



ASCENDE ALTIUS

A NEWSLETTER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MEMPHIS
GRADUATE SCHOOL



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UofM Graduate School



Welcome to the UofM Graduate School newsletter **Ascende Altius!** The name of the UofM's new [strategic plan](#) is Ascend. The word "ascend" means to climb, to move upward. It is fitting, then, that the Graduate School's newsletter be named *Ascende Altius!* – a Latin phrase meaning "Climb higher!" With over 20 doctoral programs, 40 master's programs and a variety of graduate certificates, the University of Memphis graduate school can help you continue your educational journey and reach new heights. We encourage you to [explore](#) our flexible and affordable programs.

In this newsletter, you will read about our amazing alumni and students who chose to climb higher. Our faculty spotlight will showcase our outstanding researchers and teachers and the impact they have on their students and the community. We will be telling our story, highlighting the success of our students and faculty, the vibrant City of Memphis, and the important role graduate education plays in

fulfilling the University's vision of becoming a nationally recognized public research university.


[Read the full letter here →](#)

Graduate Student Spotlights



Babasoji Oyemakinde
UofM PhD Economics student
honored with the 2023 American
Society of Health Economists
Diversity Scholarship Award!
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Tiffany Howlett
Master of Public Administration in
Public Management and Policy
student working full-time at Public
Works Department for the City of
Germantown
[Read more →](#)



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Alumni Features



Ayushi Mehta Jain

Learn more about [Ayushi](#)'s journey from her hometown in Rajasthan, India to getting her Master's in Computer Science from the University of Memphis in 2019, and how it led to her career as a Lead at HTC Global Services.

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Diego Nocetti

While working in Memphis at a financial firm, [Diego Nocetti](#), from Argentina, made a career pivot. After receiving his PhD from the University of Memphis, he transitioned his career to academia. Read to learn more about his journey!

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FACULTY HIGHLIGHT

Dr. Esra Ozdenerol & UofM Receiving a #15 GIS Certificate Ranking

Exciting news & a wonderful accomplishment!

UofM faculty member, [Dr. Esra Ozdenerol](#) received the exciting news



that: “UofM has earned the #15 ranking in our Best Online GIS Certificates guide for 2023-2024”

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PROGRAM FEATURE

Crews Center for Entrepreneurship

The [Crews Center for Entrepreneurship](#) exists to inspire, educate, develop and support both aspiring and active student entrepreneurs. The center is open to all UofM students – not just business majors. Catapult your career!

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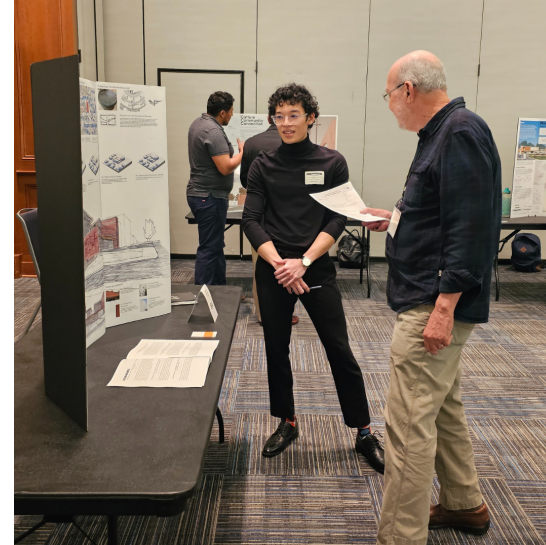
GRAD SCHOOL NEWS



Dive into our November Blog!

Read about amazing Career Services resources for graduate students, MBA news, and November festivities in Memphis!

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UofM 2023 Student Research Forum

This annual event showcases the diverse research of undergraduate and graduate students.

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MEET THE 2023

UofM GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION LEADERSHIP TEAM



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Clayton, NC
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History



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Oklahoma City, OK
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English

The UofM Graduate Student Association (GSA) advocates for student interests, fosters collaboration, and creates new programs and initiatives to encourage growth and opportunities for all UofM graduate students.

Graduation Information

- **November 3:** Deadline to upload defended & final copy of thesis or dissertation
- **December 6:** Comprehensive Exams– Doctoral exam results are sent to the Graduation Analyst when complete.
- **December 17:** COMMENCEMENT DATE!



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WE HAVE MOVED!

We are so excited about the UofM's new strategic plan that we are physically ascending!

The Graduate School will relocate to the 8th Floor of Wilder Tower. This will place us in the student support "hub," allowing graduate students easy access to the registrar's office, financial aid and scholarships and other student support services!



EXPLORE OUR VIEWBOOK

New Edition!

Dive into a world of possibilities! Explore our wide range of programs each tailored to help you achieve your academic and career goals. From cutting-edge research opportunities to experiential learning from experts to countless career opportunities, UofM has it!

[Explore Here →](#)



Donate to the Graduate School!

Want to help our students and faculty climb higher? Consider donating to the Graduate School to support student scholarships, faculty research and graduate student programming designed to provide students with career and professional development.

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Useful Links



Explore Programs : At the UofM, we offer dozens of academic majors and concentrations that are tailored to serve your best interests to help you meet your career goals.

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General Admission Information : Are you curious about the minimum requirements for enrollment, documents needed and the application process? This is a good place to start!

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Apply to Graduate School: Ready to take the next steps in your education and career? Great! Apply to UofM Graduate School.

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Graduate School Directory: Get connected with program-specific faculty and staff that will help you along the application process.

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