Welcome to Graduate Student Day
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Greetings,

On behalf of The Graduate School at the University of South Carolina, welcome to Graduate Student Day.

Held each spring, Graduate Student Day brings together a diverse group of scholars across all disciplines within the university community. This year we are showcasing the research and talent of more than 145 graduate students selected from 43 disciplines. Whether you are a member of the USC community, a judge, a volunteer, or a student-presenter, your participation today highlights the quality and importance of graduate research at Carolina.

Our competitions will be in four categories: Oral Research, Creative, Poster and the 3-Minute Thesis/Dissertation Speech. The public is invited to all sessions.

Graduate Student Day winners will be announced at the awards ceremony, where recipients of several other university and departmental awards will also be announced. The ceremony will take place from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. in the Russell House Ballroom. Please join us.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lacy Ford  
Dean of Graduate Studies

Dr. Jessica Elfenbein  
Sr. Associate Dean, The Graduate School
The Graduate School would like to thank the following:

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Graduate Student Day

SUNRISE SESSIONS
Sunrise Session Presenter and Judge Registration 7:30 – 8:30 AM
Russell House Ballroom

Poster Presentations 8:30 – 10:15 AM
Russell House 205, 302, 303, 304

Oral Research Presentations 8:30 – 10:15 AM
Callcott 003, 102 & 202; Sumwalt 305; Russell House 203, 305, 315
Wardlaw 126

3-Minute Thesis/Dissertation Speeches 8:30 – 10:15 AM
Russell House Theater

MIDMORNING SESSIONS
Midmorning Session Presenter and Judge Registration
9:30–10:30 AM  Russell House Ballroom

Poster Presentations, 10:30 AM – 12:15 PM
Russell House 205, 302, 303, 304

Oral Research Presentations, 10:30 AM –12:15 PM
Callcott 003, 102 & 202; Sumwalt 305, Russell House 203, 305, 315;
Wardlaw 126
Condensed Schedule

MIDMORNING SESSION, cont.

Creative Presentations, 10:30 – 12:15 PM, Wardlaw 126

LUNCH

All participants and judges are invited to lunch, compliments of The Graduate School and catered by chef Scott Hall from Bone-In Artisan Barbeque on Wheels.

Sunrise Session Presenters and Judges Lunch, 12:00 – 1:00 PM
Russell House Ballroom

Midmorning Session Presenters and Judges Lunch, 12:30 – 1:30 PM
Russell House Ballroom

AWARDS CEREMONY

Graduate Student Day Awards Ceremony, 1:30 – 2:30 PM
Russell House Ballroom

POST CEREMONY

Extended Research Demonstration, “Ghosts of the Horseshoe” 3:00–4:00 PM, on the Horseshoe (see an event description on p. 34)
Campus Maps

Russell House

Wardlaw
Campus Maps

Callcott Social Science Center

Sumwalt
## Schedule of Events

### ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
**Sunrise Session 8:30-10:15 a.m. Calcott 003**

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**JUDGES**
Dr. Angela Murphy, School of Medicine  
Dr. Yordanka Ilieva, College of Arts & Sciences

### ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
**Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Calcott 102**

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<td>Jui-Heng Tseng</td>
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<td>Rahim Ghorbani</td>
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<td>Civil Engineering</td>
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Hossen Mustafa  
Computer Science & Engineering  
9:30 a.m.  9:45 a.m.

Dhaval Salvi  
Computer Science & Engineering  
9:50 a.m.  10:05 a.m.

JUDGES 
Dr. Michael Bizimis, College of Arts & Sciences 
Dr. Lucia Pirisi-Creek, School of Medicine

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION 
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Calcott 202

Yu Cao  
Computer Science & Engineering  
8:30 a.m.  8:45 a.m.

Pietro Cairoli  
Electrical Engineering  
8:50 a.m.  9:05 a.m.

Abdul Talukdar  
Electrical Engineering  
9:10 a.m.  9:25 a.m.

Xuan Zhao  
Mechanical Engineering  
9:30 a.m.  9:45 a.m.

Phyllis Mbewe  
Civil Engineering  
9:50 a.m.  10:05 a.m.

JUDGES 
Dr. Cory Robinson, School of Medicine 
Dr. Chris Williams, College of Engineering and Computing
ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Sumwalt 305

Zhiyong Wang 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Chemical Engineering

Xuehu Wang 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Electrical Engineering

Jarrell Waggoner 9:10 a.m 9:25 a.m.
Computer Science and Engineering

Youjie Zhou 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.
Computer Science and Engineering

Ye Tian 9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m.
Physics

JUDGES
Dr. Thomas Makris, College of Arts and Sciences
Dr. Roger Newman-Norlund, College of Arts and Sciences

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 203

Brian Warby 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Political Science

Yue Hu 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Political Science

Ali Masood 9:10 a.m 9:25 a.m.
Political Science
Clay Fuller
Political Science
9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.

Evan Kutzler
History
9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Stan Dubinsky, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Paul Solomon, College of Mass Communications & Information Studies

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 305

Sueanna Smith
English
8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.

Justine Wells
English
8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.

Adriane Woods
Spanish
9:10 a.m. 9:25 a.m.

Jennipher Griffin
Teaching
9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.

Kimberly Howard
Foundations of Education
9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Alexander Moore, USC Press
Dr. Mark Uline, College of Engineering and Computing
ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:35 a.m. Russell House 315

Peter Warren 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Kassandra Alia 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Andrea Lamont 9:10 a.m 9:25 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Sara St. George 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Matthew Facciani 9:50 a.m. 10:05 a.m
Experimental Psychology

Alexandria Reynolds 10:10 a.m. 10:25 a.m.
Experimental Psychology

JUDGES
Dr. Deborah Billings, Arnold School of Public Health
Dr. Jennifer Nyland, School of Medicine

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Wardlaw 126

Greg Harris 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m.
Chemical Engineering

Ramin Madarshahian 8:50 a.m. 9:05 a.m.
Civil Engineering
Sabih Omar  
Electrical Engineering  
9:10 a.m.  9:25 a.m.  

Xing Zhao  
Mechanical Engineering  
9:30 a.m.  9:45 a.m.  

Xin Chen  
Mechanical Engineering  
9:50 a.m.  10:05 a.m  

JUDGES  
Dr. Denise Finneran, Arnold School of Public Health  
Dr. Andy Pope, Arnold School of Public Health  

POSTER PRESENTATION  
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 205  

Pet Dawn LaRosa  
Teaching  
8:30 a.m.  

DaBetta Smith  
Teaching  
8:42 a.m.  

Helen Mulhern Halasz  
Educational Administration  
8:54 a.m  

Chia-Hua Lin  
Philosophy  
9:06 a.m.  

JUDGES  
Dr. Joohyung Park, College of Hospitality, Retail & Sport Management  
Dr. Maria C. Mabrey, College of Arts & Sciences
POSTER PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 302

Andrea Pascui  8:30 a.m.
Chemistry & Biochemistry

Anshika Jain  8:42 a.m.
Biological Sciences

Khaleh Thomas  8:54 a.m.
Chemistry & Biochemistry

Ufuk Ozer  9:06 a.m.
Biological Sciences

Grandon Wilson  9:18 a.m.
Biological Sciences

Rupa Velidandla  9:30 a.m.
Pharmaceutical Sciences

Arjun Trivedi  9:42 a.m.
Physics

Shu Yan  9:54 a.m.
Physics

JUDGES
Dr. Murray Mitchell, The Graduate School
Dr. Scott White, College of Arts & Sciences
POSTER PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 303

Jacob Rougeaux 8:30 a.m.
Earth & Environmental Resources Management

Erin Derrick 8:42 a.m.
Geological Sciences

Brittany Marshall 8:54 a.m.
Geological Sciences

Jessica Hogan 9:06 a.m.
Marine Science

Michael Philben 9:18 a.m.
Marine Science

Kristen Miller 9:30 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

Eva Preisner 9:42 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

Andrew Stroud 9:54 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

JUDGES
Dr. Susan Wood, School of Medicine
Dr. Glenda Alvarado, College of Mass Communications & Information Studies
POSTER PRESENTATION
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House 304

Morgan Taylor 8:30 a.m.
Health Policy, Education & Behavior

Emily Heberlein 8:42 a.m.
Health Policy, Education & Behavior

Amira Osman 8:54 a.m.
Health Policy, Education & Behavior

Otis Owens 9:06 a.m.
Health Policy, Education & Behavior

Yi Jhen Li 9:18 a.m.
Health Services Policy & Management

Meng-han Tsai 9:30 a.m.
Health Services Policy & Management

Brittani Harmon 9:42 a.m.
Health Services Policy & Management

Grishma Bhavsar 9:54 a.m.
Health Services Policy & Management

JUDGES
Dr. Bradley Smith, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Gregorio Gomez, School of Medicine
3 MINUTE THESIS/DISSERTATION SPEECH
Sunrise Session 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Russell House Theater

Grishma Acharya
Biological Sciences

Betsy Davis
Clinical-Community Psychology

Ekaterina Altman
Earth & Environmental Resources Management

Supratim Das Gupta
Economics

Matthew Boedy
English

Manali Baruah
Geography

Christopher Frear
Journalism

Michael Spicher
Philosophy

Suchit Sahai
Biomedical Engineering

Alycia Roberts
School Psychology
JUDGES
Dr. Jonathan Edwards, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Jessica Elfenbein, The Graduate School
Dr. Pat Malone, College of Arts & Sciences

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Callcott 003

Katherine Allen 10:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
Biological Sciences

Swati Tomar 10:50 a.m. 11:05 a.m.
Biomedical Sciences

Qiang Zhang 11:10 a.m. 11:25 a.m.
Chemistry & Biochemistry

Bridget Bachman 11:30 a.m. 11:45 a.m.
Marine Science

James McClinton 11:50 a.m. 12:05 p.m.
Geological Sciences

JUDGES
Dr. Srihari Nelakuditi, College of Engineering and Computing
Dr. Xiaomin Deng, College of Engineering and Computing
Dr. Guoan Wang, College of Engineering and Computing

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Callcott 102

Padmavathy Nandha Premnath 10:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
Pharmaceutical Sciences
Chen Zhao  
Chemistry & Biochemistry  
10:50 a.m.  11:05 a.m.

Jennifer Fill  
Biological Sciences  
11:10 a.m.  11:25 a.m.

Antonello Simonetti  
Geological Sciences  
11:30 a.m.  11:45 a.m.

Yuan Shen  
Marine Science  
11:50 a.m.  12:05 p.m.

JUDGES

Dr. Sara Rothenberg, Arnold School of Public Health
Dr. Claudia Grillo, School of Medicine
Dr. Melissa George, College of Arts & Sciences

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Callcott 202

David Elliott  
Biomedical Science  
10:30 a.m.  10:45 a.m.

Cedric Fichot  
Marine Science  
10:50 a.m.  11:05 a.m.

Joseph Swanstrom  
Chemistry & Biochemistry  
11:10 a.m.  11:25 a.m.
Tyler Evans 11:30 a.m. 11:45 a.m.
Geological Sciences

Kayla Pate 11:50 a.m. 12:05 p.m.
Chemical Engineering

JUDGES
Dr. Adela Vraciu, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Ken Watkins, Arnold School of Public Health
Dr. Krishna Mandal, College of Engineering & Computing

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 203

Nino Danelia 10:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.
Mass Communications

Ana Keshelashvili 10:50 a.m. 11:05 a.m.
Mass Communications

Wan Chi Leung 11:10 a.m. 11:25 a.m.
Mass Communications

Ashley Miller 11:30 a.m. 11:45 a.m.
Mass Communications

Yue Zheng 11:50 a.m. 12:05 p.m.
Mass Communications

JUDGES
Dr. Jung-Hwan Kim, College of Hospitality, Retail & Sport Management
Dr. Jim Kellogg, College of Arts & Sciences
### Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 305

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### JUDGES
- Dr. Mark Weist, College of Arts & Sciences
- Dr. Stacy Fritz, Arnold School of Public Health

### Midmorning Session 11:00 a.m.-12:25 p.m. Russell House 315

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Carl Frisby  
Geological Sciences  

JUDGES  
Dr. Ray Thompson, Arnold School of Public Health  
Dr. Rutvik Desai, College of Arts & Sciences  

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION  
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
Russell House Theater  

Brian Smith  
Marine Science  

Suvarthi Das  
Environmental Health Sciences  

Erin Howie  
Exercise Science  

Robin Shook  
Exercise Science  

JUDGES  
Dr. Sudha Xirasagar, Arnold School of Public Health  
Dr. Ehsan Jabbarzadeh, College of Engineering & Computing  

ORAL RESEARCH PRESENTATION  
Midmorning Session 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  
Sumwalt 305  

Jessica Sido  
Biomedical Sciences
Olusoga Akintunde
Geological Sciences
10:50 a.m.  11:05 a.m.

Sunil Tomar
Biomedical Sciences
11:10 a.m.  11:25 a.m.

John Peurifoy
Geological Sciences
11:30 a.m.  11:45 a.m.

Clifford Felton
Marine Science
11:50 a.m.  12:05 p.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Lauren Clark, Office of Research
Dr. Jon Goodall, College of Engineering & Computing

POSTER PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 205

Porchia Moore
Library and Information Science
10:30 a.m

Burcu Gokgoz Kurt
Linguistics
10:42 a.m.

Shinichi Shoji
Linguistics
10:54 a.m.

Hwalbin Kim
Mass Communications
11:06 a.m.

Elizabeth Price
Political Science
11:18 a.m.
Caitlin Mans
Public History
11:30 a.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Norma Frizzell, School of Medicine
Dr. Satish Jayachandran, Moore School of Business

POSTER PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 302

Anahita Adbollahi Govar
Chemical Engineering
10:30 a.m

Mohsen Nikkhoo
Chemical Engineering
10:42 a.m.

Mohamed Morsy
Civil Engineering
10:54 a.m.

Jiting Xu
Computer Science & Engineering
11:06 a.m.

Md Nazmul Alum
Electrical Engineering
11:18 a.m.

Fatima Asif
Electrical Engineering
11:30 a.m.

Faisal Jahan
Electrical Engineering
11:42 a.m.

Sakib Mohammed Muhtadi
Electrical Engineering
11:54 a.m.
JUDGES
Dr. Li Chen, College of Engineering & Computing
Dr. Ralf Gothe, College of Arts & Sciences

POSTER PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 303

Leah Baker 10:30 a.m.
Environmental Health Sciences

Jessica Baer 10:42 a.m.
Exercise Science

Melissa Kolar 10:54 a.m.
Exercise Science

Joyce Middleton 11:06 a.m.
Exercise Science

Kamaljeet Kuar 11:18 a.m.
Exercise Science

Arpit Saxena 11:30 a.m.
Exercise Science

Dayna LeBlanc 11:42 a.m.
Physical Activity & Public Health

JUDGES
Dr. Eric Sevigny, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Linda Hazlett, Arnold School of Public Health
POSTER PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Russell House 304

Lauren Datillo 10:30 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Isha Metzger 10:42 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Sara Schmidt 10:54 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Danielle Willis 11:06 a.m.
Clinical-Community Psychology

Charity Griffin 11:18 a.m.
School Psychology

Jennifer Olejarczyk 11:30 a.m.
Experimental Psychology

Jing Wang 11:42 a.m.
Experimental Psychology

Christina Braga 11:54 a.m.
Counselor Education

JUDGES
Dr. Lana Burgess, College of Arts & Sciences
Dr. Pamela Jewett, College of Education
CREATIVE PRESENTATION
Midmorning Session 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Wardlaw 126

Brandi Ballard
Creative Writing
10:30 a.m.

Celia James, Amanda Knoll, Richard Walker
History
10:55 a.m.

Devin Sherman, Andy Jurik
Music Performance
11:20 a.m.

JUDGES
Dr. Jennifer Arns, College of Mass Communications & Information Studies
Dr. Danny Jenkins, School of Music
Dr. Lorne Hofseth, College of Pharmacy
Graduate Student Day

RUSSELL HOUSE BALLROOM, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

WELCOME
Dr. Lacy K. Ford Jr.
Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies

OPENING REMARKS
Dr. Jessica Elfenbein
Senior Associate Dean, The Graduate School

Danielle Schoffman
President, Graduate Student Association

Wright Culpepper
Conference Organizer, The Graduate School

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Center for Teaching Excellence
Preparing Future Faculty (PFF)

PRESENTER: Dr. Christy Friend

Office of the Vice President for Research
Support to Promote Advancement of Research and Creativity (SPARC) Awards

PRESENTER: Dr. Lauren Clark

The Graduate School

Dean’s Award for Excellence in Leadership
Brittany Garvin, Teaching and Learning
Danielle Schoffman, Health Promotion, Education, and Behavior
Awards Ceremony

**Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award**
Laura Enzor, Biology  
Michael Spicher, Philosophy

**George M. Reeves Graduate Fellowship**
Joseph Swanstrom, Chemistry

**Dera D. Parkinson Graduate Fellowship**
Xin Chen, Mechanical Engineering

**C. C. Royal Graduate Fellowship**
Abdul Talukdar, Electrical Engineering

**Charles Coker Graduate Fellowship**
Katina Kulow, Marketing  
Yijia Zhao, Finance

**Rhude M. Patterson Graduate Fellowship**
Sandra Coulon, Clinical-Community Psychology  
Alexandria Reynolds, Experimental Psychology

**Outstanding Thesis Award**
Marc Demont, French  
Gary Grunseich, Geological Sciences  
James T McClinton, Geological Sciences

PRESENTER: Dr. Jessica Elfenbein

**USC Mortar Board Chapter**

**Mortar Board Fellowship for Graduate and Professional Studies**
John Terry, Clinical-Community Psychology

PRESENTER: Dr. Jessica Elfenbein
The Graduate School
Graduate Student Day Competition Awards

Oral Research Presentation

First Place: Jessica Sido, Biomedical Sciences
Second Place: Swati Tomar, Biomedical Sciences
Third Place: Robin Shook, Exercise Science

Room winners
Yuan Shen, Marine Science
Ali Masood, Political Science
Abdul Talukdar, Electrical Engineering
Dhaval Salvi, Computer Science & Engineering
Wan Chi Leung, Mass Communications
Sara St. George, Clinical-Community Psychology
Tawhid Rana, Electrical Engineering
Sabih Omar, Electrical Engineering
Danielle Shofman, Health Promotion, Education & Behavior
Kayla Pate, Chemical Engineering
Jessica Price, Geological Sciences
Kimberly Howard, Foundations of Education
Jarrell Waggoner, Computer Science & Engineering

Creative Performance

First Place (tie): Brandi Ballard, Creative Writing
Devin Sherman and Andy Jurik, Music Performance

Poster Presentation

First Place: Jing Wang, Experimental Psychology
Second Place: Chia-Hua Lin, Philosophy
Third Place: Jessica Hogan, Marine Science

Room winners
Otis Owens, Health Promotion, Education & Behavior
Elizabeth Price, Political Science
Arpit Saxena, Exercise Science
Fatima Asif, Electrical Engineering
Rupa Velidandla, Pharmaceutical Sciences
3 Minute Thesis/Dissertation Speech

First Place: Christopher Frear, Journalism
Second Place: Michael Spicher, Philosophy
Third Place: Betsy Davis, Clinical-Community Psychology

PRESENTER: Wright Culpepper
Ghosts of the Horseshoe

Graduate Student-Led Tour, 3-4 PM
On the Horseshoe

In Spring 2011, Dr. Bob Weyeneth and a team of graduate students in public history researched and published to a website their investigation into USC’s historic Horseshoe as a “landscape of slavery.” Graduate students from the Department of Computer Science and Engineering and the Film and Media Studies and Media Arts programs teamed up with USC faculty and staff to create an augmented reality (AR) application based on that research.

"Ghosts of the Horseshoe is the product of a unique hybrid pedagogy that has integrated computer scientists and humanists. The aim of the critical interactive is to bring to visibility the largely unknown history of slavery that made materially possible the physical site of what is now the heart of USC.” -Dr. Duncan Buell and Dr. Heide Rae Cooley

The Ghosts project is affiliated with the Center for Digital Humanities at the University of South Carolina. Please join us on the Horseshoe, and plan to bring your iPad to see the critical interactive.