ADVANCED DEGREE ORIENTATION

The orientation will start momentarily. Thank you for attending!

August 18, 2021
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• SOM graduate training-key information
• Fall 2021 logistics
• Highlighted resources and offices
• Immediate action items for all students
• Questions and answers
• Slides distributed and posted to Student Resources page
- ~1.5 miles (~2.5 km) between two campuses
- Bus and parking options: VCU Parking & Transportation
- All students may access resources on both campuses
- Use MCV resources whenever possible
TRANSITION TO GRADUATE TRAINING

- Courses
  - Team-taught
  - Increased pace of instruction
  - Increased depth of material
  - Expectation to learn and apply/integrate information
- Highly engaged research and clinical mentors
- Students manage multiple responsibilities concurrently (i.e. lab and classroom)
GETTING HELP

Graduate School, Other

SOM Graduate Education Office

Program Directors, Advisors, Instructors

~450 SOM Graduate Students
COVID-19 VACCINE EXPECTATIONS

• All students are **required to be vaccinated** against COVID-19 and **report vaccination** (religious and health exemptions)

• COVID-19 vaccinated students
  • masks required in all VCU spaces
  • surveillance testing, daily health checks, quarantine procedures and Entry Pass not required

• COVID-19 unvaccinated students with exemption
  • masks required in all VCU spaces
  • required surveillance testing, daily health checks, quarantine procedures, Entry Pass

• COVID-19 unvaccinated students without exemption
  • Cannot use VCU facilities
  • Registration hold applied
Guidelines for the VCU community during the COVID-19 pandemic

The campus experience is different than it was before the COVID-19 crisis. We all — the university, the students, and the faculty and staff — have a role to play in fostering a safe campus during COVID-19. As guidance, best practices and circumstances evolve, changes in operations, modes of instruction and services at the university may be required. This website serves as your hub for the latest information and resources.
Below are key resources available to all Doctoral, Master’s and Certificate trainees in the School of Medicine. Can't find what you are looking for? Please contact the School of Medicine Graduate Education Office for more information.

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• Fred Tugas—VCU Student Affairs
• Patrick Noonan—Title IX (Zoom)
• Karen Belanger—Honor System and Code of Conduct (Zoom)
• Ashley Clinton—Division for Academic Success
• Email is the official means of communication
• DegreeWorks is the official degree audit tool
• VCU Bulletin contains official degree requirements
• Calendars
  • SOM Graduate Student Resources -> Academic and Other Calendars
  • VCU Academic Calendar

• Must complete current program to enroll in more advanced SOM or SOD program
  • MS to PHD
  • Premedical certificate to MD
  • Premedical certificate to DDS
IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS

• Today or ASAP:
  • Obtain VCU ID card: instructions and appointments
  • Find eID, create password, set-up email account: instructions
  • Submit SOM acknowledgements: Student Resources -> Graduate Student On-Boarding
  • Title IX training

• Before 8/24: Meet with Program Directors

• On 8/24: attend courses 😊

• Lunch Sanger 1-038
QUESTIONS?