SSHA Graduate Services
October Virtual Office Hours
Spring 2021 Registration and Thinking about Fellowships

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Introductions and

- Name, graduate group and year
- What is something new you have started since being remote?
- What is something that you are looking forward to this month?
Spring 2021 Course Registration Timeline

- **November 9th at 5:00am**
  - Graduate students can register for Spring 2021 courses

- **January 25th**
  - Last day to add a course online

- **February 8th by 4:30pm**
  - Last day to drop a class online

- **April 6th**
  - Last day to withdraw from a course with Dean’s signature
Enrollment Requirements for Academic Student Employees

- All students employed as Teaching Assistants, Teaching Fellows, Teaching Fellow Instructor of Record or a Graduate Student Researcher for Spring 2021 semester, must be enrolled in 12 units.

- Graduate students must be in good standing in their program and with Graduate Division.

- Graduate students must have a minimum gpa of 3.0; no more than two incompletes, no grades lower than a B.

-for more info…https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/current-students/policies-procedures
Registration

- Office of the Registrar
  - https://mystudentrecord.ucmerced.edu/pls/PROD/xhwschedule.p_selectsubject

- UC Merced My Portal
  - my.ucmerced.edu
Independent Study Courses

- Independent Study courses are for students in their second year and beyond.

- To enroll in an independent study course
  - Graduate Students must obtain permission from the faculty instructor
  - Graduate students request a Course Reference Number (CRN) via the webform:
    - [https://ssha.ucmerced.edu/form/course-reference-number-request-form](https://ssha.ucmerced.edu/form/course-reference-number-request-form)

- for more info...[https://catalog.ucmerced.edu/](https://catalog.ucmerced.edu/)
## Independent Study Courses

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Student Resources

- Graduate Services
  - CSR Request form
  - CRN Request form
  - Graduate Services Monthly Digest
  - Virtual Office Hours
  - COVID-19
  - Graduate Orientation Week - GROW
  - New Student Checklist
  - Incoming Students FAQ
  - Advancement to Candidacy - PHD
  - Graduate Programs
  - Graduate Division
  - Student Rights & Responsibilities
- Undergraduate Students
  - Academic Calendar
  - Campus Resources
  - Job & Internship Opportunities
  - Research Opportunities

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Course Reference Number Request Form

Please complete this form to request a Course Reference Number (CRN). Please provide all the details requested.

SNSA Graduate Services will respond to all requests within three (3) business days.

**Add Deadlines:** Through 15th day of Instruction: Students may add using this form only with Instructor approval.
You must return this completed form to the Student’s First Center.

**Drop Deadlines:** Through 15th day of Instruction: Students may drop online without further approval. After 15th day of Instruction, students may withdraw using the Course Withdrawal form. $10 fee.

**Grade Mode Deadlines:** Through 10th day of Instruction: Student may make adjustments to grade mode, when applicable, by coming to the Students First Center.

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**Graduate Student Name** *

**Graduate Student UC Merced Email** *

**Faculty Instructor Name** *

**Faculty Instructor UC Merced Email** *

**Course Number** *

For example, COGS 295, SCS 295 or H 299. Graduate level independent studies courses.

**Number of Units** *

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Thinking Ahead-Fellowships and Grants

- Applying for internal and external fellowships and grants is an important part of graduate school.

- Applying for smaller grants at the beginning of your graduate career makes you a stronger candidate for the large fellowships once you advance to candidacy for the Ph.D.

- “How to Apply for Fellowships Workshop”- November 4th at 1pm
Tips for Applying

- Be mindful of deadlines.
  - Note if the deadlines is “postmarked” or “received by”

- Keep an excel sheet of all fellowships/grants and the deadlines
  - Name of fellowship
  - Amount
  - Deadline
  - Recommendors
  - Date notified
  - Date application submitted
  - Outcome

- Ask for letters of recommendation well in advance

- Carefully read the application requirements
Resources

- **Graduate Division**
  - [https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/funding/internal](https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/funding/internal)
  - [https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/funding/external](https://graduatedivision.ucmerced.edu/funding/external)

- **External Sites**
  - [https://www.gograd.org/financial-aid/scholarships/fellowships/](https://www.gograd.org/financial-aid/scholarships/fellowships/)
  - [https://www.grants.gov/](https://www.grants.gov/)
  - [https://grad.ucla.edu/funding/#/](https://grad.ucla.edu/funding/#/)