!!!



Advocating for Graduate Students

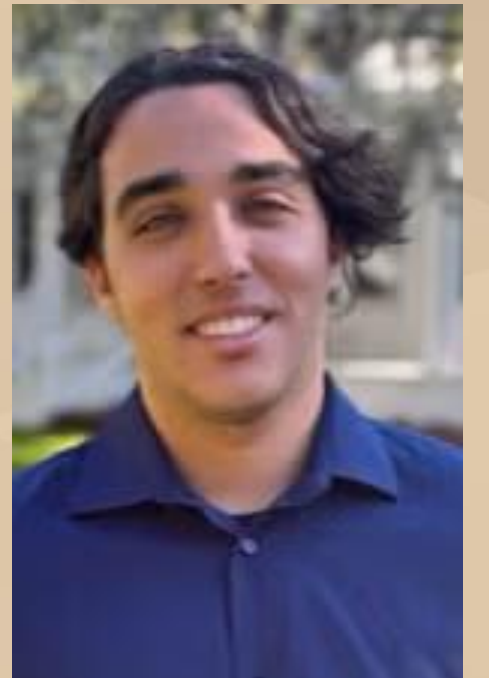
- I. Removing barriers for Veterans
- II. Serving on University Committees
- III. Campus Outreach
- IV. Student Advocacy



Introductions - Meet the COGS Executive Board



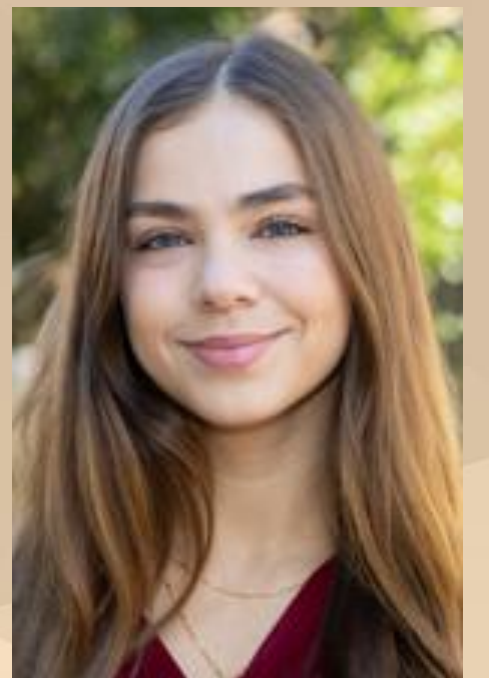
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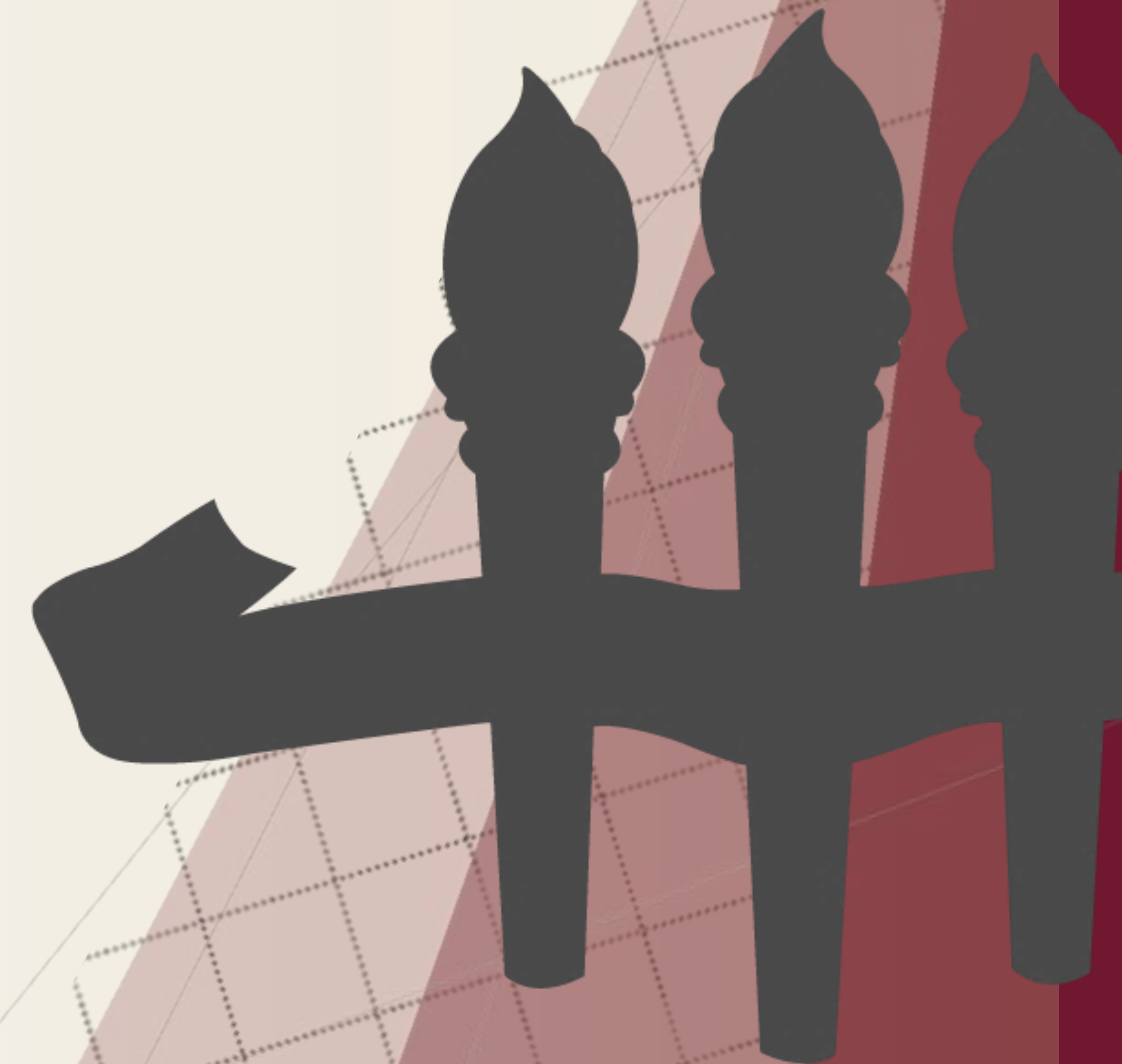
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Conference Grants

What are COGS Conference Grants?

- ❖ Financial support for graduate students so they can attend conferences, present research, and represent Florida State University to the national and international academic community.
- ❖ There are two different types of grants you can apply for:
(1) Attendance or (2) Presentation Grants
- ❖ These grants are made available on a first come first serve basis, which means that you may not get your application approved if funding has run out for time period you applied during.
- ❖ All requests must be submitted 15 business days prior to travel but funds are disbursed as a reimbursement to students who completes all requirements.



Funding Timeline

Funding periods:

July 1st - October 31st

November 1st - February 29th

March 1st - June 30th

Earliest time you can apply:

June 1st

October 1st

February 1st

How much can I get?

Attendance Grants:

Any location more than 100 miles from Florida State University: **\$200**

Presentation Grants:

Outside U.S. (foreign countries not including Alaska, Hawaii): **\$700**

Within the U.S. (>100 miles from Florida State University): **\$350**

Combined Grant:

One Conference You Are Presenting At For the Whole Year: **\$525**

The maximum awarded amount in travel grants for any given student is

\$700 in any single fiscal year.

You are limited to 2 grants per fiscal year.

What do I need for the grant application?

Attendance:

Conference registration form with billing information that lists you as a registrant

Presentation:

Conference registration form with billing information that lists you as a registrant

A copy of a preliminary program showing your presentation schedule or acceptance letter which names YOU specifically as the primary presenter.

Application platform: <https://fsu-sgacogs.smapply.us/prog/>

INVOICE/RECEIPT

Southern Association for College Student
Affairs



Clemson,

10/5/2023
Invoice No.: 200004396
Tax ID: 56-1641039
Due on receipt

Bill To:

Mail Check To:

PAID

Qty	Description	Price	Totals
1	2023 Student Registration - Joshua Burns	\$220.00	\$220.00
Sub-Total			\$220.00
Total			\$220.00

Payments/Adjustments

Qty	Description	Price	Totals
1		(\$220.00)	(\$220.00)
Total Payments/Adjustments			(\$220.00)
Balance Due			\$0.00

Example of what can be submitted for proof of
conference registration confirmation

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SACSA 2023 Annual Conference Proposal Notification

Inbox x



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Fri, Aug 18, 10:00 PM



to me ▾

Joshua Burns -

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that your poster proposal, *Caring More for Our First-Year, First-Generation and Low-Income Students: Perceptions of Barriers and Transitional Success*, is accepted for SACSA's 2023 Annual Conference with NASPA Region III! We are happy to support this important work that, we believe, will benefit our region. Thank you for your submission!

As a reminder, SACSA's Annual Conference is November 4 - 6 in the vibrant and dynamic city of Atlanta, Georgia. Please let us know if you plan to attend and participate by following this [link](#). Your unique program ID code is **ATLP3**. **The deadline to accept your invitation to present is Friday, September 29th at 5:00 pm CST.**

The coordinating presenter must be registered to attend the conference. Register for SACSA at <https://www.sacsa.org/page/ConferenceRegistration>. Please adhere to the standard poster size - 48" x 36" with horizontal orientation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at [Redacted]

Again, congratulations on your poster proposal acceptance. We look forward to seeing you in ATL!

[Redacted]

SACSA Poster Session Chair

Example of what can be submitted for
proof of an acceptance letter

What needs to be included for an international conference?

The additional requirement if you are traveling internationally for a conference is to **upload approval of your international travel**.

This requires you to plan ahead as this process must be completed at least **4 to 6 weeks** prior to any proposed travel date and/or before making any financial commitments.

For more information on the policies FSU has visit:

<https://global.fsu.edu/travel-policy/student-travel-policy>

Reminder: International travel is outside the continental U.S. (foreign countries not including Alaska/Hawaii)

Subject: Your trip was APPROVED
Date: Monday, July 24, 2023 at 7:12:47 AM Mountain Daylight Saving Time
From: TravelRegistry Notification <alerts@alerttraveler.com>
To: [REDACTED]
Attachments: AlertTravelerLogo.png

This email is automated from FSU's Travel Registry system through Terra Dotta. If you feel you have recieved this in error, please contact Ms. Ashley Krutz, Director of International Travel, Safety, and Risk in the Office of the Provost. Email: akrutz@fsu.edu or call 850-645-2176.

The following trip was **APPROVED**.

Trip details

Trip Name: MESA - Montreal, Canada
Description: Middle East Studies Association (MESA) Annual Confrence
Reasons: FSU student attending a conference/presentation
Dates: 2023-11-02 to 2023-11-05

Destinations

2023-11-02 - 2023-11-05 - Montreal, Quebec, Canada

To see your trip click [HERE](#) and login to your account.

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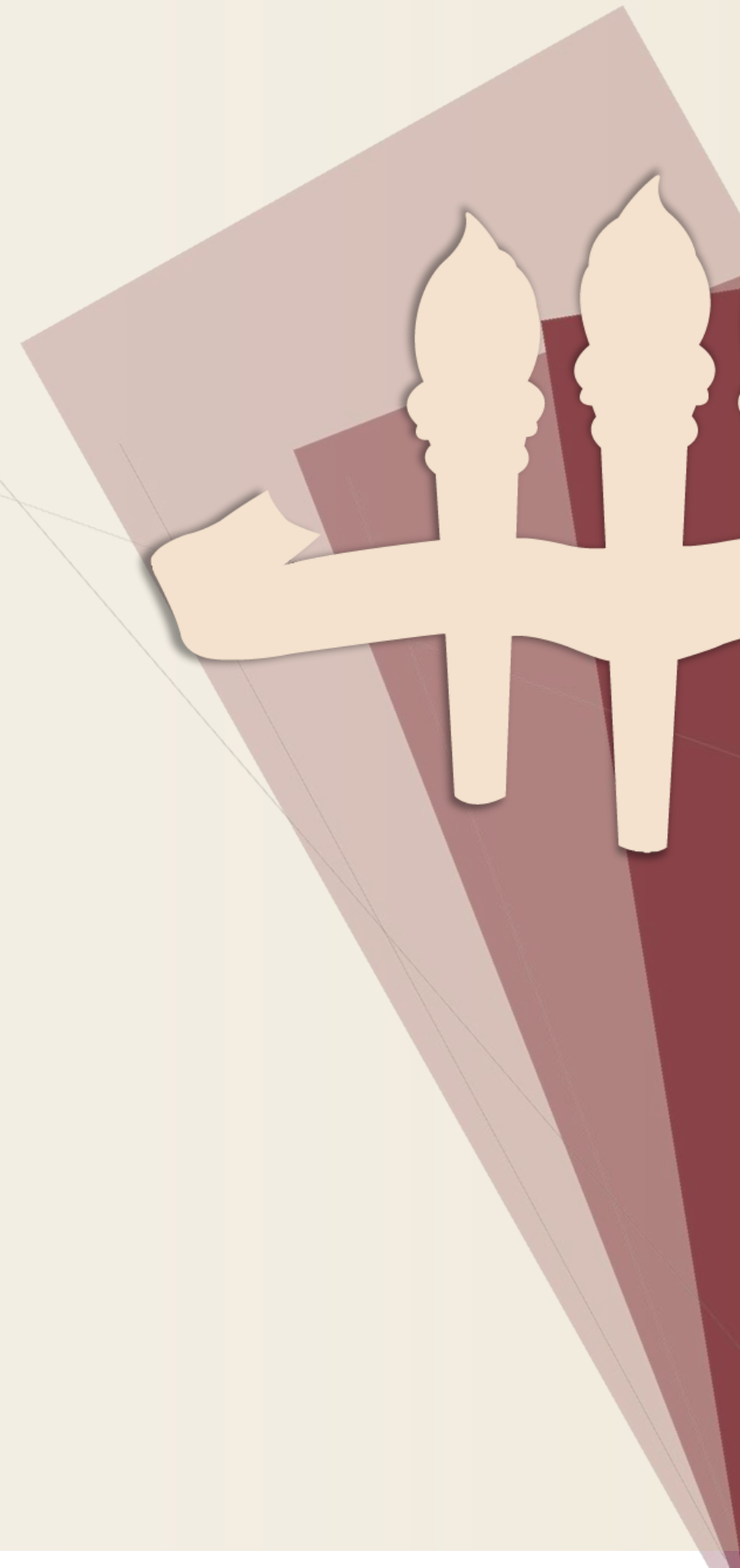
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What happens after submitting your application?

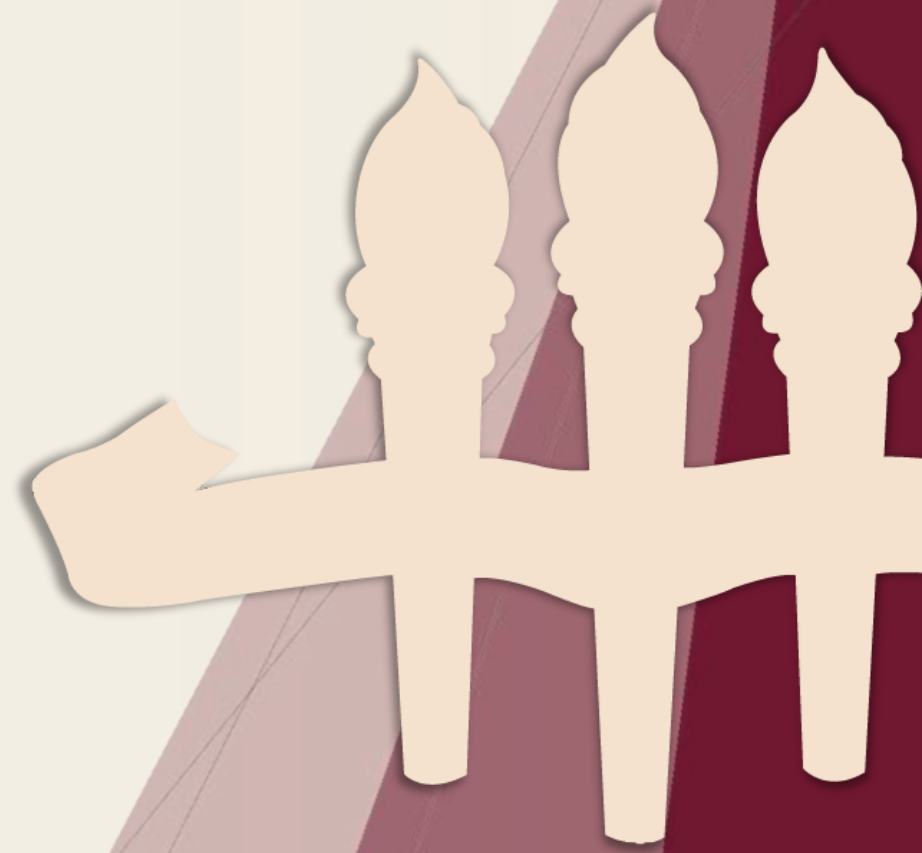
1. COGS Deputy Speaker of Finance will either approve or deny your application based on if you meet all requirements for the grant being applied to and type of travel
2. You should receive an email from SurveyMonkey letting you know that your application was approved or denied
3. If you do not receive an email within 10 days of submitting your application, you can check the status of your application by following these [steps](#). You can also email us with questions or concerns: SGA-COGSFinance@fsu.edu

Other important points of information

- Note: You should complete a travel authorization form before your conference.
 - Departments might have their own process and unique form with this, so talk with your department's travel representative.
 - This being done before your travel allows for a faster reimbursement.
- Even if you are not awarded the grant, you should continue to work with your travel representative.



So you are
approved,
now what?

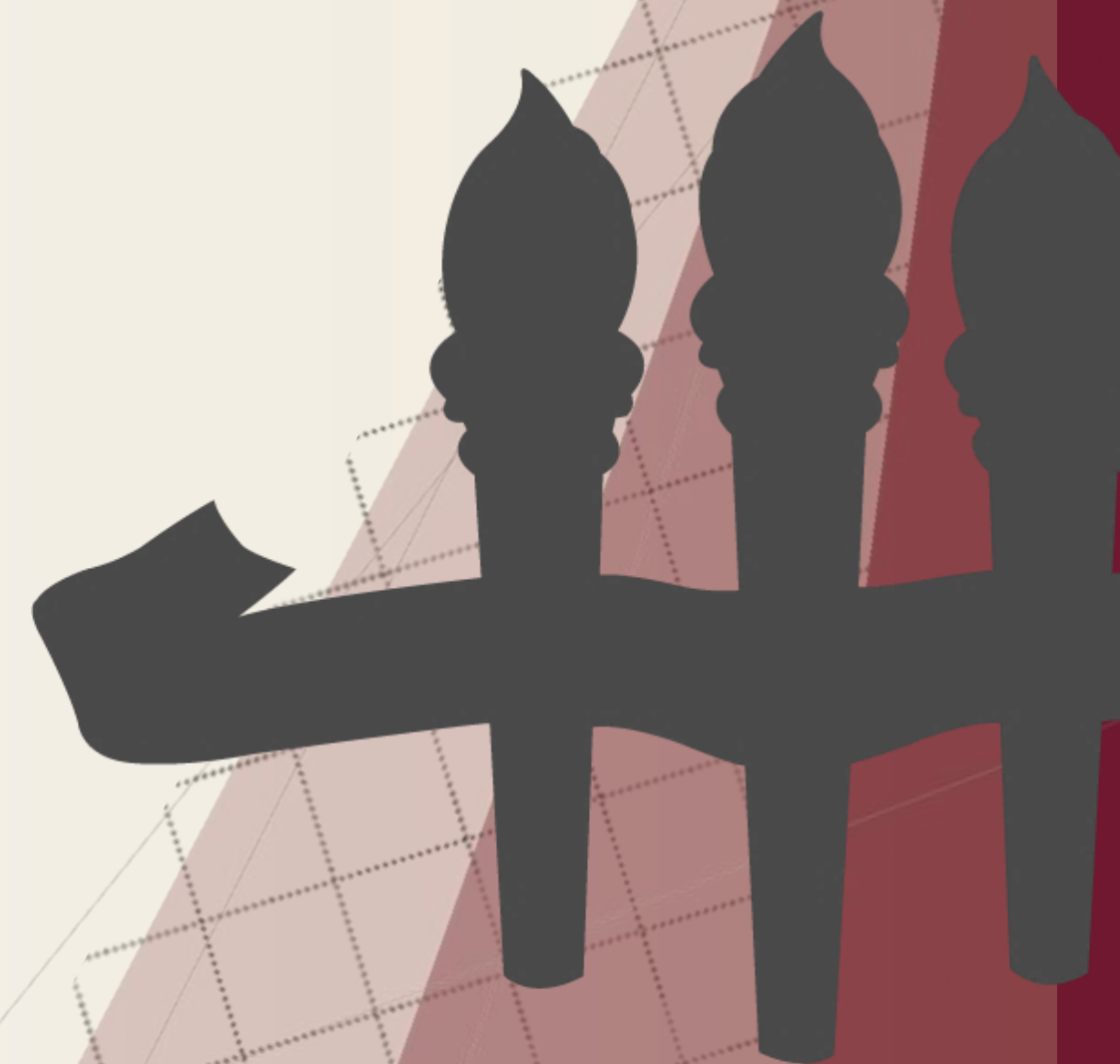


After approval

No longer need to communicate with COGS

- Save all receipts from your travel
- Receipts must include: Date of Purchase Reprinted vendor name and address Billing information Details (Showing approved student receiving the grant as the payee)

Expenses that Can Be Reimbursed: Conference Registration Fees, Hotel/Lodging, Airfare, Map Mileage (if personal vehicle was used), Ground Transportation (Uber, Lyft, Taxi, etc) Parking Fees, Baggage Fees, Rental Car Fees (Please speak with your travel representative prior to reserving).



After approval

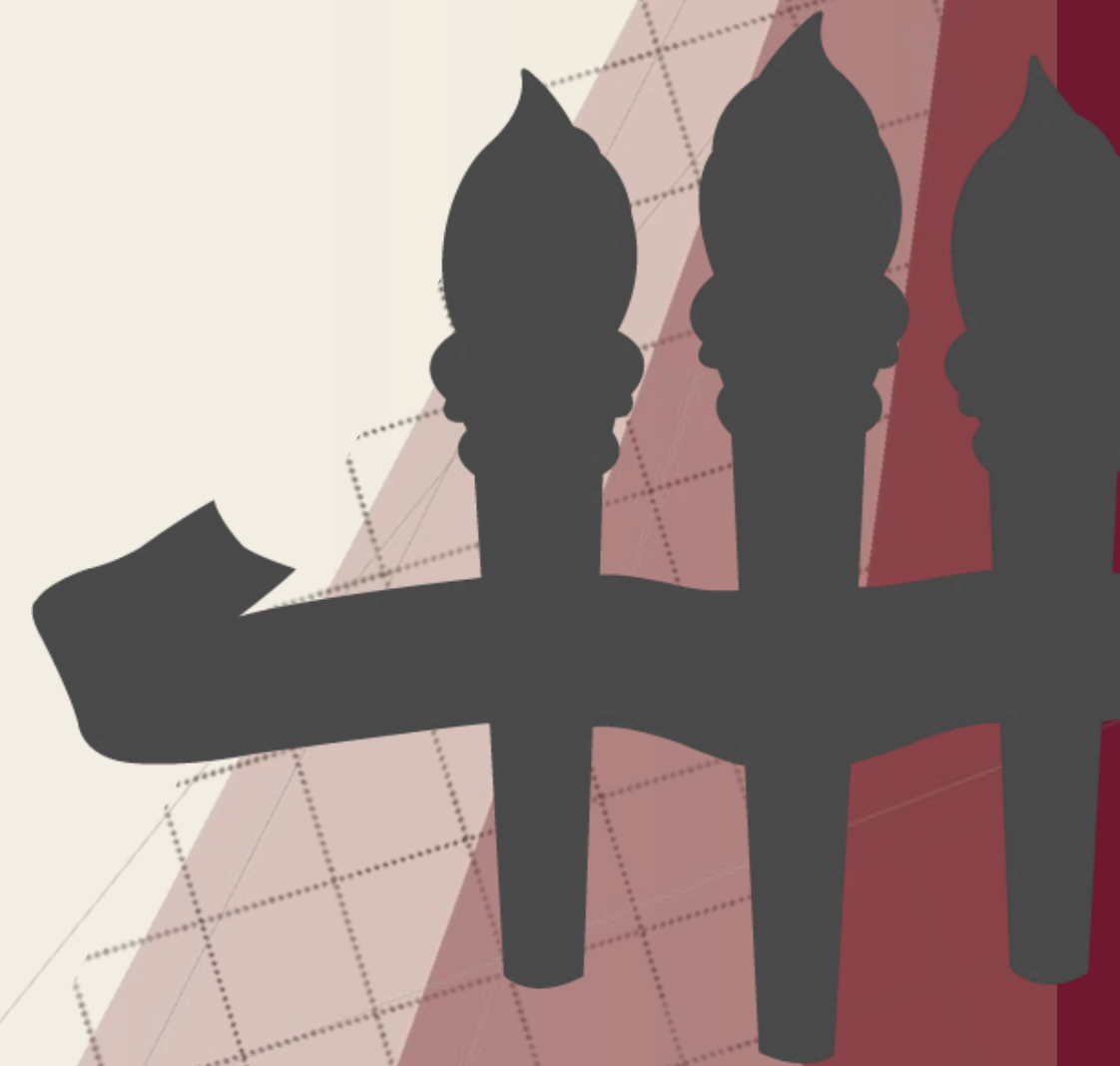
Within 30 days of coming back, work with your department's travel representative to build an expense report through Concur

- You will send them the approval from COGS
- Receipts
- Program from conference

How do you know who your travel representative is?

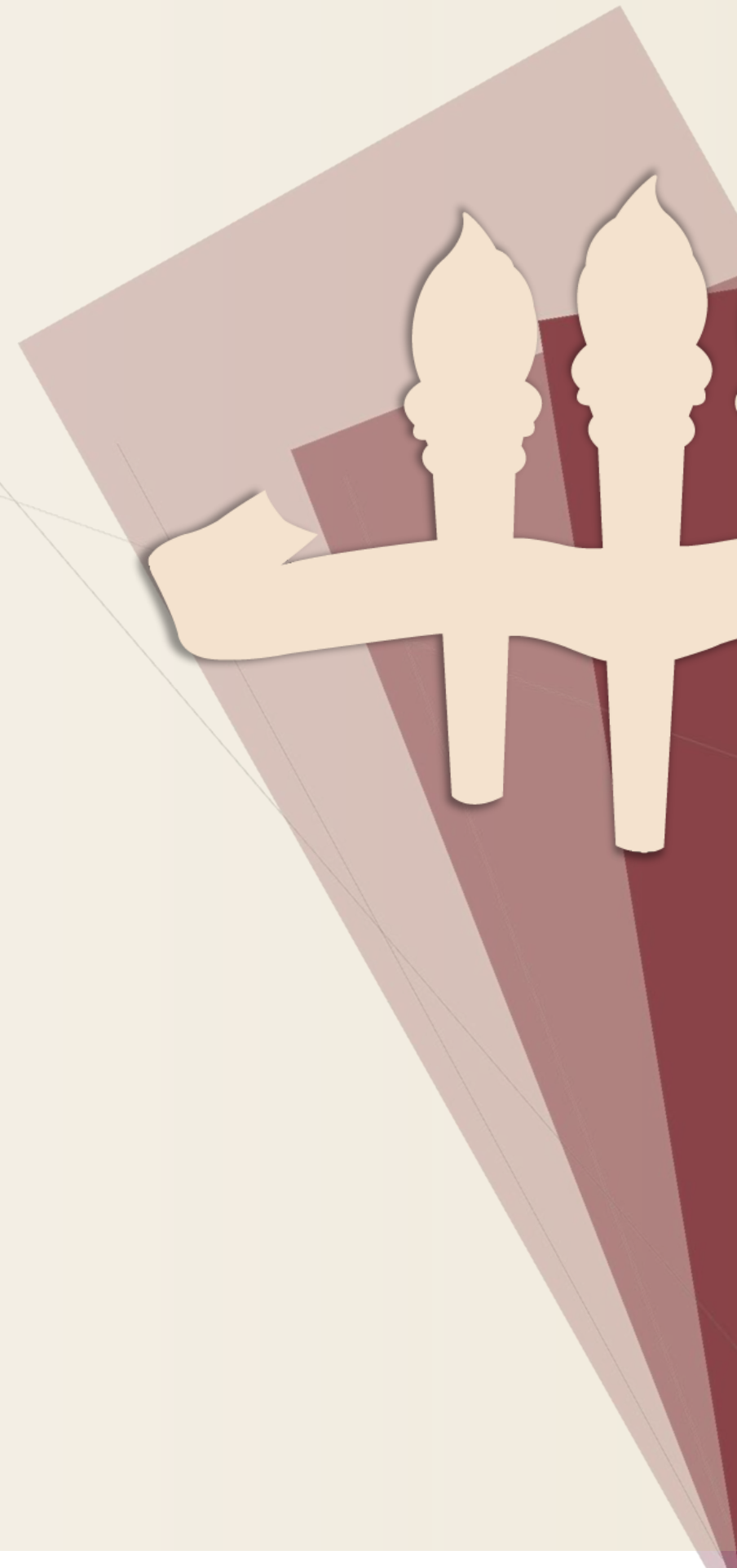
- Usually have the title of administrative assistant/associate
- Handle travel for all faculty, staff, and students in your department, so ask others

Reach out to us if they need the budget code for the attendance or presentation grant



Graduate Student Resource Center Grant Opportunity

- The GSRC has a grant program for doctoral students.
- Doctoral candidates can receive one grant per year, up to \$1,000.
- For more details, please go to <https://provost.fsu.edu/gsrc/travel-grants>

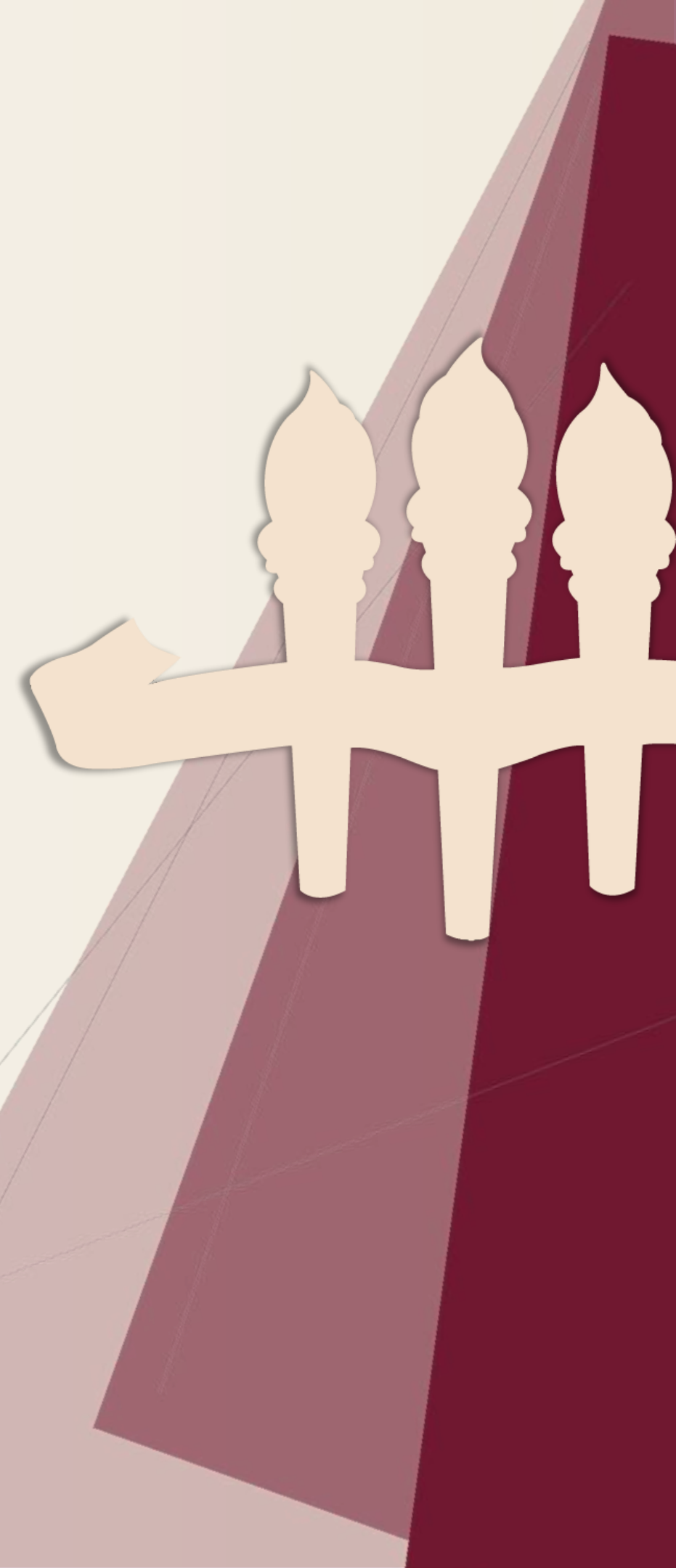


Joining COGS

- We meet twice per month on Mondays at 6:30pm.
- COGS is a light time-commitment, it's meant to work around your schedule!
- Join COGS to help represent your college and department!

Link to our Petition —>

Can also run for office
at the Fall Elections.
Email [SGA-
COGSSpeaker@fsu.edu](mailto:SGA-COGSSpeaker@fsu.edu)
for more information!





COGS Website



Questions?

Center for the Advancement of Teaching (CAT)

An Overview by Caity Bente,
Program Manager: TA
Training & Professional
Development

FSU



What Does CAT do for TAs?

CAT supports effective TA role teaching endeavors by offering:

- University-wide teaching assistant (TA) training – Essential Policies & Practices for TAs
- Year-round interactive workshops on various teaching topics
- Reading groups on innovative, learning-centered pedagogy
- Monetary cost-free programs geared toward professional development in teaching
- One-on-one consultations on course design/teaching challenges
- Overall, creation/facilitation of programming & a community to engage in research-based teaching practices and connect with interdisciplinary instructors across FSU

Essential Policies & Practices for TAs

University-Wide TA Training for TA Categories 1 through 5

- Offered entirely asynchronously online via the FSU Learning Management System – Canvas
 - Participants work at their own pace through auto-graded modules to meet the deadline posted each semester
 - Offered spring, summer, and fall
 - Deadline is always before the semester begins to be in accordance with certification requirements
- Training Content
 - FSU teaching policy, course design, facilitating discussions, feedback on student work, professional communication in the TA role, and overall learning-centered teaching approaches

CAT Grads Teaching Development Program (TDP)

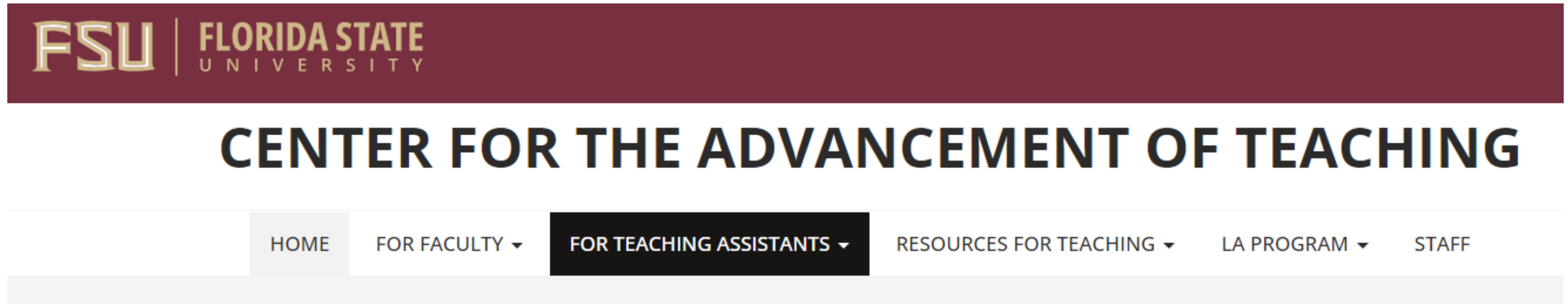
Optional professional development program for TAs:

- Monetary cost-free self-paced professional development program in teaching
- Consists of interactive workshops, reading groups, teaching artifacts, & one-on-one consultations
- Why might you like to join the TDP?
 - You will develop teaching skills among fellow TAs to foster better learning experiences for students.
 - You will cultivate an interdisciplinary teaching community and connect with other scholars.
 - You will develop strong application materials for possible faculty positions post-graduation, including a teaching portfolio.
- How do I get started?
 - Visit the “Teaching Development Program” page on our website for upcoming “Information Session” dates.
 - Attend a session to learn about program components, ask questions, and let us know if you’d like to join! 😊

How Do I Learn About CAT Programming?

CAT promotes services through several platforms:

- CAT Website: teaching.fsu.edu



- Canvas announcements (if you are enrolled in any of our programs)
- University-wide emails for graduate students
- Department staff
- When in doubt, email us! 😊
 - teaching-assistants@fsu.edu

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Thank You & Welcome to FSU!

**Feel free to email us at
teaching-assistants@fsu.edu**





2026 Graduate Student Orientation

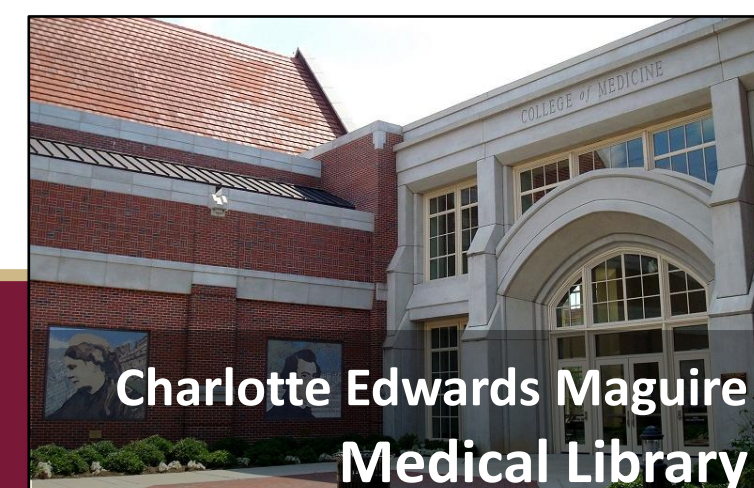
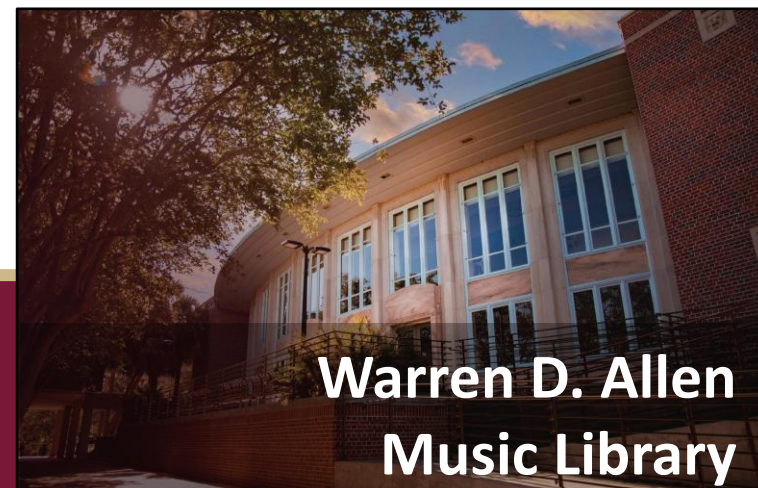
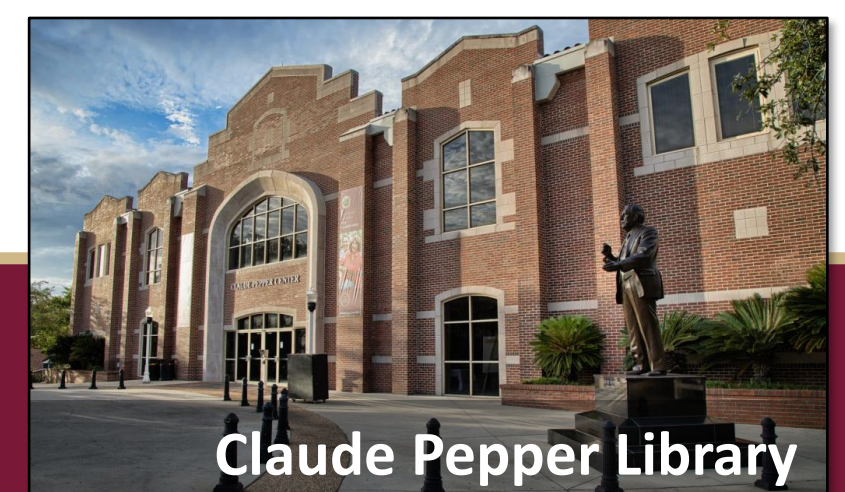
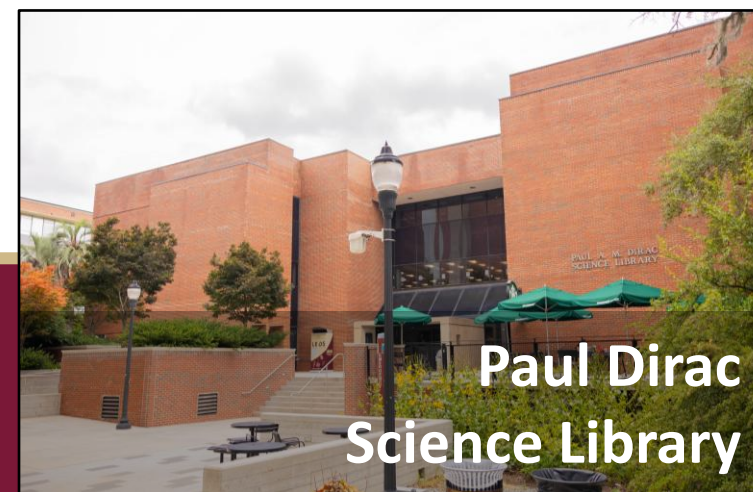
***Your research journey starts – and grows - with
FSU Libraries***

Welcome New Graduate Students!

- FSU Libraries are:
 - Content provider for the University
 - Over 2.3 million print volumes and over a thousand of databases.
 - Over 80,000 e-journals, and millions of e-books.
 - Study & learning spaces
 - Across 8 locations
 - Partner for your graduate journey
 - Help you learn the “hidden curriculum” of graduate research
 - 59 Librarian faculty and over two hundred employees including student employees



Campus Libraries



Collaborative or Quiet Study

- Individual study carrels
- Conference rooms and study rooms for faculty and grad students only
- Bradley Reading Room for graduate students

[Link: Reserve conference rooms and study rooms online](#)



Tools to Support Graduate - level Coursework, Research, and Fieldwork

- Laptops
- Cameras
- Action Cameras
- Audio Recording
- Tripods
- Headphones
- Projectors
- Wi-Fi Hotspots
- Binoculars
- Calculators
- Hammocks

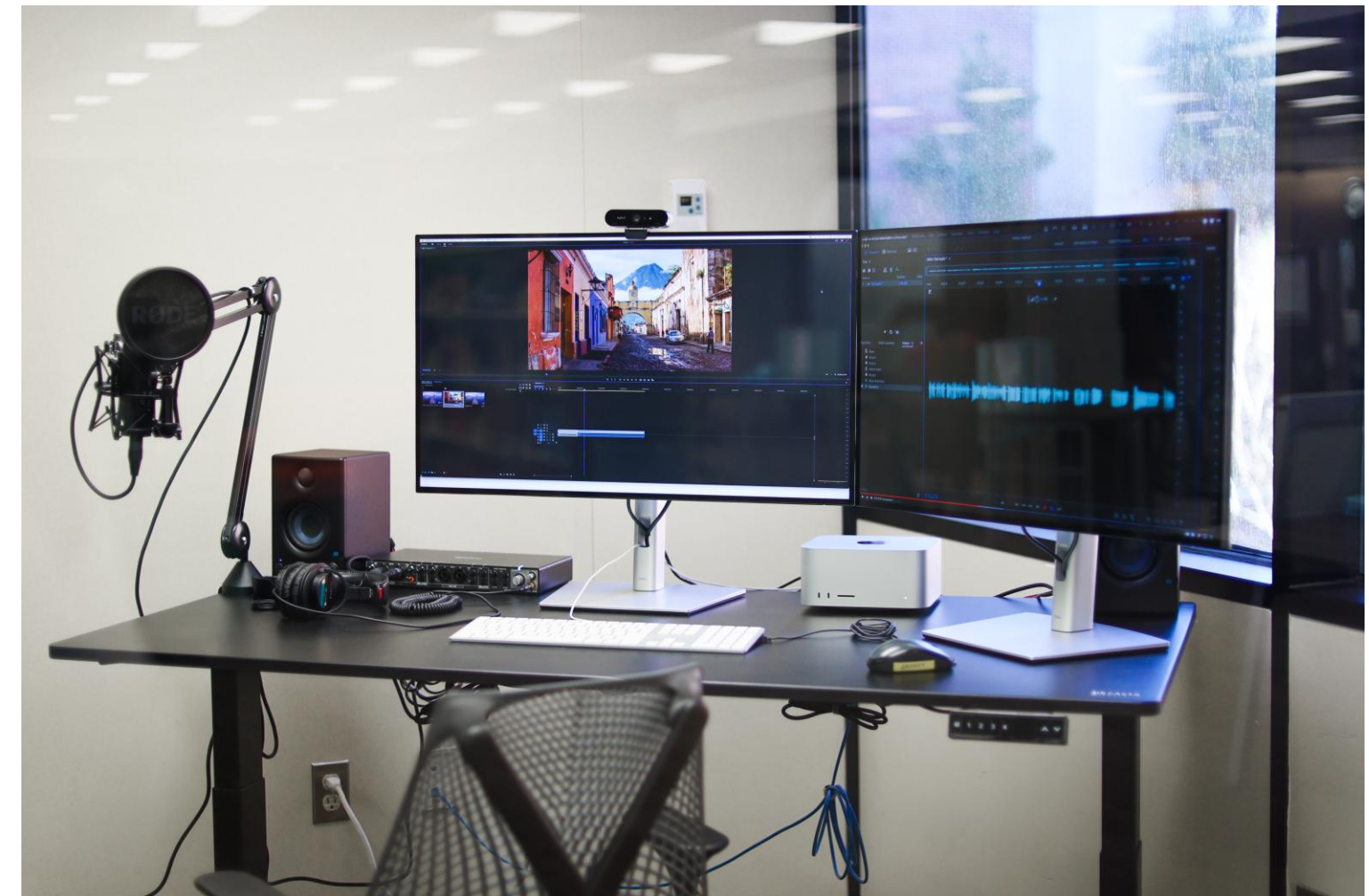


[Link: Search for all tech & equipment and availabilities](#)

Creative Media Services



- [Full-service production studio](#)
- Self-service media suite



- Media services consultations
- On-location recordings & streaming

Course Textbooks & Readings

Support for coursework—so you can focus on learning, not costs or access.

- Print textbooks on Course Reserves
- ETextbooks and films
- Scanning is free at FSU Libraries

[Link: Learn more about course materials support](#)

[Link: Printing and Scanning at FSU Libraries](#)



Library Express Delivery Service

Graduate schedules are busy—LEDS brings materials to you and helps you save time.

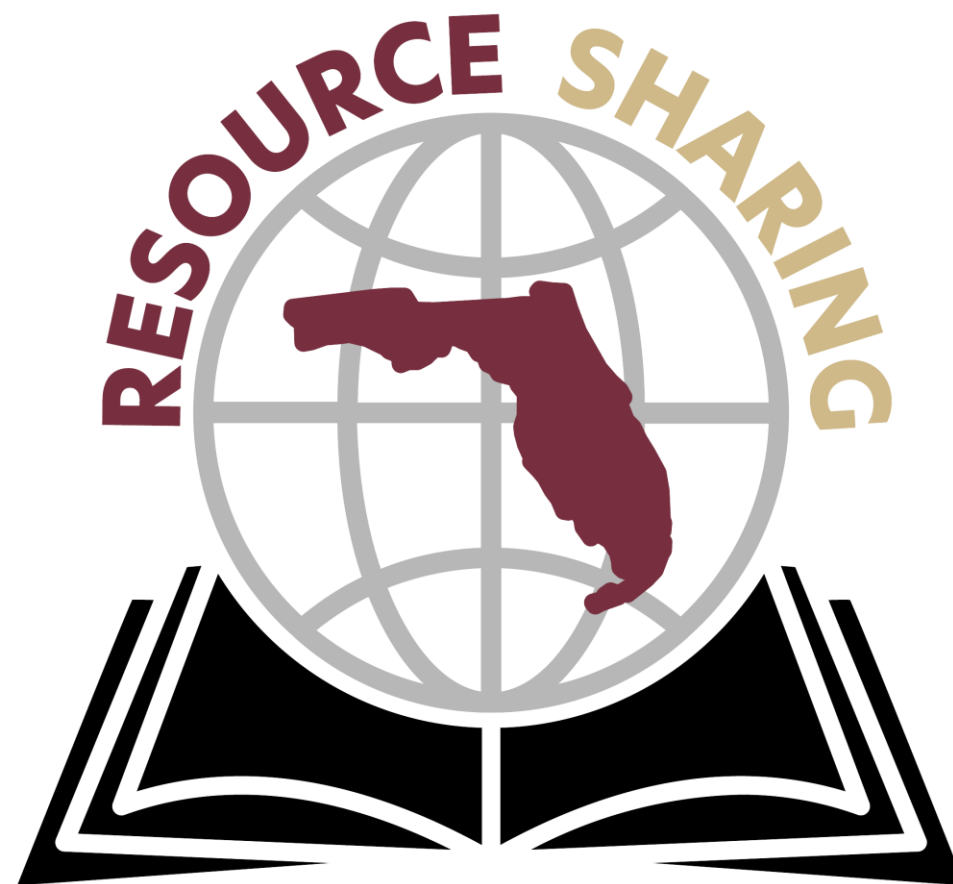


LEDS Lockers at Strozier Library

- Request materials directly from the catalog!
- Office delivery & pick up
- Hold requests at all campus libraries
- Article & chapter scans sent right to your email
- **Available to all faculty, graduate students, and staff**

[Link: LEDS information and registration](#)

When You Need Something FSU Does Not Own...



Get research publications from anywhere in the world!

- Request books or articles not available at FSU Libraries, through Interlibrary Loan
- Search and request books directly from [OneSearch](#) or [WorldCat](#)
- Monitor your requests online through [My Account](#) (UBorrow+) or [ILLiad](#) (ILL requests)

[Link: Learn more about Resource Sharing](#)

Liaison Librarians

You don't navigate graduate research alone.

- Assigned by department or college (disciplinary expertise)
- Support research, teaching, and publishing decisions
- Help you design effective literature searches
- Support citation management and research workflows

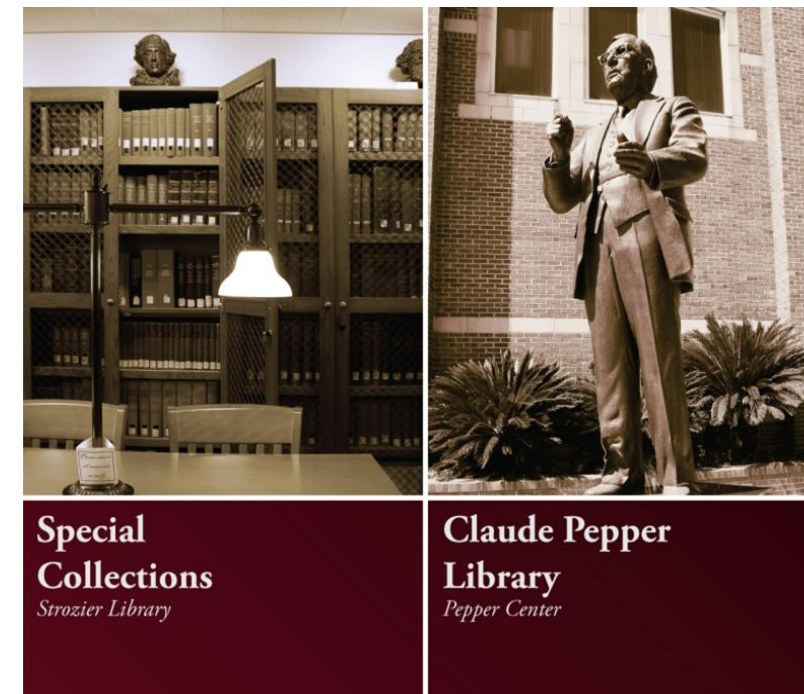
[Link: Directory of Liaison Librarians and contact info](#)



Special Collections & Archives

- Over 800,000 rare or unique items
- Digital Library Center
- University Archives and Museum
- Pepper Library and Museum

[Link: More info on Special Collections & Archives](#)



Special Collections
Strozier Library

Claude Pepper Library
Pepper Center



Emmett Till Archives



Paul Dirac Collection

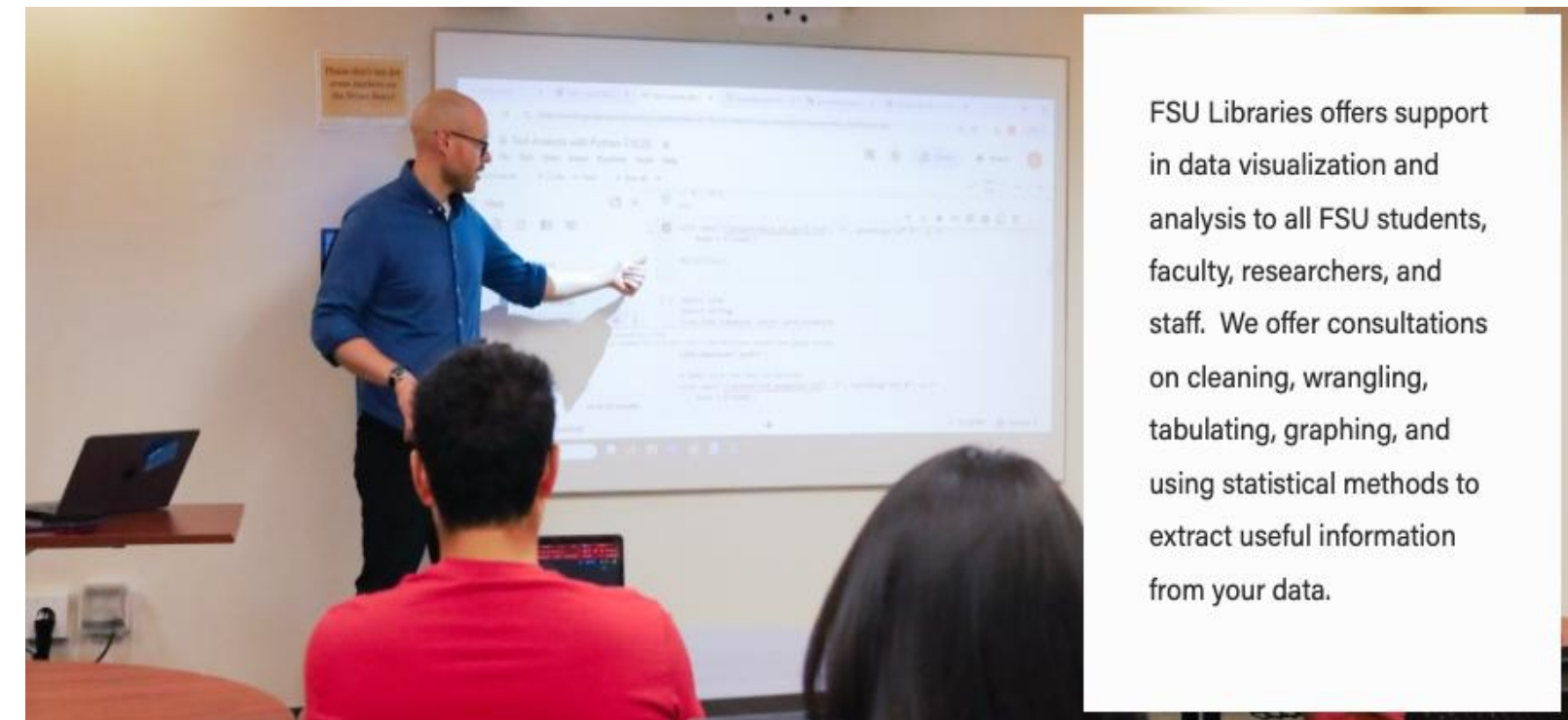


Florida History and Heritage

Research Data Services

As your research becomes more complex, we support data-driven work

- Performing and understanding statistical analyses
- Using data analysis software
- Creating data visualizations
- Data management planning
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Humanities data curation, analysis, and visualization



FSU Libraries offers support in data visualization and analysis to all FSU students, faculty, researchers, and staff. We offer consultations on cleaning, wrangling, tabulating, graphing, and using statistical methods to extract useful information from your data.

[Link: Data Services @ FSU Libraries](#)

Research & Publishing Support

- Evidence Synthesis & Literature Reviews
- Manage & Share data
- Publishing
- Measure & enhance research impact metrics

FSU Libraries offers support in evidence synthesis to all FSU students, faculty, researchers, and staff. These services extend to methods used in systematic reviews, meta-analyses, scoping reviews, systematic mapping reviews, rapid reviews, and other systematic or structured approaches to literature reviews.



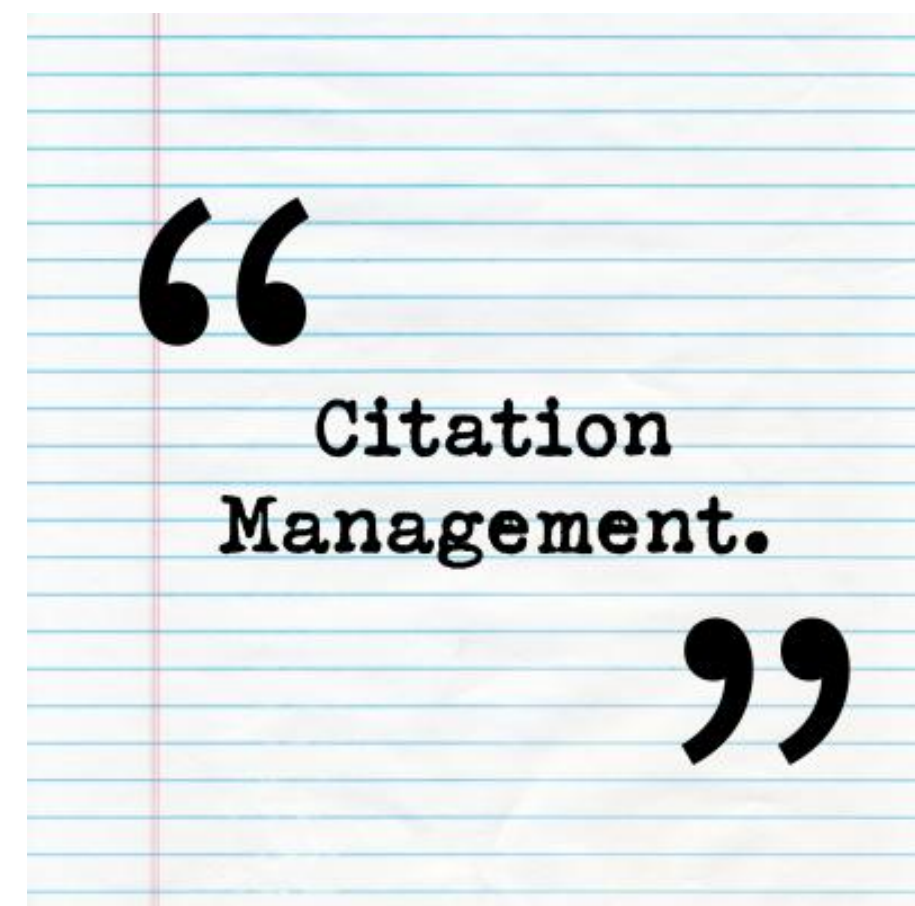
[Link: Learn more about Research & Publishing support](#)



What are Research Impact Services?

Unlock the full potential of your research with our comprehensive Research Impact Services. Our dedicated team provides personalized support to researchers, offering expert guidance on maximizing the visibility and influence of your scholarly work. From crafting impactful dissemination strategies to leveraging social media and citation analytics, we empower you to enhance the reach and significance of your research within the academic community and beyond.

Graduate Skills Workshops



Workshops offered every semester on Zoom and in-person

Workshops count toward Doctoral Travel Grants credit!

[Link: Workshop descriptions, dates, and registration](#)

FSU Libraries Support You at Every Stage of Your Graduate Career...

- Start with spaces & access
- Grow with research & data support
- Finish with publishing & career readiness

Information Resources for Graduate Success: Home

Search this Guide

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Home

Welcome!

Dear Graduate Students

Graduate Life

Course Materials

Academic Writing [↗](#)

Class & Conference
Presentation

Dissertation Writing &
Advising [↗](#)

Life After Graduate
School

Welcome!



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Dear Graduate Students

[Link: Information Resources for Graduate Success](#)

...and We Help You *Graduate!*

**Scan This QR Code
to Access the
Presentation
Slides**



COGS Social X Libraries Open House

Today (8/18) from **10:30 am to 12:30 pm**

116 Honors Way

Visit Strozier Library's basement for:

- Food and drinks
- Live music
- Networking and mingling
- Meet your librarians and discover library services and collections
- Self-guided library tour: *The Tolkien Tour (3 day only from 8/18 to 8/20)*
- Register for QEP Graduate Skills Workshops
- Campus resources essential for your graduate success
- A/C for comfort!

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CAREER
CENTER

What do we do?

Vision

The Florida State University Career Center strives to be the preeminent career center model for designing and delivering comprehensive, innovative, and inclusive career and employment services.



Mission

Our values of Inclusion, Compassion, and Respect play a critical role in our mission to:

- Provide comprehensive career services*
- Train career service practitioners*
- Conduct life/career development research*
- Disseminate information about life/career services and issues to the University community, the nation, and the world caring for and improving human life*

Helpful Resources

<https://career.fsu.edu/>



Career Guides



Self Knowledge
Assessments



Job & Internship
Databases



Nole Network



Mentor
Database



Job
Shadowing



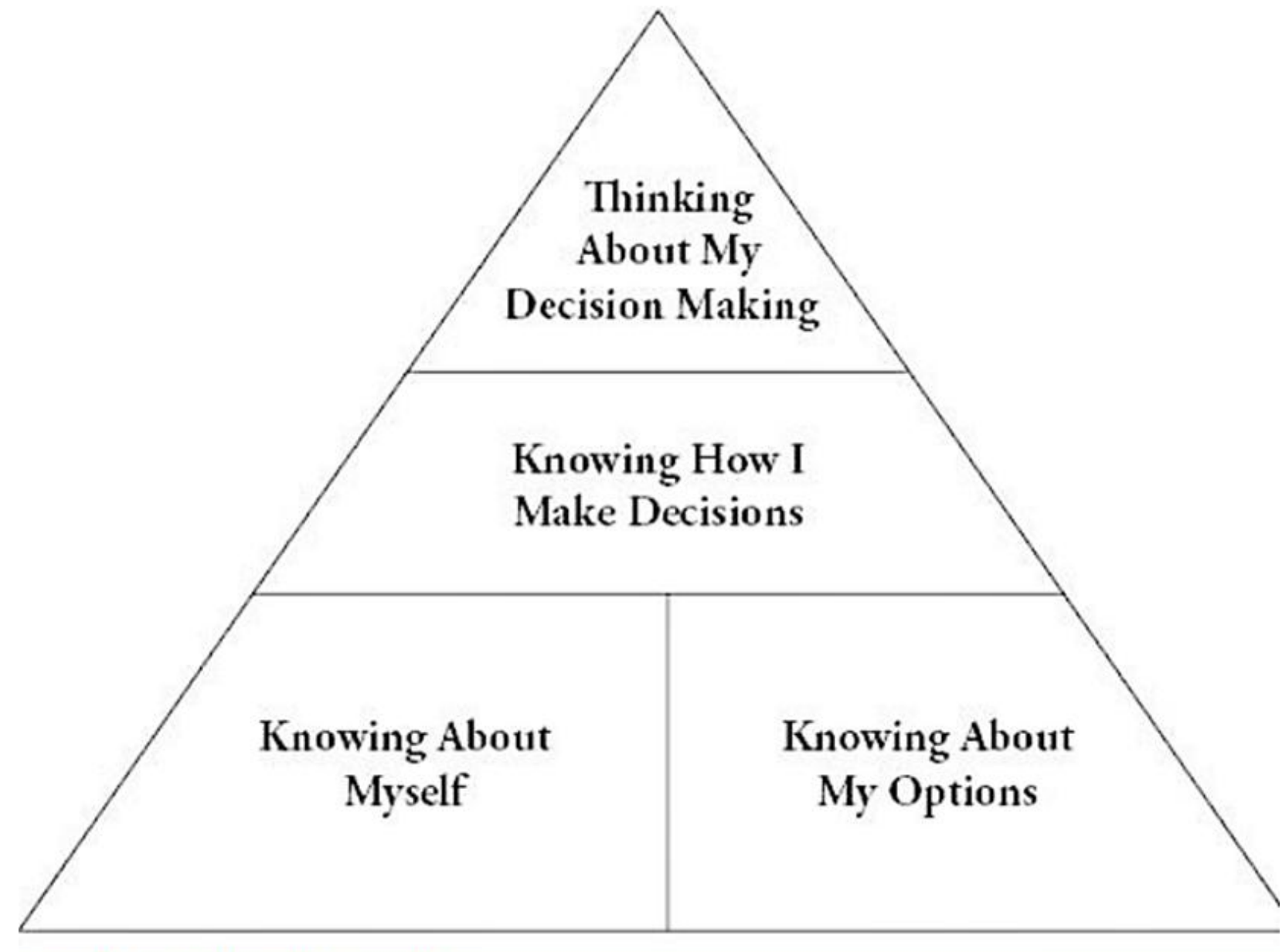
Interview
Prep



Clothing
Closet

Where do you want to go?

- Know YOUR why for obtaining your advanced degree
- What are you interested in?
- What skills do you have or do you want to build?
- What values are important to you?
- What external forces are influencing your career decisions?



Self-Knowledge--CIP Pyramid.

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Build Employability Skills

- Earn Micro-credentials & Badges
 - [LinkedIn Learning](#)
 - [Career Center](#)
 - [Sage Campus](#)
- Internships/shadowing
 - Time limited experiences
- Research job openings
 - Learn trends and most common skills



- Complete a Mock Interview
 - Set up your [Nole Network](#) account

Build Network

- 70-80% of jobs are found through person-to-person networking
- Utilize MentorFSU
 - Longest running program connecting FSU students to alumni & friends of FSU
 - Meet with mentor of your choice based on discipline, industry, company affiliation, or geographic area
 - Graduate students can also serve as a mentors to undergraduates
- Create and maintain LinkedIn profile
 - Employers use to promote brand and recruiter employees
 - Job seekers use to market their skills and expand professional connections



Career Resources for Master's Students

BEYOND GRADUATE SCHOOL

- Live Webinars
 - Upcoming: *Why Master's Students Should Plan on a 9-Month Job Search – Aug 19*
 - Info Interviews of Professionals with the same credentials as you
 - Lessons on Networking, Hiring & Interviewing, Resumes & Cover letters, etc.
 - Advanced lessons for Career Changers & Career Advancers
 - Interview Practice
 - <https://career.fsu.edu/resources/big-interview>
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- Graduate Student Resource Center
 - University Libraries
 - Center for the Advancement of Teaching



Career Resources for Doctoral Students

BEYOND THE PROFESSORiate



- Live Webinars
 - *Upcoming: Academic Job Market Boot Camp – August 24-28*
- Info Interviews of Professionals with the same credentials as you
- Lessons focused on the academic job market and the professional job market
- Graduate Student Resource Center
- University Libraries
- Center for the Advancement of Teaching

- **Doctoral Career Accelerator Pathway**

- Set of lessons from Beyond the Professoriate **AND** use of Quinncia
- for AI resume/CV review, interview practice and LinkedIn review

Prepare for your Job Search

- **Résumé/CV reviewed each semester**
- **Connect with a mentor outside of FSU**
- **Attend Career Fairs**
 - Engineering – Sept 22
 - Seminole Futures – Sept 24
 - Virtual Career Expo (Master's and Doctorates ONLY) - Spring
 - HELPS (Healthcare, Education, Law enforcement, & Public Service) - Spring
- **Read job openings**
- **Get involved with student organizations in your department**



Academic Area Liaisons

- College of Arts & Sciences (3 areas)
- Anne Spencer Daves College of Education, Health, & Human Sciences
- College of Criminology & Criminal Justice
- College of Fine Arts, College of Music, College of Motion Picture Arts
- College of Social Science & Public Policy
- College of Communication & Information
- College of Social Work
- Dedman College of Hospitality
- FAMU-FSU College of Engineering
- College of Medicine, College of Nursing

Visit:
<https://career.fsu.edu/about-us/career-liaisons>
for the most updated list
of liaisons and their drop-
in hours

Career Liaison for the Graduate School

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nlilly@fsu.edu

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/nicolealilly>

850-644-4026

<https://career.fsu.edu/>

We Are Here For YOU!



Student Ombuds Office

Grant Escue | August 18th, 2026
Student Ombuds Director
Student Ombuds Office

Mission Statement

The Student Ombuds Office is committed to fulfilling Florida State University's mission by cultivating a campus climate grounded in respect, honesty, and integrity. As an independent, informal, impartial, and confidential resource, the Student Ombuds Office serves students by offering a safe place to seek counsel, obtain resources, and ask questions about FSU policy. The Student Ombuds Office welcomes all visitors from the FSU student body.

Services

- **Objective:** Provide students with the resources & skills to advocate for themselves.

- **Clarify the student ombuds' role & explain the cornerstone principles.**
 - **Confidentiality:** Circumstances will not be disclosed without the visitor's consent, absent compelling reasons (e.g., court order/Title IX).
 - **Informality:** May not overturn a decision made by faculty/staff.
 - **Impartiality:** May not advocate for students or the university.
 - **Independence:** Independent from any FSU administrative structure.

Services

- **Listen**

- Provide a safe environment where students know they will be heard.
- Gather facts to understand the student's circumstances.

- **Ask insightful questions**

- Ask questions to help the student explain their perspective and priorities.

- **Clarify policy and provide options**

- Explain university policies, processes, and procedures.
- Present all options to the student.
 - Encourage a discussion of all available options.

Services

- **Assist with decision-making**

- Ask the student to re-affirm their priorities and goals.
- Ask additional insightful questions that encourage critical thinking.
- Help students evaluate various options.
- It is the student's responsibility to decide which option to pursue.

- **Provide coaching**

- Help students prepare to express themselves persuasively & respectfully.
- Role play situations and discuss conflict mitigation.

- **Clarify next steps**

- Clarify what will happen next and who is responsible for each task.

Common Issues

- Common issues the Student Ombuds Office can assist with include:
 - Grade Appeals
 - Academic Honor Policy Appeals
 - General Academic Appeals
 - Medical/Mental Health Course Drops & Withdrawals
 - Alleged FERPA Violations
 - Student Conduct and Community Standards Matters
 - Tuition & Fee Appeals

- The Student Ombuds Office will assist with **any** university policy related matter.

Thank You!

Contact Information:

Work Email: jescue@fsu.edu

Student Ombuds Email: studentombuds@fsu.edu

Phone: 850-644-4475

- *Appointments are encouraged*

Student Ombuds Webpage:
studentombuds.fsu.edu

- *Please scan the QR code to visit our website.*



Questions?

Please scan the QR code to save my contact information in your phone.



Thank You!

