**April 2017 PawPrints - Graduate Student Update**

Have something you would like included in the next PawPrints?

Please submit any updates [here](https://go.ncsu.edu/pawprints)!

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**GSA Update:** [Minutes](https://gsa.ncsu.edu/about/resources/) from March All-Council meeting

**Congratulations to the new GSA Officers!**

Tyler Allen, President

Doug Czajka, VP of Internal

Nathan Corder, VP of External

Desirée Unselt, VP of Academic Affairs

Benjamin Dictus, VP of Communications

Meredith Spence Beaulieu, VP of Student Government Relations

Rachel Atkins, Secretary

Federico Scholcover, Treasurer

[Congratulations](https://news.chass.ncsu.edu/2017/03/27/photo-gallery-graduate-research-on-display-at-annual-symposium/) to the winners of the Graduate Student Research Symposium!

**Social Events:**

​**GSA Formal**!

#gsaformal2017 (use it before, during, after!)

Facebook Event --> [CLICK HERE](https://www.facebook.com/events/975717232528496/) - All graduate students welcome!

*April 21st from 7-10 pm* at the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences

The attire is formal or fancy.

**\*\*\*There are still a few tickets available! You can get them up until an hour before, but there are not many left so grab them quick. We are almost at capacity!\*\*\***

---Buy a ticket here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gsa-formal-2017-tickets-33069299164>---

**CBE GSA Fundraiser - Goodberry’s** at Cameron Village on **April 19**. Buy ice cream, support Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering.

**Adopt a Highway April 29 -** The GSA Community Service committee invites all graduate students to give back to the community by keeping it clean. We will be cleaning our adopted highway on April 29th from 9 AM to 1 PM. Location is a two mile stretch of DuRaleigh rd (SR 1664) from US 70 to Ebenezer Ch rd (SR 1649).This is a great opportunity for service hours. You are able to sign up for one of the two shifts available or you can stay the entire time. There will be free food and drinks available. We will also have a carpool to and from the highway. Please sign up by emailing chair-csc-gsa@ncsu.edu so we can get a head count for food and shuttle runs. We really appreciate your attendance and hope to see you there!

**Academic Events**:

**NIEHS Annual Biomedical Career Symposium** - The annual NIEHS Biomedical Career Symposium will be held on Friday, **April 21st** at the EPA. Registration will open on March 15th. For more information, visit <https://tools.niehs.nih.gov/careerfair>. This is a great opportunity to network and get some great feedback on how to polish up your resume or CV!

**Graduate School Updates**

* *Wednesday, April 12*

5:00pm—Final Error Free ETD Deadline

* *Friday, April 14*

Spring Holiday; no classes

* *Monday, April 17*

Classes resume at 8:30 a.m.

* *Week of April 24-28*

Last week of classes

* *Friday April 28*

Last day of classes

* *Monday, May 1*

ETD Committee Approval Deadline

* *Wednesday May 3*

Reading Day

* *Friday, May 12*

Grades due by 11:59pm

* *Saturday, May 13*

Graduation Day!

See the Doctoral Exam Schedule [here](https://grad.ncsu.edu/about/doctoral-exam-schedule/).

**Professional Development Opportunities**

A number of workshops are offered by the Graduate School through the Professional Development Initiative. Workshop subjects include Communication Skills, Academic Skills, Career Development, and Leadership and Professionalism. Students can add individual courses to their "watchlist" on REPORTER to be notified when new instances are added. Register for workshops [here](https://grad.ncsu.edu/students/professional-development/workshops/).

*Workshops April-May:*

* Understanding the Editorial Process (online)
* Working with Your Mentor or Advisor (online)
* How to Survive Your First Day of Class

\*\*For graduate students or postdocs who teach

* Thesis 101 for Master’s Students (online)
* Dissertation 101 for Doctoral Students (online)
* Writing a Dissertation Proposal (online)
* How to Engage with Diverse Learning Styles
* How to Manage Conflict in the Classroom