

## September 2021

Welcome and welcome back to Tulane! This has been an extraordinary start to the school year, but we are looking forward to seeing you all as everyone returns to campus next week.

This year, we have been excited to host many of our new students and new teaching assistants at in-person orientation events. Overall, almost 500 new PhD and master's degree students have joined the School of Liberal Arts, School of Science and Engineering, and Biomedical Sciences Program. 29 new postdoctoral fellows have also started their research and training at Tulane this summer in the fields of economics, psychiatry, public health, and more.

Hurricane Ida and the Delta variant of COVID have complicated the beginning of this year, and we want to acknowledge that many of our students and postdocs have been seriously impacted by damage to homes, extensive power outages, and the disruption of evacuations before or after the hurricane. In the announcements below, we include information about applying for Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (DSNAP) and a Tulane Counseling Center webinar on recovering from disaster.

Emergency aid continues to be available to students through [Student Affairs](#), and to postdocs through [HR](#). The Tulane Legal Assistance Program (TULAP) has also been very involved in helping students navigate tricky situations with landlords in the recovery from the hurricane. If you need their advice, you can reach them at [tulap@tulane.edu](mailto:tulap@tulane.edu).

Please check out all of our announcements, as they go into more depth about programming offered by a number of departments, as well as important information from the university. We will continue to use the Canvas Announcements function to update you each Monday with the numerous events and workshops available throughout the month.

As the year gets under way, we hope you will check out the Canvas courses that students in the Schools of Liberal Arts, Science and Engineering, and Biomedical Sciences as well as all postdocs were invited to. They contain a wealth of knowledge curated for you, as well as links to make appointments with OGPS staff, sign-ups for workshops, and recordings of webinars.

Sincerely,

The OGPS Team

P.S. Please enjoy these classic back-to-school photos!



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## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Recovering from Disaster: Processing and Persistence

The Counseling Center is offering a webinar Friday, September 24 at 1 pm on the subject of post-disaster recovery. It will be offered after students return to campus as well. Please see [the flyer](#) for more information and to register.

### Library Workshops this Fall

The library will be offering workshops this fall across a number of subjects, including archives, data management, research skills, and networking and collaboration. Many of these workshops will be featured in our upcoming events, but we encourage you to take a look at the [full list](#). All events will be conducted via Zoom and will require registration.

### Apply for DSNAP (Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)

Students in the 25 parishes impacted by Hurricane Ida may be eligible for food assistance. [This flyer](#) details how and when to apply. Benefits are not automatic and not everyone will qualify but we have been told explicitly that students may be eligible.

### Career Resources

- For grad students and postdocs that OGPS serves, please accept the invitation you received this week to join the [OGPS Career Support Canvas course](#). This enables you to sign up for individual career advising appointments, view the calendar of weekly workshops, and access to an extensive online resource library.
- [InterSect Job Simulations](#) is an online platform that allows PhD-level scientists and humanists, regardless of professional stage, to explore future career options. Their goal is to provide true-to-life job simulation exercises.
- The [Carpe Careers column](#) in *Inside Higher Ed* is a weekly career advice column for graduate students and postdocs. An article by from this summer, "[4 Key Lessons Learned](#)" is a good discussion between two grad students and their mentors about important lessons graduate school success.

## OPPORTUNITIES

### 2021-2022 OGPS Fellows

OGPS will be hiring three fellows to collaborate with us on projects as well as to develop their own ideas in support of graduate education at Tulane. Projects may include career development support, social media, and event planning, but we are open to other proposals. The fellowship will run from roughly October to May and each fellow will receive a \$3,000 stipend. Master's and PhD students at all levels from SLA, SSE, and BMS as well as PhD students in SPHTM are encouraged to apply. Please stay tuned for application details to be shared in Canvas announcements.

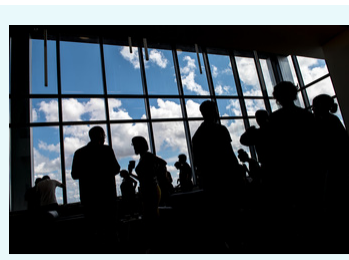
### Postdoctoral Fellow Conference Support

OGPS offers a limited number of non-competitive awards to postdoctoral fellows who will be presenting their research at conferences. The deadline for spring funding is November 15. For more information and to apply, please see our [website](#).

### Webpage for Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Fellow Opportunities

OGPS is notified periodically of opportunities for Tulane graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. These can range from part time work-study jobs to assistantships, to full time employment opportunities after graduation. Please check our [webpage](#) frequently as we will try to update this page when we learn of new openings.

[Learn More](#)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Fall Break - Thurs. Sept 23 - Sun. Sept 26

Please be aware that the university's calendar has changed for Fall 2021 due to the disruption of Hurricane Ida. This has impacted many deadlines as well as the end date of the semester. The calendar can be accessed on the [Registrar's website](#).

### Presidential Management Fellowships and Civil and Foreign Service Careers - Thurs. Sept 23 12-1

Information session led by J. Nathan Bland, Tulane's Diplomat-in-Residence, to learn about Presidential Management Fellowships and careers with the US Government. [Register here.](#)

### Fall 2021 OGPS Academic and Career Support Workshop Calendar

For PhD students, research-based masters students, and postdoctoral fellows. Register through the relevant Canvas course.

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