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## MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Dear Graduate Students,

**Welcome back to the campus!** I know some of you were working here all summer and about 2,500 of you are new, but we all experience the fall “back to school” feeling. Everything is possible, everything seems new.

This is the inaugural issue of the **eGrad** electronic newsletter. We want it to be your newsletter. We invite you to send in news regarding prizes you have won, honors you have been given—or any other information you wish to share with the graduate school community. We’ll use **eGrad** to notify you about workshops, fellowships, and yes, deadlines.

Have a great beginning of the year! Let us hear from you!

Mary Ann Mason  
Dean of the Graduate Division

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## GRADUATE DIVISION WORKSHOPS—FALL 2001

### DISSERTATION

#### Practical Strategies for Writing a Dissertation

- **October 10** for the sciences, engineering, and professional schools
- **October 5, October 30, and November 7** for the humanities and social sciences

Although students not yet advanced to candidacy may apply for enrollment, priority is given to those who are advanced. If you have advanced to candidacy, check your campus mailbox for a personal invitation, and be sure to register early. For more information, call 642-7330, or email [degrees@uclink.berkeley.edu](mailto:degrees@uclink.berkeley.edu).

### GRANT-WRITING

#### Applying for a Fulbright-III Grant, an introduction to the application process

- **September 6**, from 1 to 3 p.m., ASUC Senate Chambers, Eshleman Hall

Students are encouraged to bring their own copies of the Fulbright application and booklet to the workshop.

#### How to Write an Academic Grant Proposal, an introductory workshop

- **September 14**, from 1 to 3 p.m., ASUC Senate Chambers, Eshleman Hall.

## **How to Write an Academic Grant Proposal**, a mini-workshop

- **September 28**, from 1 to 2 p.m., ASUC Senate Chambers, Eshleman Hall.

There is no preregistration for the workshops listed above. Students can sign up for an individual grant proposal consultation on the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board outside 318 Sproul. Begin the grant process early, as appointment slots fill up quickly, particularly during the fall semester when most grant and fellowship applications are due. For more information, contact Sabrina Soracco, 301 Sproul Hall, 643-9392.

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## **CAMPUS WORKSHOPS—FALL 2001**

### **CAREER**

Andrew Green, Ph.D. Counselor at the Career Center, offers a number of fall events for graduate students, Ph.D.'s, and Postdocs. They include:

- **The Academic Job Search**
- **Campus Interviews & Nailing the Job Talk**
- **Looking Beyond Academia**

For dates and locations, check the Career Center Web site (<http://career.berkeley.edu/Phds/Phds.stm>).

### **COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES**

The Counseling and Psychological Services (CPS) and Social Services units of University Health Services offers free support groups and workshops for graduate students. Topics include managing procrastination, test anxiety, and time management. Pick up a flier on the third floor of the Tang Center or consult the CPS Web site (<http://www.uhs.berkeley.edu>) for more information.

### **HEALTH INSURANCE**

**Graduate Student Families**—University Health Services (UHS) can help you find health insurance to fit your family needs and budget. Over many years of assisting students, UHS has researched and identified a number of family-friendly plans. The costs and services of each one are outlined in a new UHS publication called “Health Insurance for Dependents.” UHS offers personal consultations as well. Contact the Student Health Insurance Office on the third floor of the Tang Center, 642-5700, for more information. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**How to Acquire U.S. Permanent Residence**—This two-hour workshop is offered by Services for International Students and Scholars (SISS) throughout the academic year. There is a fee. Call 642-2818 or drop by the SISS Office, International House, for details.

**Nonresident Tax Workshops**—These free workshops cover federal and state tax filing obligations and will be held in February and March for tax year 2001. Forms are provided. Dates and times will be posted on the International Student Listserv, which offers important bulletins for international students. Call SISS, 642-2818, to subscribe.

### **LIBRARY**

The Teaching Library offers free workshops for students, faculty, and staff on how to use the library's information resources and research tools. Consult the Web (<http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Instruction>) for more information.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Documentary Showcase**—Award-winning thesis documentaries from the School of Journalism will be shown September 11, 13, & 15, at 7:30 p.m., Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Screening Room, located on Third Street (between Mission and Howard), San Francisco. Free admission. For more information, consult the Web (<http://journalism.berkeley.edu/events/>).