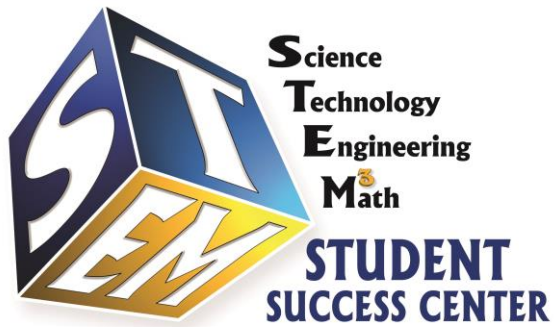


Graduate School Workshop



Program for Academic Advancement



Workshop Goals and Objectives

- Is graduate school right for you?
 - MA/MS/JD/MD/PhD
- How to ID Programs/Advisor(s)
- Requirements
 - Prerequisites
 - Entrance Exam(s)
 - Application
- Funding
- Sign-up for Specific help
 - (SOP, CV, ID program, etc.)



Is Graduate School Right for You?

- Why do you want to go?
- What are you giving up?
- What will you gain?
- Is this the right time?



To be successful...

- Self-directed
- Intellectually curious
- Hard-working
- Self-disciplined
- Flexible
- Goal oriented
- Committed



How to ID Programs

- DO THE LEG WORK!
- Prioritize Factors:
 - What are YOU interested in?
 - Faculty's research
 - Program's area(s) of specialization
 - [U.S. News Rankings](#)
 - Your competitiveness
 - Placement of graduates – success rate
 - Funding availability
 - Location

How to ID Programs Cont...

What are you interested in?

- **Read Publications**
 - Journals
 - ACS Directory of Graduate Research
- **Join Societies/Organizations**
- **Network**
 - **Go** to Conferences
 - **Talk** to professors/students
 - Poster Sessions
- **Intern/Volunteer**

How to ID Programs Cont...

- **Read** professor's publications
- **Contact** professors
 - **Know** what their current research is
 - What are your career goals?
- **Visit** schools
 - **Meet** current students
 - **Meet** other professors (advisory committee)
- **Talk** to alumni

Requirements

- **Prerequisites**
 - Courses
 - Practical Experience
- **GPA** – Minimum?
- **Entrance exam(s)** – Minimum Score?
 - GRE
 - MCAT
 - PCAT
 - LSAT
- **Application**
 - Letters of Recommendation
 - Statement of Purpose/Personal Statement
 - CV/Resume



Where do you find this out?



SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
Physical Therapy Program

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS



**NORTHERN
ARIZONA
UNIVERSITY**

Funding

- GRAs
- GTAs
- Fellowships
- Scholarships
- Private grants
- And finally...
- Loans



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Thank You!

- **Sign-up for help:**
 - SOP/Personal Essay
 - CV/Resume
 - Identifying Advisors/Programs
 - Finding Internships
- **Career Week**
 - Feb 1st – Job Fair
 - Student Union Ballroom 12-4 pm
 - Network!