



Graduate School

2020 Fall Update with the President and Provost

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Progress/accomplishments

- Transitioned to working remotely while maintaining productivity and being responsive to graduate students and faculty needs
- Maintained graduate enrollment even with significant decrease in international graduate students enrolling fall 2020
- Developed and Implemented Online Graduate Student Orientation
 - Course in Canvas with six modules
 - Course supplemented with Zoom sessions
 - Course available from admissions to graduation
 - 3,956 invitations student issued; 3,390 accepted course invitation
 - More than 90 new graduate students participate in one of Zoom sessions



Progress/accomplishments

- Enhanced Operational Effectiveness
 - All forms are now operational in Decisions.
 - Students must use electronic forms effective Fall 2020.
 - Implement RightSignature for Ballots Effective Fall 2020
- Transitioned to centralized inquiry form
- Transitioned to new website with the support of New Boston and Division of Communications and Marketing
- Implemented new appointment templates for initial and continuing graduate student assistantship appointments



Progress/accomplishments

- Migrated New Graduate Faculty Orientation to Canvas Course
 - Introduced Canvas Course in October, 2020
 - Course invitation sent to 86 graduate faculty appointed between April and October 2020
 - 75 accepted invitation
 - Over 50 participated in one of the zoom sessions to highlight graduate faculty responsibilities and respond to their questions.



Progress/accomplishments

- Continued Academic, Professional, and Personal Development Opportunities for Graduate Students
 - GSC Professional Development seminars and workshops
 - GSC Research Forums and Three Minute Thesis Competition
 - Kansas Science Communication Initiative opportunities
 - Leadership Development Program in partnership with Leadership Studies
 - Research seminar series presented by K-State Libraries



Progress/accomplishments

- Graduate degree program approved
 - EdD in Community College Leadership
- Concurrent Bachelor/Master's degree approved
 - Computer Science
- Graduate certificate programs approved
 - Regulatory Affairs in Animal Health
 - Socially Responsible Information Science: Ethics in the Data Sciences

Key metrics

- Complete applications for degree seeking students
 - Master's 2299 (1862 Domestic and 437 International) (+203)
 - Doctoral 1090 (468 Domestic and 622 International) (-25)
- Headcount fall 2020: 4120
- Degree analyst processed minimum of 3700 documents monthly
- Degrees and certificates awarded for FY 20
 - Doctoral 211 (-15 compared to FY 19)
 - Master's 1130 (+12 compared to FY 19)
 - Certificates 109 (+22 compared to FY 19)
- 22 program reviews several with multiple sub-plans completed by Graduate Council Assessment and Review Committee



Key metrics

- Processed 730 inquires into CollegeNet from May 20, 2020
- 268 graduate students and postdocs attended or viewed at least one seminar/workshop
 - 60 receiving GSC Professional Development Certificates
- 39 graduate students participated in Research and State
 - 10 represented K-State at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in February 2020
- 30 graduate students participated in Three Minute Thesis
- 50 graduate students participated in leadership roles or served on GSC committees
- 21 active Graduate School Ambassadors from 7 colleges

Top priorities moving forward

- Transition to new leadership with Dr. Claudia Petrescu
- Employ an individual with recruitment and marketing expertise
- Prepare for transition from Prospect to TargetX (CRM) and enhance communication flow
- Create customized program of study e-form template in Decisions for programs with same requirements for all graduate students
- Continue to enhance content of new website