

Graduate Posts

An electronic newsletter from UNMC Graduate Studies

Summer 2019



Kendra Schmid, Ph.D.

Graduate Studies implements assessment initiative

UNMC Graduate Studies has implemented an assessment initiative to ensure all graduate students meet certain universal core competencies and co-curricular competencies. [Read more.](#)

A message from the dean

As Graduate Studies prepares for the fall semester, I want to extend my congratulations again to all our May graduates. It was an honor to celebrate your accomplishments at the Spring Convocation ceremony.

The upcoming semester will offer a variety of support in networking and training sessions for students to expand their professional skills. Further, students will have the opportunity to participate in the next Dissertation Boot Camp on July 16.

The months ahead will also see continuation of our ongoing comprehensive assessment initiative, which has already reached several important milestones (highlighted in this issue). As we aim to be the best place in the nation to train graduate students, we need to ensure that we have the appropriate metrics to guide our progress. Additionally, we will continue gathering and analyzing data from Ph.D. students and alumni regarding their career paths after graduation. Look for more details in upcoming Graduate Posts issues.

In the meantime, I hope you enjoy reading about some of our latest accomplishments in this issue of Graduate Posts.

H. Dele Davies, M.D.
Dean, Graduate Studies





Thomas Gross, M.D., Ph.D.

Convocation speaker to grads: 'Why not you?'

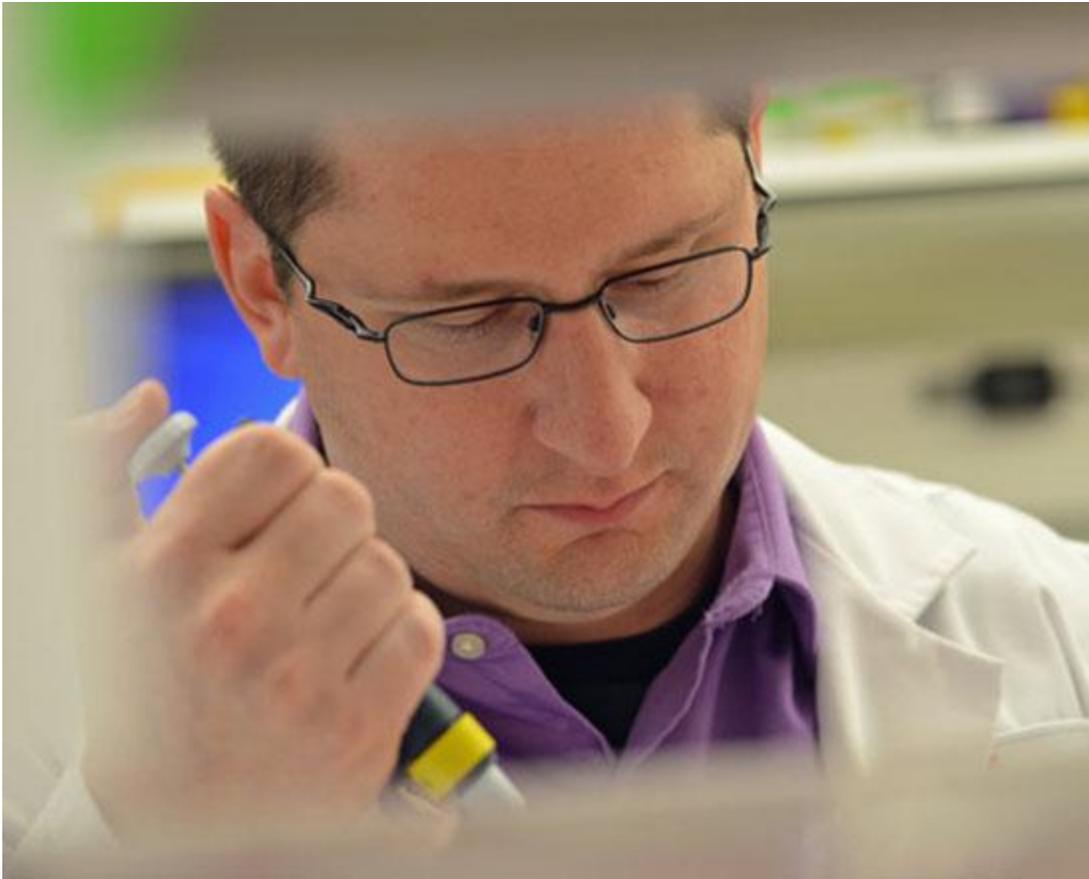
Thomas Gross, M.D., Ph.D., Deputy Director of Science for the Center for Global Health at the U.S. National Cancer Institute (NCI), gave the keynote address at the May 3 Graduate Studies honors convocation. [Read more.](#)



Laura Flores

UNMC Graduate Students of Distinction named

Katherine Brown, Laura Flores and Ciobha McKeown have been named Graduate Students of Distinction in 2019. [Read more.](#)



Adam Case, Ph.D.

Aiming to improve 'scientific communication'

We may not always think of it this way, but a huge part being a scientist is doing talks and making presentations. And, yes, doing so at conferences, to colleagues and potential collaborators. But, also, let's be real -- to potential donors, who are much more of a lay audience. [Read more.](#)

Upcoming events

July 1: UNMC and Nebraska Medicine LGBTQ+ Employee Alliance Group [business meeting](#). 12-1, Buffett Cancer Center, 7th floor. Open to all UNMC and Nebraska Medicine faculty, house officers, students and employees. Meeting to discuss the ongoing direction of the group, future engagement events, and more.

July 2: UNMC Farmers Market. 11:30-1, Tuesdays at the UNMC ice rink, July 2-Aug. 6. Produce from Wenninghoff's Farm.

July 16-19: Dissertation Boot Camp. Durham Research Center (DRC) room 8003. Biannual four-day retreat to help Ph.D. candidates overcome writing obstacles. Registration closed.

Aug. 12-16: [UNeMed's Tech Transfer Bootcamp](#), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day. Applications open until July 29th. Additional details may be found by following [this link](#) and scrolling down to the "Tech Transfer Bootcamp" section.

Sept. 19: Professional Development Lunch and Learn (TBD).

Oct. 17: Professional Development Lunch and Learn (TBD).

Nov. 21: Professional Development Lunch and Learn (TBD).

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