



OCTOBER 2023 GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL

DECEMBER 2023

THE STUDENT CARE NETWORK

JANUARY 2024

THINGS TO DO IN NASHVILLE

MARCH 2024

STUDENT HEALTH **INSURANCE PLAN (SHIP)**

APRIL 2024

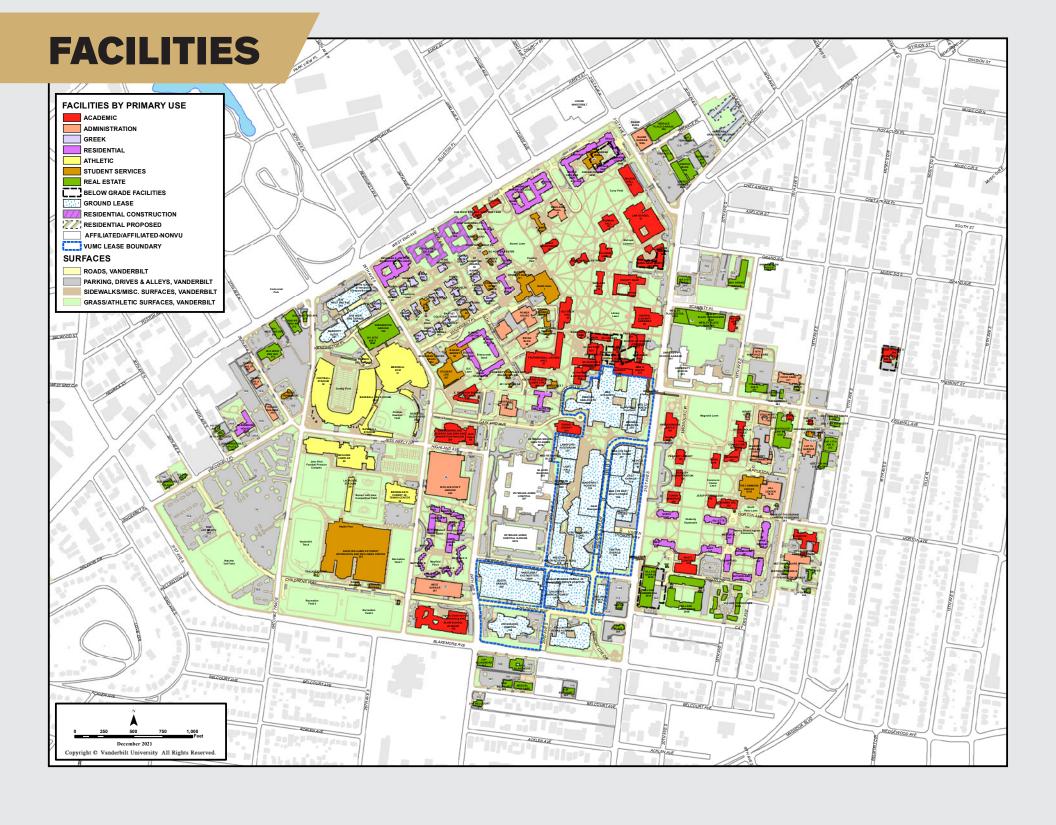
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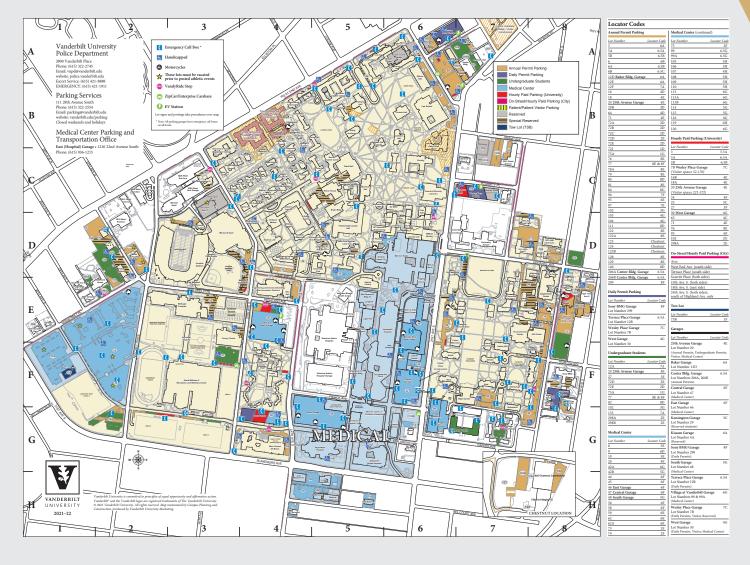
JUNE 2024

THE WOND'RY & THE TURNER FAMILY CENTER

JULY 2024







PARKING

PARKING OPTIONS

Vanderbilt offers both a daily and an annual parking program that includes five parking locations. In the daily program, participants pay to park only on days they drive a vehicle to campus. Only daily parking participants have access to the daily parking facilities and are eligible for sustainable commute incentives and programs.

- Existing daily parking program participants: If you are already enrolled, you do not need to reapply.
- New applicants: Applications are continually accepted on a rolling basis. You must apply by Wednesday at noon to begin daily parking by the end of that week.



RIDE THE BUS FREE WITH YOUR COMMODORE CARD

Vanderbilt provides all full-time and part-time faculty, staff, postdocs and students with free access to WeGo local buses, regional buses and WeGo Star with their physical Commodore Card. This service is available for any place and time, not only when commuting to and from or across campus.

If you have additional questions or would like more help considering your best options, contact the *movevu@vanderbilt.edu*.



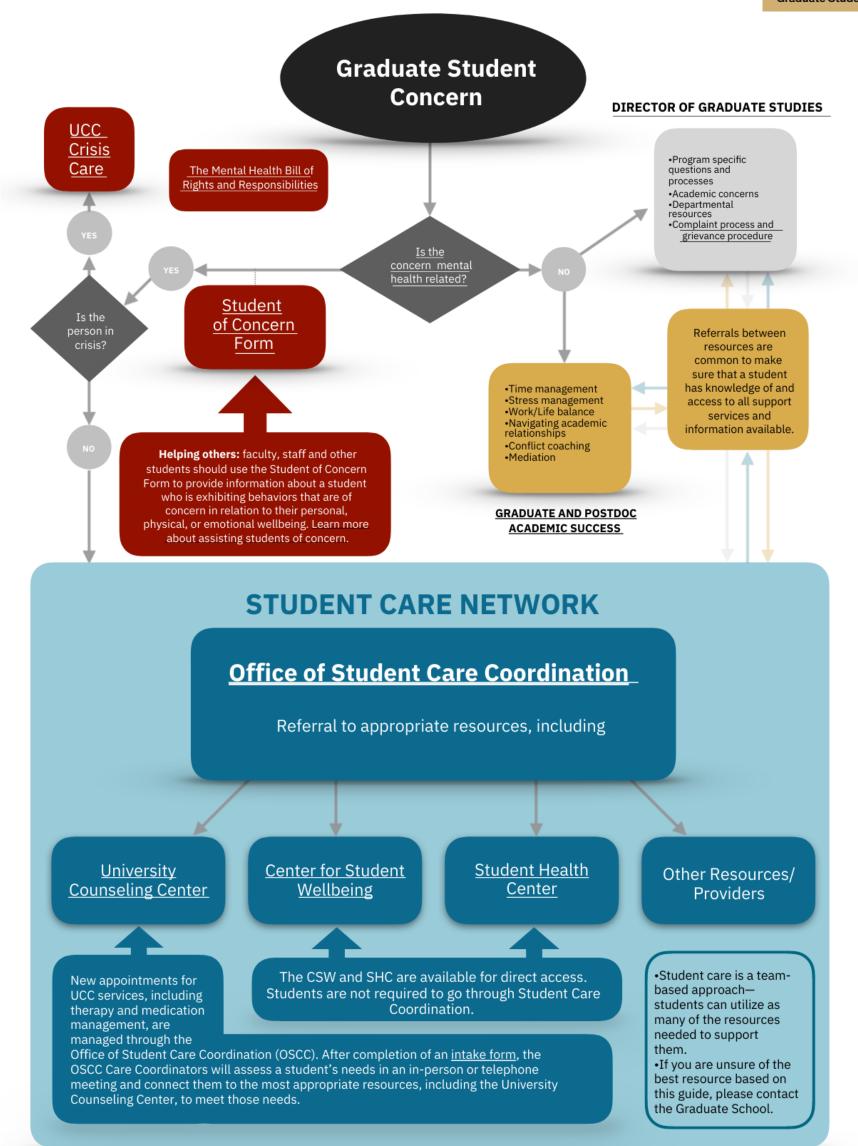
Daily Parking Program Individuals with annual permits can park in any non-reserved parking space in an annual permit lot on campus.

GRADUATE STUDENT CONCERNS

Identifying the simplest and most direct path to address concerns and find appropriate resources



Resources for Current **Graduate Students**



Mandatory Reporting

Procedure is in addition to any and all resources needed for the student's wellbeing.

Title IX & Student Discrimination

Note: Confidential information is not shared between resources, except when approved by the student to assist in processes unless a mandatory reporting procedure supersedes.

Student Access Services

To receive reasonable accommodations for a disability at Vanderbilt, students are to apply for services through the Access Center.

Project SAFE

Is here for those impacted by sexual harassment, sexual assault, intimate partner violence, stalking and more.

Vanderbilt University Sexual Misconduct and Intimate Partner Violence and Campus SaVE Act Support and Resource Information

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Oversees 58 departments housing Master's and Doctoral programs across campus

The Graduate School is in charge of maintaining and overseeing the thesis and dissertation process for masters and doctoral students.



André Christie-Mizell Vice Provost for Graduate Education and Dean of the Graduate School

MISSION

The mission of the Graduate School at Vanderbilt University is to promote excellence in research, scholarship, and creative expression such that graduates are optimally prepared for successful careers in academia, industry, and related fields. We do so by recruiting the most promising students from a diverse set of backgrounds and creating an inclusive and stimulating environment that fosters intellectual growth and development. We emphasize intensive, disciplinary-specific, and interdisciplinary training, taking advantage of Vanderbilt's uniquely collaborative and collegial culture.

OFFICE OF POSTDOCTORAL AFFAIRS (OPA)

The Office of Postdoctoral Affairs is responsible for planning and managing programs and services for Vanderbilt's postdoctoral community. OPA supports Vanderbilt-affiliated postdocs as well as faculty and staff administrators who work with the postdoctoral population. OPA is the central resource for postdoctoral services and serves as a liaison among postdocs and central university administrative offices.

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GRADUATE DEVELOPMENT **NETWORK**

The Graduate Development Network (GDN), a group of academic and professional services offices that meets monthly during the academic year, operates in an advisory and coordinating capacity for student life and career development in graduate education. This group promotes communication and collaboration among the participants, as well as a sounding board for issues and concerns about student services.

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			Graduate Student Council General Body Meeting 6:30 PM Alumni Hall 201			Vanderbilt Football vs. Alabama A&M 6 PM Nashville, Tenn.
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	LABOR DAY					
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Graduation Intent for Fall graduation opens in YES NATIONAL POSTDOC APPRECIATION WEEK					Vanderbilt Football vs. Kentucky 11 AM Nashville, Tenn.
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL

Here to help connect you to any help you may need during your time here at Vanderbilt



The Graduate Student Council (GSC) has two primary goals: (1) to coordinate a range of academic, service, and social activities for the graduate community; and (2) to ascertain and represent graduate student opinions and concerns by facilitating communication between graduate students, faculty, and administration. We strive to promote community amongst graduate students, as well as graduate student integration into the university community. All graduate students are welcome to attend and participate in GSC meetings, social events, and academic events.

WHAT WE DO Advocate for graduate students

- Honor Council
- 3 Minute Thesis Competition
- Travel grants
- Social Events
- Community Outreach
- Mental Health Bill of Rights
 Pen Pals with local metro schools
 - New and Expecting Parents Group
 - · Equity and Inclusion Initiatives
- · Track Stipend Growth
- · Update Insurance Benefits
- · Pass Resolutions

OFFICERS

Please reach out to us

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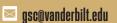
Vanderbilt New and Expecting Parents' Support Group

If you are pregnant or considering parenting while in graduate school, we invite you to join this group designed by/for graduate students who are considering, trying to conceive, currently pregnant, new parents, or parents of toddlers. The self-directed group will primarily provide a space for graduate students to get and give support from one another. Depending on group interests, experts will also be invited to provide insights and resources about navigating this new journey such as health insurance, parental leave, childcare, family, self-care practices, and job market navigation. We will meet monthly. Email gsc@vanderbilt.edu if you want to join!

OCTOBER



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 CAREER COLLOQUIUM	3	4	5	6	7
LGBTQIA+ History Month	GLI Leadership Skills Work- shops: Cultivating Excellence: Techniques for Giving and Receiving Feedback 12:15 PM Central Library 612A		WALK TO SCHOOL DAY Graduate Student Council General Body Meeting 6:30 PM Alumni Hall 201			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	COLUMBUS DAY Indiginous People's Day				Friday Fuel 12 PM <mark> </mark> Alumni Hall Lounge	Vanderbilt Football vs. Georgia 11 AM Nashville, Tenn.
15	16	17	18	FALL FALL DISSERTATION WRITER'S RETREAT	20	21
22	GLI Leadership Skills Workshop: Reflect, Refine, Excel: The After-Action Review 12:15 PM Central Library 612A	24	25	26	Last day to withdraw with academic penalty	28
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GRADUATE AND POSTDOC ACADEMIC SUCCESS (GPAS) PROGRAM

Experts in all things graduate school

CONSIDER CONTACTING GPAS IF YOU NEED

- Someone to listen to and have a discussion with about your concern
- Strategies for better productivity and/or progress, including goal setting, time management and prioritizing
- Knowledge of and assistance accessing resources available to graduate students and postdocs on campus
- Assistance working through an issue with a colleague, advisor or supervisor
- Clarification concerning a university, departmental or program policy
- To explore the formal options available for addressing your concern

Please visit the GPAS website for more information, to view upcoming programming, and to schedule 1:1 consultations with GPAS staff.

Watch out for communications about our Fall and Spring semester programming: Critical Conversations Series, Peak Performance Series, CliftonStrengths Coaching and other sessions to support your academic progress.

NOVEMBER





THE STUDENT CARE NETWORK

Access to a wide range of physical and mental health resources on-campus and in the community



Health Center

OFFICE OF STUDENT CARE COORDINATION (OSCC)

Student Care Coordination is the central and first point of contact for students who may have an academic, personal, emotional, medical, and/or other concern. Student Care Coordinators connect students with resources within Vanderbilt's Student Care Network and/or the Nashville community that best address their needs. It's important to note that care coordination is not counseling or therapy.

Coordination



UNIVERSITY COUNSELING CENTER (UCC)

The UCC supports the mental health needs of Vanderbilt students, encouraging their work toward their academic and personal goals. Our highly skilled and multidisciplinary staff develop evidence-based treatment plans tailored to each individual's unique background and needs by working together with students, campus partners, and community providers.

CENTER FOR STUDENT WELLBEING (CSW)

The CSW strives to create a culture that supports the personal development and academic success of students using an integrative, holistic framework. Through inclusive and collaborative programming, support services, and campus initiatives, the Center cultivates engagement in lifelong wellbeing practices that enhance students' ability to thrive within the Vanderbilt community and beyond.

ZERFOSS STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

There are no office co-pays for routine visits, and all registered students are eligible for care, regardless of insurance coverage.

Services

On-site pharmacy

- **Acute Care**
- Allergy Shots
- **Ancillary Services**
- **Eating Disorders** Assessment
- LGBTQI+ Health Care
- **Nutrition Services**
- **Primary Care Services**
- **Routine Immunizations**
- Sexual and Reproductive Health
- Sexual Assault Services
- **Specialty Services**
- **Sports Medicine**
- **Travel Medicine**
- Women's Health Exams

DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
					Friday Fuel 12 PM Alumni Hall Lounge	
3	4	5	6	7	EXAMINATIONS & TREADING DAYS	9
	Spring 2024 open enrollment begins		Graduate Student Council General Body Meeting 6:30 PM Alumni Hall 201	LAST DAY OF CLASSES HANUKKAH		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
						Graduation date for Fall graduates
17	18	19	20	21	22 WINTER BREAK	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
CHRISTMAS EVE	CHRISTMAS DAY	KWANZAA				
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NEW YEAR'S EVE						

THINGS TO DO IN NASHVILLE

Sign up for the Work Life Balance Newsletter to know all the events happening that week around Nashville



Click Here to Subscribe to Work-Life-Balance Newsletter



NASHVILLE ACTIVITIES

- · Zanies Comedy Club
- Belcourt Theater
- Lots of great restaurants
- · Hiking & The Outdoors
 - The Parthenon
 - Percy Warner Park
 - Radnor Lake
 - Cummins Falls
 - Cheekwood
- · Live Music
 - Ryman Auditorium
 - Ascend Amphitheater
- Broadway
- Bridgestone Arena
- Grand Ole Opry
- Marathon Music Works
- Basement East
- Nashville Symphony
- Nashville Professional Sports
 - Nashville Sounds Minor League Baseball
 - Tennessee Titans Football
 - Nashville Predator Hockey
 - Nashville Soccer Club
 - Nashville Superspeedway
- Frist Art Museum
- Farmers Markets

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			Graduate Student Council General Body Meeting 6:30 PM Alumni Hall 201			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	FIRST DAY OF CLASSES					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Graduation Intent for Spring graduation opens in YES MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY				Friday Fuel 12 PM <mark> </mark> Alumni Hall Lounge	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
WORLD RELIGION DAY						
28	29 SPRING CAREER COLLOQUIUM	30	31	Viento		

CAREER COACHES & THE GRADUATE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Preparing for life after graduate school

CAREER COACHING

Need advice on pursuing a career outside of academia? Connect with your career coach! Even if you aren't sure about your future path, we can help you plan, in parallel, for academic careers and options outside of academia.



The Vanderbilt Career Center provides you with a Career Coach based on your discipline. In 1-on-1 appointments, your Career Coach will guide you to discover your strengths, develop your vision, design your path and deliver your talents so you can gain clarity about your future.

Our services are available to graduate students and postdoctoral fellows and include assistance with application materials, interviewing skills, finding opportunities, parallel planning, and more.

Schedule an appointment through Handshake.

FELLOWSHIP ADVISING

The Career Center Senior Coaches also support graduate students and postdocs applying to the following awards, provided that they request advising at least 6 weeks before national deadlines for funding opportunities.







GLI

GRADUATE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The Russell G. Hamilton **Graduate Leadership** Institute (GLI) facilitates leadership and professional development opportunities for graduate students to broaden their academic and professional skills. Through grant programs, alumni events, training workshops, strengths-based Leadership coaching, the GLI provides students with opportunities to develop critical skills in the areas of leadership, innovative problem-solving, interpersonal dynamics, organizational behavior, and communications. Through these activities the GLI fosters a campus-wide interdisciplinary learning community for graduate students.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		SPRING CAREER Colloquium		BLACK HISTORY MONTH	2	3
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SCHOLARSHIP EXHIBITION 4-6 PM	5	6	7	8	9	10
	TRANSIT EQUITY DAY		Graduate Student Council General Body Meeting 6:30 PM Alumni Hall 201		Friday Fuel 12 PM <mark> </mark> Alumni Hall Lounge	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
			ASH WEDNESDAY Valentine's day			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Graduate School Honors Banquet 5:30 PM Student Life Center	PRESIDENT'S DAY					
25	26	27	28	29	20	
Last day to submit Graduation Intent for Spring graduation in YES						L Designation of the second

STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN (SHIP)

Set up a primary care physician for free at the Student Health Center

Aetna is Vanderbilt's SHIP insurance carrier and Academic HealthPlans (AHP) is Vanderbilt's SHIP Plan Administrator. Starting August 2023, dental insurance and an annual vision exam will be included in SHIP for all international students and domestic students enrolled in 4+ credit hours, a 0-credit research/disseration course, or any other full time equivalent. http://www.vanderbilt.edu/studentcarenetwork/your-health-insurance/dental-and-vision/

SHIP coverage is effective from August 12, 2023 through August 11, 2024. If you are no longer eligible for coverage in the current academic year, you can request a three-month extension.

DON'T FORGET TO DOWNLOAD A DIGITAL COPY OF YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE ID CARD TO YOUR PHONE:

- Go to aetnastudenthealth.com
- Select "Vanderbilt University" from the drop-down menu and click on "View Your School"
- Select the "Get Your ID Card" link
- Enter your school issued VUNetID and date of birth and click "Submit"
- Select your ID card to display it on the screen
- Take a screenshot to save it to your phone

BENEFITS/CLAIMS

Aetna Student Health P.O. Box 981106 El Paso, TX 79998

CUSTOMER SERVICE

1-800-556-1555 24-Hour Informed Health Line

SHIP

1-877-480-4168





CONNECT WITH US help.myahpcare.com lateral 1-855-855-2486 wanderbilt.edu/studentcarenetwork/your-health-insurance

MARCH

DIVERSITY, INCLUSION, & SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS

We stand in solidarity with you, we are here for you, and we recognize your need for support and affirmation



International Student and Scholar Services

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT & SCHOLAR SERVICES (ISSS)

International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS) is the primary resource at Vanderbilt for non-immigrant students and scholars for information related to their visa status. In addition to providing advising on non-immigrant status, ISSS also supports international students and scholars with holistic advising and advocacy regarding immigration, crosscultural, and personal matters. Our programming is open to all students and scholars, regardless of visa status.



Office of LCRTOL

OFFICE OF LGBTQI+ (K.C. POTTER CENTER)

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Intersex Life at Vanderbilt University is a cultural center, a place of affirmation for individuals of all identities, and a resource for information and support about gender and sexuality. LGBTQI Life serves all members of the Vanderbilt community—students, faculty, staff, and alumni—by creating educational,

cultural, and social opportunities. The office also supports and advises LGBTQIA+ related campus groups and activities. Our annual events include the Out in Front Conference in February and Lavender Celebration in May.





Center

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	RPW-2024-2025 Thematic Graduate Student Fellowship Application deadline AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH APRIL FOOLS' DAY GRADUATE STUDENT APPRECIATION WEEK	2	Graduate Student Council General Body Meeting 6:30 PM Alumni Hall 201	4	Friday Fuel 12 PM Alumni Hall Lounge WALK TO WORK DAY	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 LAST DAY OF CLASSES EARTH DAY PASSOVER	23 EXAMINATIONS & TREADING DAYS	24	SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS' DAY	26	27
28	29	30				

ACADEMIC RESOURCES

On campus resources to supplement your graduate education



CENTER FOR TEACHING (CFT)

The Center for Teaching (CFT) offerings are available to all graduate students, including those teaching at Vanderbilt as teaching assistants (TAs) and instructors of record, as well as those who anticipate that teaching will be a part of their future careers. Programs for graduate students include the Teaching

Assistant Organization, the Certificate in College Teaching, the Blended and Online Learning Design (BOLD) Fellows program and the Course Design Institute. The CFT also offers professional development workshops on a variety of topics and a range of confidential consultation services for instructors interested in reflecting on their teaching experiences.



ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTER

The Vanderbilt University English Language Center supports the university's internationalization, diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts through engaging English for Academic and Professional language instruction and targeted resources for international students, faculty, staff, and scholars who use English as an

additional language. Our goal is to help you achieve the most from your Vanderbilt experience by providing innovative, high quality, individualized English-language instruction.



Write On!

Do you want to make more progress toward your writing goals every semester? Write On! includes programming to help you set achievable goals, establish routines, and meet deadlines within a framework of support and accountability within the Vanderbilt community. The goal is to help graduate students and postdocs develop a daily writing habit that will benefit them in their academic career at Vanderbilt and beyond. For more information contact gpas@vanderbilt.edu.



LIBRARIES

The libraries provide electronic access to tens of thousands of full-text journals, more than 1.5 million e-books, data and information resources. The website provides a portal to premium and valuable content, information about library services, workshops, programs, exhibits, research

guides and librarian subject expertise, who provide help in their discipline. Students can connect with a librarian in person, via email or virtually. Workshops on specialized research topics, including using citation management software, selecting open source digital research tools, managing copyright in publishing, and more are available.



WRITING STUDIO

At the Writing Studio, graduate students can access free, confidential, one-onone consultations. You can work with a trained consultant on any piece of writing, from course papers, articles, and grant proposals to dissertations and other longer projects. We can also provide feedback on

writing pedagogy and job market materials.

Special services for graduate students include extended sessions for students working on theses and dissertations, weekly writing groups, and a series of Dissertation Writers' Retreats.

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12 Mother's day	13 BIKE TO WORK WEEK	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 MEMORIAL DAY	28	29	30	31	

THE WOND'RY & THE TURNER FAMILY CENTER

On-site innovation and professional development resources

the**WOND**RY

VANDERBILT'S INNOVATION CENTER

Its three story, 13,000-square foot space, located in the heart of campus in Nashville, Tennessee, provides the tools and resources for students, faculty, staff, and community members to bring ideas to life. The Wond'ry offers state of the art makerspaces, virtual reality labs, workshops, training opportunities, and programs designed to support anyone from budding entrepreneurs to community changemakers. The Wond'ry welcomes students from all backgrounds, disciplines, and abilities, empowering them to develop innovative and creative solutions that change the world.







TURNER FAMILY CENTER FOR SOCIAL VENTURES

The Turner Family Center for Social Ventures (TFC) is an interdisciplinary, graduate student-led organization committed to developing socially and environmentally conscious leaders and doers. The TFC engages graduate and professional students from across all schools to learn about how business can drive positive change. Housed at the Owen Graduate School of Management, the Center hosts workshops, pitch competitions, the Annual Social Ventures Summit, local immersions, Social Enterprise Consulting, and the spring-semester Project Pyramid course to provide graduate students with hands-on experiences to develop as social impact leaders.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						TRIDE TRANSIT MONTH LBGTQ+ PRIDE MONTH
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	Graduation Intent for Summer graduation opens in YES	REGULAR & SESSION 1 Summer Classes Begin	Graduate Student Council General Body Meeting 6:30 PM Alumni Hall 201			
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DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC RESOURCES

Resources to excel your research above and beyond





BRET: BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The Office of Biomedical Research Education and Training (BRET) supports and coordinates graduate education, postdoctoral training, minority affairs, career development, and educational technology initiatives for the Vanderbilt biomedical research community.

- Office of Outcomes Analysis
- Office of Career Development ASPIRE
 Psychological Services for Biomedical **Trainees**
 - Poster Printing Services

The BRET office works closely with the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs and the Postdoctoral Association, and has extensive responsibility for Training Grant applications as well as their subsequent administration and coordination.

Training programs administered by the BRET office:

- Vanderbilt VERTICES PREP Program
- The Vanderbilt Summer Science Academy for undergraduate students
- · The Vanderbilt Program in Molecular Medicine (VPMM)
- The Initiatives for Maximizing Student Diversity (IMSD)



The BRET Office organizes and hosts a Responsible Conduct of Research training day each spring for Vanderbilt researchers and trainees.



The RPW Center serves as the hub for interdisciplinary research in the humanities

and social sciences on campus. As part of its mission, the center offers a variety of programs and fellowship opportunities to enhance graduate student research and professional development.

Monthly seminars bring graduate students and faculty members together for rich conversations, guest speakers, and readings covering a wide range of topics. The center also offers two fellowship opportunities for graduate students: a dissertation completion fellowship for humanities students and a thematic fellowship that is open to graduate students from any field.

Visit our website to learn more about seminars and reading groups and fellowship opportunities, sign up for our newsletter, and follow us on Twitter (@RPWCenter) and Instagram (@rpw_center).



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	Graduate Student Council	4	5	6
		General Body Meeting 6:30 PM Alumni Hall 201	INDEPENDENCE DAY		
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				Last day to submit Graduation Intent for Summer graduation in YES	
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GRADUATE STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS/GROUPS



Visit Anchor Link to join organizations and stay up to date on campus events!

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (BioSci GSA)

BioSci GSA fosters camaraderie among all graduate students in the Department of Biological Sciences by hosting social events throughout the year, helping recruit students to the program, and mentoring members during early phases of their graduate career.

BIOSTATISTICS GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

We seek to facilitate an environment for students to engage in discussions regarding biostatistics and data science concepts in order to further their knowledge and understanding of the current state of the field.

CANCER BIOLOGY STUDENT ASSOCIATION (CBSA)

We provide a network through which graduate students may voice their opinions and enjoy the company of their peers.

CELL AND DEVELOPMENTAL BIOLOGY GSA (CDB GSA)

We are a space where graduate students can share cutting-edge research findings and develop essential skills for their careers. Through seminars, workshops, and networking events, we facilitate intellectual growth, scientific collaboration, and mentorship.

CHEMICAL BIOLOGY ASSOCIATION OF STUDENTS (CBAS)

CBAS' events and programming are open to all who want to learn more about chemical biology. The VICB symposium is our biggest event of the year.

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (ChEGSA)

ChEGSA's purpose is to enhance the experience of graduate students within the department by (1) engendering camaraderie amongst the graduate students and (2) increasing student involvement in the department through student/faculty interactions.

COMMUNITY RESEARCH AND ACTION (CRA) STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Serves the needs of CRA graduate students and facilitates connection between CRA students and the wider university community. It serves as a forum for the discussion of matters pertaining to the well-being of graduate students, provide leadership opportunities for students, represent student opinions and concerns, foster unity and belonging through meetings and events (for CRA students as well as other graduate students, independently or through cosponsorship), and aid in the recruitment of graduate students to the program and department.

DIVINITY STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The student governing body for Vanderbilt Divinity School.

EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (EES GSA)

Our organization's events ensure all EES graduate students have opportunities to socialize and bond with their peers outside of work. We also offer professional development programming when appropriate.

ENGINEERING AMBASSADOR NETWORK (EAN)

A service-based organization, consisting of both graduate and undergraduate students. It primarily works with Nashville based middle and high schools to get students excited about STEM. By having in-class interactive discussions and hands-on activities at schools around the Nashville area, the organization educates students on the importance of STEM careers and their broad impact on society. Sharing ideas and inspiring young students to challenge those ideas facilitates both the intellectual development of younger students and the growth of communication and leadership skills in Vanderbilt's EAN members.

INCLUSIVITY IN BIOSCIENCE ASSOCIATION (IBA)

IBA is dedicated to improving inclusivity in science outreach, research, and education. We host seminar speakers, hold workshops, and hold regular meetings involving discussions of topics that impact underrepresented minorities and women in the sciences..

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION-DIVINITY AND GRADUATE SCHOOL

Fosters a community for international students at Vanderbilt University Divinity School and the Graduate Department of Religion. The organization visibly represents international students and works closely with the admissions office at VDS and GDR to connect with incoming international students and help them settle in Nashville.

KOREAN GRADUATE STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS ASSOCIATION (KSSA)

The KSSA shall represent the interests of the Korean community at Vanderbilt. KSSA supports the social activity of its members through opportunities for collegial social interaction between and among Korean graduate students, faculty, and the Vanderbilt community.

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION (LACS)

LACS brings graduate students together from Latin America and the Caribbean Islands as well as those who are interested or passionate about these regions. We are an inclusive organization seeking to build community and cultural awareness.

LATINX SEMINARIANS (LAS)

We serve as a bridge for graduate students of Latin American and Caribbean heritage, to be a support system for international, current, and incoming students.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (MEGA)

Our organization is open to all Mechanical Engineering graduate students and offers opportunities for professional development and social connection, strengthening community ties across the department.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROFESSIONAL ADVANCEMENT OF BLACK CHEMISTS AND CHEMICAL ENGINEERS

Aims to increase the participation of people of color in chemistry, chemical engineering, biomedical sciences, and related disciplines through diverse programming and other opportunities designed to foster scholarship, encourage research innovation, facilitate collaboration, and provide resources for career and professional development. The chapter is committed to the professional and educational growth of underrepresented minorities in the chemical sciences and related fields. The chapter also intends to impact the national view of scientists by working with the local Nashville community.

NATIONAL STUDENT SPEECH, LANGUAGE, & HEARING ASSOCIATION (NSSLHA)

NSSLHA organizes philanthropic events in the community, guest lectures from professionals in the field, fundraising events for the ASHA, and social events for members. We are trying to spread awareness of communication sciences and disorders to the students of our campus.

SCHOOL OF NURSING GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL

The purpose of the Graduate Nursing Council is to serve as a liaison between MSN, Post Masters Certificate and DNP students, faculty and administration in the Vanderbilt University School of Nursing and the general University community.

ORGANIZATION OF BLACK GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS (OBGAPS)

We are dedicated to enhancing the experience of black graduate students. Our goals are centered around increasing representation, improving retention, providing academic and professional support, and advocating on behalf of students.

PEABODY APIDA (ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER DESI AMERICAN) (PEABODY APIDA)

APIDA supports and empowers Asian identifying students, hosts a space in which discussions of Asian experiences and mental health are held, and promotes awareness about significant issues and advocates for the benefit of the larger Asian community at Vanderbilt.

PEABODY CHINESE STUDENT ORGANIZATION (PEABODY MAZE)

We will be holding events for Chinese international students to gather around and bond with each other through games and activities. We will be offering mini talks, inviting alumni to come and share their valuable experience.

PEABODY COALITION OF BLACK GRADUATES (PCBG)

An organization geared towards all students of color that seek social, academic, and professional support. PCBG also plays an integral role in the recruitment and retention of minority students on Peabody's campus and holds several educational and social events throughout the year that are open to the greater Vanderbilt campus.

PEABODY LATINX ALUMNI AND STUDENT ASSOCIATION (PLASA)

Aims to connect alumni and students of Latinx backgrounds at Peabody College to foster a supportive community rich with culture. It serves as an organization dedicated to establishing meaningful relationships and mentorships with fellow Latinx alumni and students in educational spaces. Its goals include organizing to ensure academic spaces are inclusive. PLASA wants to address how Latinx people are represented and treated in all academic institutions and what can be done to enact change.

PEABODY PROFESSIONAL & GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (PPGSA)

Comprised of diverse student representatives from all Peabody departments and programs. The goals of the PPGSA are to foster and promote student voice at Peabody; to advise and assist with student support programming; and to advocate for students' needs.

POLITICAL SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Works to promote excellence in scholarship and teaching amongst the graduate student body of the Department of Political Science. It works to create community amongst graduate students within the department. It identifies and solves common challenges in teaching, researching, and working.

SCHOOL OF NURSING GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL (VUSN GRAD COUNCIL)

The Graduate Council is a service organization that enhances the educational experience of Vanderbilt University School of Nursing (VUSN) students.

SKY CAMPUS HAPPINESS PROGRAM

Hosts weekly free meditations, yoga sessions, meetings to learn powerful breathing techniques, and other activities focused on increasing students' general wellbeing.

TFC SOCIAL VENTURE CLUB

An interdisciplinary, student-led organization committed to developing socially and environmentally conscious leaders and doers. It prepares students to drive systemic, impactful change through market-driven forces and enterprise and provides resources and opportunities to leverage and combine the individual strengths of Vanderbilt University graduate students, faculty, and business partners. Get involved through TFC events including the Hult Case Competition, Project Pyramid, Social Enterprise Consulting, TFC Treks,

Summer Fellowships, Annual TFC Summit, and more!

VANDERBILT ASSOCIATION FOR BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS (VABA)

VABA provides workshops, continuing education, and user-friendly materials directed at enhancing quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities and mental illness, as well as those who serve supportive roles for these individuals.

VANDERBILT DATA SCIENCE INSTITUTE STUDENT COUNCIL (DSISC)

DSISC exists to enhance the overall educational experience of the Data Science Institute (DSI) at Vanderbilt University by promoting the general welfare and concerns of the DSI student body in the following areas: academic, professional, social, community.

VANDERBILT INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHERS ALLIANCE (VIRAL)

A group of researchers (technicians, graduate students, post-docs, faculty, staff, and everyone in between) dedicated to supporting, celebrating, and expanding the community of international scientists at Vanderbilt University! The overarching goal of the Vanderbilt International Researchers Alliance (VIRAL) is to support and grow the community of international researchers at Vanderbilt and promote a space where they can come together to celebrate and promote the diversity of the scientific community.

VANDERBILT SCIENCE POLICY GROUP (VSPG)

VSPG aims to educate its members on scientific policies and the process of policy-making at all levels of the federal and local government as well as to empower members to become advocates for their chosen scientific interests.

VANDERBILT SECULAR STUDENT ALLIANCE (SSA)

Hosts educational and social gatherings for students who subscribe to or are interested in a secular worldview. It aims to provide an active community and safe space for nonreligious students from all walks of life through its programming, which includes talks and events promoting the ideals of scientific and critical inquiry, as well as discussion of a variety of religious and philosophical topics. The organization hopes to reform public opinion of secular individuals in the area and beyond.

VANDERBILT STUDENT ACADEMY OF AUDIOLOGY (SAA)

SAA will engage students in lifelong professional activities that promote and advance the profession of audiology, and provide services, information, education, representation and advocacy for the profession and the public we serve.

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING (VU-WISE)

VU-WiSE aims to develop a community of women in STEM at Vanderbilt and support the personal and professional development of these women at all levels of their careers through networking, mentoring, seminars, and other events focused on professional development.

VANDERBILT/FISK UNIVERSITIES MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY (MRS)

We advance the scholarly activities of students and professionals engaged in materials research by providing professional development opportunities including seminars, presentations, research collaborations, and community outreach events.

VANDY GRADUATE TENNIS CLUB

The purpose of the organization is to provide social activities and networking opportunities for graduate and professional students, faculty and staff, and their dependents through recreational and competitive tennis activities.

VU SPIE STUDENT CHAPTER

Intended to connect and engage students in more diverse career development opportunities. SPIE believes the future belongs to optics and photonics, and the future of these technologies is in the hands of its students. Chapter members have access to sponsored activities, reduced conferences registration fees, SPIE publications, travel grants, and the SPIE visiting lecture program.