BE A CHAMPION FOR
GRADUATE EDUCATION ON
YOUR CAMPUS
Florida State University

• Public, Research 1
• 40,000+ students
  • ~8,500 graduate and professional
• Emphasis on doctoral education
  • 78 doctoral programs
  • ~400+ doctorates/year
• Master’s education
  • 121 master’s programs
  • >2,000 master’s/year
The Public Research University

• Graduate education, particularly doctoral education is central to the mission of the research university.
• The Graduate Dean needs to be an advocate (= champion, spokesperson) for the importance of graduate education to the mission of the university.
• THIS STARTS AT HOME
How to be an effective champion?

- Become knowledgeable about your graduate programs and the issues facing graduate students so that you can speak passionately about these topics
  - Meet with college deans and others as appropriate
  - Become familiar with the data (enrollment, degrees, time to degree, stipends, financial aid etc.)
  - Assess the needs
  - Develop a message that articulates the importance of graduate education at your university
Now get to work

• Inform key campus constituents about issues (e.g. competitive support packages; how graduate students contribute to teaching and research)
  – Meetings (Provost, deans, HR, GEMC, GPDs)
  – Communicate with federal and state liaisons
  – Social media (blogs, twitter)
  – Forward articles of interest from the Chronicle, CGS

• Highlight graduate education
  – Website
  – Flyers
  – Brochures
Be a champion

• Don’t just invite the President to events; include the President in the event
  – Welcome at Celebration of Student Excellence
  – Co-host of Doctoral reception prior to each commencement; makes remarks
  – At commencement the President addresses the doctoral students in the robing room
  – Make sure the President’s speech writer includes elements about graduate education as appropriate
Quick Facts

Florida State University
Graduate & Professional Education Quick Facts: Fall 2015

Total Graduate Enrollment 2015

- Doctoral: 2725
- Master’s: 3892
- Specialist: 123
- Law: 596
- Medicine: 483

Degrees Awarded Fall 2015

- Doctoral: 433
- Master’s & Specialist: 13

Tuition & Fees Per Credit Hour

- In-State
  - Graduate (Main Campus): $475.32
  - Law (West): $488.91
  - Graduate (Panama City): $642.26
- Out-Of-State
  - Graduate (Main Campus): $930.71
  - Law (West): $835.50
  - Graduate (Panama City): $1075.60

Financial Support

- FRAMU Fellow (2)
- McNair Fellow (8)
- Midwestern Dissertation Fellows (4)
- Wilson Azarime Assistantships (12)
- Manderson Fellows (7)
- Adequate Wilson Fellows (2)
- Bevier Fellowship (1)
- Legacy Fellows (14)
- Gubernatorial Fellows (8)
- International Dissertation Summer Research Fellows (8)

Course Load

- Full Time: 30%
- Part Time: 70%

Gender

- Male: 56%
- Female: 44%

Race & Ethnicity

- White: 58%
- Black: 8%
- Hispanic: 8%
- Asian: 2%
- Multi-Race: 3%
- Other: 19%

Academics

- 16 Colleges
- 80 Doctoral Programs

- 28 Specialist & Advanced Masters
- 128 Master’s Degrees
- 21 Specialist Degree Programs

- 18 Combined Undergrad to Graduate
- 40 Graduate Certificate Programs
- 3 Professional Degrees
Overview folder
We want to hear about your accomplishments!

Stay connected to graduate education at Florida State University. *The Grad Connection*, published twice annually, features highlights of current happenings in graduate education at FSU as well as alumni news.

If you or someone you know is a current graduate student or alumni, and has had a recent publication, grant, promotion, or other noteworthy achievement, we'd love to feature it in the official Graduate School newsletter, GradConnection. Please fill out the quick form at the following link to tell us of the achievement.
Success stories

Say It In 6

Could you tell your story in just six words? In our Say It In 6 series, FSU graduate students do just that, sharing their graduate school and fellowship experiences in a half dozen words. Students then expand briefly on their “Say It In 6.” Some reflect on why they chose to go to graduate school while others share how their fellowships have changed their lives. Click through to learn more about each student. FSU graduate students are among the best in the country; these are their stories.

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