Graduate Student Professional Development

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OGAPS PD Initiative

• to improve and expand professional development (PD) opportunities for TAMU graduate students
  - Promoting existing opportunities
  - Identifying gaps, develop new offerings

• Originated from a recommendation from Graduate Experience Task Force (2011)
Started with Research

- Student Interest Survey
- Campus-Wide Services Survey
- CGS Reports & Publications
- Focus Groups
- Peer Institution Surveys & Interviews
- Additional TAMU Reports
What Can be Improved?

Input:
TAMU, Peers, National Context

Input:
PD Opportunities at TAMU

Output:
Gaps in Graduate Student PD
OGAPS Events

• OGAPS Workshops
• Ask OGAPS: Q&A Session
• New Programming
Moving Forward

Professional Development Portal

- a search engine for students to identify PD opportunities across campus

*ogaps.tamu.edu/profdev-portal
What is relevant to YOU?

✓ YOU are our CONNECTION to students
What is relevant to YOU?

- Publicity of PD opportunities:
  - The availability of existing PD programs are not known throughout campus

✓ Almost 40% of students said the best way to be notified of PD events was through their graduate advisor
Resources

- Versatile PhD (coming soon!)
- Career Center
  - Graduate student workshop series
  - One-on-one consultation
- Mays Business School
  - Certificate in Entrepreneurial Leadership
  - Certificate in Business
Resources

• Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE)
  – Graduate Teaching Academy (GTA)
  – Seminar Series
  – TA Consultant and Mentoring Programs

• CIRTL - Ctr for Integration of Research and Teaching in Learning
  – Courses/webinars for STEM* Students

  *STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering & Math
• University Writing Center
  – Dissertation Retreat
  – Dissertation/Thesis Writing Groups

• POWER Writing Program
  – Workshops, Credit Bearing Courses, Consultations
Questions?