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A STRATEGIC ROADMAP FOR DOCTORAL STUDENT SUCCESS
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

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Career Connections Center
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352 392 1601
career.ufl.edu

Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere
200 Walker Hall (14898 Union Road)
352 392 0796
humanities.ufl.edu

Center for Teaching Excellence
200 Bryant Hall (1772 Stadium Road)
352 294 0811
teach.ufl.edu

Counseling & Wellness Center
3190 Radio Road
352 392 1575
counseling.ufl.edu

Career Connections Center
3190 Radio Road
352 392 4215
counseling.ufl.edu

Center for Written and Oral Communication
402 Rolfs Hall (341 Buckman Drive)
352 392 5421
cwoc.ufl.edu

Editorial Office
128 Grinner Hall (1523 Union Road)
352 392 1282
graduateschool.ufl.edu/editorial

GatorWell Health Promotion Services
1100 J Wayne Reitz Union (655 Museum Road)
352 273 4450
gatorwell.ufl.edu

Graduate Student Council
3102 Reitz Union Drive
ufgscsecretary@gmail.com
ufgsc.sg.ufl.edu

International Center
170 The Hub (1765 Stadium Road)
352 392 5333
internationalcenter.ufl.edu

Office of Biomedical Research Career Development
CG72 Communicore Ground Floor
352 294 8335
graddev.ufl.ufl.org

Office of Graduate Diversity Initiatives
123 Grinner Hall (1523 Union Road)
352 2392 6444
graduateschool.ufl.edu/ogdi

Office of Graduate Professional Development
129 Grinner Hall (1523 Union Road)
352 294 0488
graduateschool.ufl.edu/ogpd

Office of the Ombuds
31 Tigert Hall (300 SW 13th Street)
352 392 1308
www.ombuds.ufl.edu

Research Integrity at UF Office of Research
460 Grinner Hall (1523 Union Road)
352 392 9174 or (toll-free) 1 877 555 5256
research.ufl.edu/compliance/research-integrity.html

Student Activities and Involvement
Level 3 Reitz Union (686 Museum Road)
352 392 1671
www.studentinvolvement.ufl.edu

UF Innovate
747 SW 2nd Avenue
352 294 0885
innovate.research.ufl.edu

U Matter We Care
202 Peabody Hall (1500 Union Road)
352 294 CARE (2273)
umatter.ufl.edu

UF Libraries
352 273 2525
Multiple locations across campus
Online map: www.uflib.ufl.edu/liblocations.html

UF Training and Organizational Development
1603 UF East Campus (2140 NE Waldo Road)
352 392 4626
learn-and-grow.hr.ufl.edu

Writing Studio
339 Turlington Hall (330 Newell Drive)
352 384 6138
writing.ufl.edu

UF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL
## EARLY STAGE
**Doctor of Philosophy: 1-2 years**

- Develop broad-based knowledge of field
- Determine broader topic for your thesis
- Identify and develop tools and skills needed for research
- Complete safety and other required training
- Learn about Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR)
- Learn how to use citation manager software
- Identify dissertation supervisory committee members
- Learn about rigor and reproducibility in research

## MIDDLE STAGE
**Doctor of Philosophy: 2-4 years**

- Start writing articles for publication
- Develop dissertation proposal or project proposal/prospectus
- Learn proper data management
- Continue to develop expertise and skills
- Complete qualifying exams
- Engage in heavy data gathering
- Complete proposal writing training
- Complete data visualization training

## FINAL STAGE
**Doctor of Philosophy: 4-6 years**

- Practice presenting dissertation to peers and faculty
- Ensure appropriate storage and access of data and protocols
- Write dissertation
- Publish research
- Develop independent research plan

### Research Skills and Knowledge

- Join professional society in field
- Volunteer for organizations and conferences in field
- Develop funding plan and apply for fellowships and grants
- Help organize events

### Management and Leadership

- Start to build intentional network
- Do internship or externship
- Contact potential collaborators and employers
- Explore career options
- Update curriculum vitae/résumé
- Attend networking events and workshops
- Revisit and revise Individual Development Plan (IDP)
- Develop "elevator pitch"
- Present to "lay" audiences and engage in outreach
- Present at conferences specific to your field
- Attend communication workshops
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### Effectiveness and Purpose

- Strengthen and expand network
- Find out about local and international funding
- Serve on university committees
- Engage in student organizations and community outreach
- Present at conferences
- Expand pool of mentors and peers
- Gain international experience
- Develop social media presence

### Professionalism

- Attend teaching assistant workshops
- Visit the Dial Center for Written and Oral Communication
- Take a proposal writing course
- Learn your field’s publications, submission standards, and writing styles
- Participate in conferences, seminars, and department events
- Identify and address different leadership and work styles
- Identify international opportunities
- Practice cultural awareness and inclusion
- Identify and adhere to norms or professional conduct

### Communication

- Serve as a teaching assistant or teach course
- Present at Graduate Student Research Day
- Attend communication workshops
- Present at conferences specific to your field
- Present to "lay" audiences and engage in outreach
- Develop "elevator pitch"

### Career Advancement

- Create Individual Development Plan (IDP)
- Research career options inside and outside of academia
- Meet with career services
- Set up LinkedIn profile
- Research internships
- Revisit and revise Individual Development Plan (IDP)
- Attend networking events and workshops
- Update curriculum vitae/résumé
- Explore career options
- Contact potential collaborators and employers
- Do internship or externship
- Start to build intentional network
- Review curriculum vitae or résumé with mentors and colleagues
- Attend career fairs and interview/negotiation workshops
- Conduct informational interviews
- Refine LinkedIn profile
- Prepare job application materials and practice "job talk"
- Apply for any necessary visas

### Other Activities

- Help organize events
- Develop social media presence
- Gain international experience
- Engage in student organizations and community outreach
- Serve on university committees
- Find out about local and international funding
- Strengthen and expand network
- Present at conferences
- Present at Graduate Student Research Day
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### Important Dates

- Doctor of Philosophy: 1-2 years
- Doctor of Philosophy: 2-4 years
- Doctor of Philosophy: 4-6 years