

Before you arrive

Rental Information:

Columbia has a ton of rental properties, but also a ton of renters. You want to start applying for a place very early, because they will fill up!

The following are descriptions of apartments and rental properties that other graduate students have experienced with. These were written in April 2014, so prices may not be current, but can be used to consider relative prices.

- **Stadium Apartments:** This is a large complex about 1.25 miles from campus. I, and many other students, walk to campus every day. A small 2-bedroom, 1-bath unit is \$540, including cable and internet. The units are not fancy, but everything is well taken care of and the management is good and helpful. Others have complained of thin walls, but I live in a graduate student only building and have had no problems with loud neighbors. I have lived here for 3 years and I really like it, not to mention, it's a great bargain!
 - Each unit also has a balcony and there is a pool. Utilities (for the large 2 bedroom, 1-bath) ranged from \$60-\$175, but averaged about \$100 a month for me. There is one assigned parking space per unit, but there's plenty of extra parking as well. They allow cats, but you have to pay a \$15/month fee.
- **Southpark Apartments** – owned by Stadium Apts. For those that don't have a car or don't like to drive, this is probably the best place to be. 10min walk/5min bike ride. I paid \$545/month for a 1bd/1bath apartment. They have a few graduate/prof student only buildings which are nice cause they're pretty quiet. Cable and Internet are included in rent and you get a parking pass for no extra charge. I believe they are cat friendly, but I'm not sure. My utilities usually ran me from 60-175 bucks, on average about 100. There are plenty of places that you can get more room for your money, but I really enjoy living close to campus and not having to drive all the time, helps for the bad weather. Email me if you have other questions –mand39@mail.missouri.edu
- **Broadway Village:** I have lived for the past two years at Broadway Village Apartments. The location is nice, right off Broadway across from a grocery store and only a 2 mile drive to work. They only rent to those over 25, or graduate students, so you don't have to deal with undergrads partying all night, which is nice if you are the kind of person who would be bothered by that. The landlord is very serious about his property, almost excessively so. As a result, the place is well kept, but they have a crazy amount of rules. Your car can't have rust on it, no more than 6 potted plants, no pets etc. I've never seen them enforce these rules, but they are there. The rent is \$670 for the apartment, which for me includes a covered parking spot, cable, internet, and rent. The place is pretty large, so per square foot it comes out to be a pretty good deal. I would definitely recommend living there.
 - I moved to Broadway Village when I started and stayed for four years. My experience has been very positive so. I've put some pros and cons down. I think the rent is \$635 for a smaller 2 bedroom (they're all 2 bd/1bath).

Pros: close to campus/downtown, grocery and shopping; quiet neighborhood of grad students and professionals; well kept apartments with fast maintenance; cable and Internet included

Cons: strict no pets (of any kind) policy; older apartments are a tad dated; rent has increased by about \$15 month for every year I've been here; Internet is free but not the fastest

- **Hawthorne Management Company:** I'm now renting a duplex from Hawthorne Management Company. They have quite a few properties, and they're cheaper than a lot of other management companies. The properties aren't the most upscale, but they're good options for grad students, and I wouldn't hesitate to recommend the management company.
 - They've got relatively cheap places, but some people have complained about their management before. I haven't had any issues with them, though. \$500/mo for a 2 BR 1 1/2 BA place about a mile from campus.
- **Dalclifton.** \$500 total depending on apt, which sometimes includes water, but not for all units. Otherwise, all other utilities are on your own. All have two bedrooms, one bath. About 1.5 miles, a 25 minute walk or 15 minute bike ride (all uphill going to campus).

Pros: The landlords live onsite which is nice for getting things fixed, and generally they are really nice people. Its a very quiet complex which is nice, its mainly grad students and young professionals. They generally don't rent to undergrads. Its reasonably close to campus, and really close to the trail (half mile to Hinkson Creek Trailhead on Old 63).

Cons: Apts are nice, but not spectacular. If you're a more social person that likes to get to know your neighbors, not really the best place for that. Would be a long walk to downtown/bars. Noise from above can be somewhat of a problem for downstairs apts, whereas upstairs apts are generally pretty hard to cool off in the summer even with AC. A decent amount of brown recluse spiders...
- **WIT Management LLC:** I've had great experiences renting from Rich Sayer (WIT Management LLC; website: midmoliving.com). Rich has duplexes (\$600-800/month) and stand alone houses mostly near Forum. He is very responsive when there are problems with the property, but is otherwise hands off. Most, if not all, of his properties are pet friendly with a reasonable one time pet fee, which depends on the size of the pet.
 - Most of the properties are a very reasonable 3 mi bike to campus. I have no cons. I've been here for 3 years and fully plan on staying for 2 more.
- **Country Club Apartments:** I lived at Country Club Apartments for 3 years. They're nice, well-managed, and QUIET, but are a little more of a drive from campus. However, they're close to a lot of grocery stores and restaurants. They run in the high \$500s/month for a 2-bedroom, vary based on level/view/bathrooms. No pets, though. (April 2013)
- **Parkways Apartments:** I have rented for 2 years. It is on Broadway, just across from the Public Library. They change on site managers frequently. While there the place was **clean and quiet** (enforced by onsite manager).

Negatives: Kiss **goodbye to your deposit** (they **WILL** make up an excuse to

keep it; read their online reviews. I thought the reviews were from disgruntled tenants and did not pay much attention to that aspect, until I experience this personally. Their "**free internet**" **never worked** for the two yrs I was there. (April 2013)

- **Forest Village Apartments:** Pros: Close to campus, Free shuttle to and from campus (great for ppl without cars), Nice office staff, Quick turn around on maintenance requests
Con: Although the apartment is nice and I have enjoyed living there, it is not worth the \$645 monthly payment. I feel like for that price I could be renting something more updated, or even brand new. (April 2013)
- **Katy Place Apartments:** I'm renting at Katy Place Apartments and I love living there. They have a small gym with 3 machines, a pool, a tennis court, it's right beside the Katy Trail and it's pretty good pricing (~\$650 for a two bedroom). It's also a short walk from the Schnucks grocery store. Downside is that there's no shuttle to campus. (April 2013)
- **Stephen's Park Apartments:** Stephen's Park Apartments are good for those who want to live in a fairly quiet neighborhood but still want accesbility to local amenities. They are directly across the street from Stephen's Lake Park, and a 20 minute walk or a 5 minute bike ride from downtown Columbia as well a three grocery stores. There are washer and dryer hookups within the apartments, but they are located in the kitchen. A one bedroom unit will cost you \$495/month, while a two bedroom unit is \$550/month. Dogs are not allowed, and cats require additional pet fee of \$15 a month. (April 2013)

Purchasing:

Many students in our department choose to purchase a place. Here are some suggestions from one student who purchased: I am a home owner and while shopping I found the website: <http://realestate.oodle.com/columbia-mo/condos-townhomes/> to be extremely helpful. I noted that Remax has the biggest and best staged listings in the market, followed by House of Brokers, then maybe century 21(they never made my radar, I have seen listings by them per chance).

Parking Permits

- See below for details. Get started on this as soon as you can to get a parking spot.

Join the MU BGSA group on Facebook

- Join the MU Biology Graduate Student Association page on Facebook to keep up with current events we will be hosting when you arrive in town as well as throughout the semester.

Contact your advisor and start thinking about courses

- You are assigned a temporary advisor by Nila, most generally this is the person you are most interested in working with.
- If you are planning on rotating, contact potential mentors and set up your first rotation.

Things to do when you arrive on campus:

- **Get your paperwork done so you get paid for your first month**
 - If you are paid through the division- contact Pat Willis at Division of Biology Office for an appointment (105 Tucker Hall; WillisP@missouri.edu).
 - If you are paid through a fellowship- contact the person in charge of the fellowship's paperwork and find out if taxes are taken out of your monthly paycheck

- **Student ID**
 - After you get your student ID (see below), make sure you have card access to the building(s) you will be working in
 - See the assigned person of your building to get access
 - Biological Sciences Main Office – 105 Tucker, biology@missouri.edu
 - Diane Wyatt for Lefevre Hall, Sears Greenhouse and Stewart (key for Stewart, not card access) – 114 Lefevre, wyattdr@missouri.edu
 - Jim Bixby for the Life Sciences Center - 105d Life Sciences Center, BixbyJ@missouri.edu

- **Keys for the building**

When requesting keys for biological sciences buildings:

 - Key request form :<https://forms-x3.biology.missouri.edu/forms/keyForm.lasso>
 - Log in using your PawPrint (the first part of your campus email address) and your university password.
 - This is something you can do with your advisor when you get here.

- **Check the Immunization Requirements:**
 - Refer to the Student Health website for more information <http://studenthealth.missouri.edu/immunizationrequirements.htm>
 - These must be turned in before your second semester or you cannot register for classes, but its best to do them earlier before you forget.

- **Contact BGSA members if you need help moving in**

If you need help with anything on this list, contact Nila Emerich or the co-directors of graduate education, Ray Semlitsch and Steve Alexander.

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Classes and Advisors:

Locating Advisors:

Contact Nila to find out who your temporary advisor is; generally this is the person you are most interested in working with. They can help you decide which classes to take your first semester.

Class/Credit Hour Requirements:

The only classes required by Biological Sciences are Professional Survival Skills, which you take your first semester, Ethical Conduct of research which is offered in the spring, and Biological Sciences Seminar every semester.

There are no teaching requirements, though teaching is recommended. However, if you have a fellowship it may have additional requirements for classes. Your fellowship may also have a teaching requirement.

To be a full-time student, you need to take 9 hours per semester (before you've passed your comprehensive exam). When you have a funding source you should load up on hours (classes and research credit). This is because you need to have 72 hours of credit beyond a bachelor's degree to graduate with a PhD (30 hours for a masters) and you may not have as much funding in your last year(s) as you do at the beginning. After comprehensive exams, students register for only 2 credit hours per semester.

15 hours of 8000-level or above courses are required for graduation. These are usually taken within the first 2 years (before the comprehensive exam). Masters students should take a few more classes beyond the required 15 hours and not take as many research hours.

Bio Sci Course Number 8087 is the Biological Sciences Division seminar. Graduate students must enroll for this course. Your advisor may also suggest enrolling in a more specialized seminar course, which would be in Course Number 8187.

You should also enroll in research credit hours. Your advisors and Nila can guide you in how many you should enroll for. The Course Number 7990 is for rotational students. The Course Number 8090 is for Masters students who have chosen a lab. The Course Number 9090 is for PhD students who have chosen a lab.

The courses available are listed at myZou

<https://myzou.missouri.edu/psp/prd/?cmd=login&languageCd=ENG&>

You shouldn't have to sign in to just look at the course list (click Schedule of Classes at the link above), but you will **sign in to myZou to register for classes.**

Seminar Series available:

This is not a complete list. Almost every department has at least one seminar series that is open to the public. Most of these meet weekly.

Biological Sciences Divisional seminar series

All seminars held in Monsanto Auditorium in the Bond Life Sciences Center at 3:30 pm on Tuesdays, except as noted; refreshments served at 3:15 pm. You are required to attend.

Evolutionary Biology and Ecology series

This seminar series is held during the Fall semester only, usually on Wednesdays at 4pm in Lefevre 106.

Conservation Biology Program seminar series

<http://www.conservbio.missouri.edu/current.php>

This seminar series will occur only in the Spring. Times vary and are announced at the web site above.

Interdisciplinary Plant Group seminar series

All seminars are held in Monsanto Auditorium in the Bond Life Sciences Center at 3:30 pm on Mondays, except as noted. <http://ipg.missouri.edu/seminars.cfm>

Interdisciplinary Neuroscience seminar series

There is the Neuroscience Seminar Series, which usually meets on Fridays in Lefevre Hall. Graduate students and postdocs present their research and discuss data.

Plant Talks

Interdisciplinary Plant Group graduate students and postdoc discussion series where 2 graduate students or postdocs give 30 min talks.

Fisheries and Wildlife also called Schwartz Seminar Series

This is usually on Friday afternoons at 3pm in Tucker 18.

Saturday Morning Science

Saturday mornings at 10:30. This is a series of one-hour long talks on various scientific topics. They are intended for the public, so no science background is needed.

<http://satscience.missouri.edu/>

myZou:

myZou (<https://myzou.missouri.edu/psp/prd/?cmd=login&languageCd=ENG&>) is used for **registering for classes**, signing up for **insurance**, campus finances (bills and payments), academic records, etc.

More on signing up for insurance is below.

After you log in, click on “Self Service” and you will get a list of options. There is a step-by-step guide to using myZou for the first time from IT Information/Services at: <http://doit.missouri.edu/new/myzou.pdf>

Student Center is where you will find links to registering for classes, paying any fees, checking grades, etc.

Insurance Information:

Our Insurance Representatives on Campus:

They are very helpful people. They're located inside of the Student Health Center.

Dana Briscoe

1101 Hospital Drive, DC800.00

Columbia, MO 65212

Phone: (573) 882-9107

Fax: (573) 884-7020

BriscoeD@health.missouri.edu

How to Enroll:

There is a short window for insurance registration. You will receive email reminders prior to this time. More information is available on this web site:

<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/financials/student-medical-insurance/enrollment-procedure.php>

***You sign up for medical insurance as described below. **Your source of funding should pay for medical insurance.** You have the option of signing up for dental insurance separately at the Aetna website and pay for it yourself. Dental insurance is discussed more at the end of this section.

The MU graduate school insurance website is:

<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/financials/student-medical-insurance/index.php>

This site has very good instructions for how to enroll for the medical insurance. I recommend **doing this through myzou**, which seems to be the simplest method.

Because this website has clear instructions, I have not copied them into this document.

The University offers Accident & Sickness Insurance (Medical Insurance) that is voluntary for domestic students. International students with F or J visa status who started their studies at Mizzou during or after fall 1998 are automatically enrolled in the international plan, and other international students are eligible but must sign up. Qualifying graduate assistants, fellows and instructors are eligible for a subsidy. **Students must *re-enroll for the insurance each period to continue annual or semester-by-semester coverage.***

When to Enroll - <http://gradschool.missouri.edu/financials/student-medical-insurance/enrollment-procedure.php>

There is a specific enrollment period each semester. For dates of coverage, see Costs & Coverage.

New Students Who Were Not Students During the Enrollment Period

If you were not a student during the enrollment period above, you must enroll in the insurance within 45 days of entering the University as a new student.

Karen Gruen:

Assuming everything goes smoothly, you should see the medical insurance charge on your account about a week after they enroll in the insurance. If you don't see it within that time period, then you might want to contact Karen Gruen.

Karen Gruen, gruenk@missouri.edu

Coordinator of the Graduate Student Support Program (fee waivers for graduate assistants) and the Graduate Medical Insurance Subsidy Program.

*I have been told by other graduate students that you shouldn't get your spouse covered by your grad student insurance unless you absolutely have to because it is very expensive. See details on the Aetna website listed below.

Dental insurance:

A dental plan is also available, and students do not have to enroll in the Accident & Sickness Insurance to sign up for dental coverage.

You do have to pay for the plan completely on your own.

The MU graduate school insurance website is has a link for dental insurance that will take you to the Aetna website. You can sign up for the insurance at the Aetna site.

<https://www.aetnastudenthealth.com/students/student-connection.aspx?GroupID=890430>

You can enroll in the Aetna Dental Indemnity Plan. Coverage is also available for your dependents. You do not need to enroll in the Student Accident and Sickness Insurance .

<https://www.aetnastudenthealth.com/students/student-connection.aspx?GroupID=890430>

Aetna Insurance Web Site:

Student insurance is offered through the Aetna Student Health, which has a dedicated section of its site for Mizzou's plan. The Graduate School encourages students to consult the valuable information there.

<https://www.aetnastudenthealth.com/students/student-connection.aspx?GroupID=890430>

There you enter your school's name: "University of Missouri" and choose the option "University of Missouri- Columbia"

Click on "Benefit Details" on the left side of the page.

You see this page that provides details on the domestic and international plans available.

Other Information:

Medical Insurance Subsidy: Graduate Assistants, Fellows & Instructors

<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/financials/student-medical-insurance/subsidy-program/index.php>

To be eligible for the subsidy program, a graduate student must meet the following requirements:

- Enrollment in Student Accident and Sickness Insurance, which is available to all Mizzou students.
- Position as an assistant or instructor at least a quarter time (25 percent FTE, or 10 hours per week) with a minimum salary or stipend amount set each year by the University budget office per semester, or a fellowship with the same minimum stipend level.
- A qualifying title, as defined by the Graduate Faculty Senate.
- Enrollment in a graduate degree program, working toward a master's, doctoral or educational specialist degree. Professional degree students (law, medicine, veterinary medicine) are not eligible for this subsidy from the Graduate School.

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Frequently Asked Questions: Eligibility

If my research assistantship is paid by a grant, either my own or that of a faculty member, will my insurance premium be charged against the grant?

Yes.

If I have a teaching assistantship for only one semester, can I get the insurance and the subsidy for just this semester?

Yes. The insurance policy is offered on an annual basis, but also for fall semester only, spring and summer semester together, and summer semester only.

If I have a teaching assistantship for only the fall semester, will I receive a subsidy for both fall and spring semesters?

No. You will only receive a subsidy for the semester that you hold a position that qualifies you for the subsidy. You, the student, will be responsible for the premiums

for the insurance policy for any semester you do not hold a position that qualifies you for the subsidy.

Am I eligible for a summer term subsidy if I am a teaching or research assistant for the previous two semesters, or even for one semester?

The insurance policy is set up such that you must take the policy for both spring semester and summer semester together; therefore, if you have a qualifying position in the spring semester, you will automatically get the insurance coverage for the summer, as well as receive the subsidy. If you had a qualifying position for the spring semester, you will also receive the subsidy for the summer, whether or not you have a qualifying position in the summer.

Fellowships and Taxes:

If you have a fellowship, check to see whether or not taxes are taken out of your paycheck every month. If they aren't, then you have to save money and pay one lump sum every year.

If you have a Life Sciences Fellowship or IMSD Life Science Fellow, the point of contact for information about funding is Debbie Allen.

Debbie Allen
150c Life Sciences Center
University of Missouri
Columbia, MO 65211
Phone: (573) 882-2816
Fax: (573) 884-9395
E-mail: allendeбра@missouri.edu

Student Health Center Information: <http://studenthealth.missouri.edu/>

University Physicians Medical Bldg.

1101 Hospital Drive

Columbia, MO 65212

(573) 882-7481

Call for an appointment. No walk-ins.

Hours of operation: Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri: 8:00am-5:00pm Wed: 9:00am-5:00pm. The SHC is closed every day from 11:45am-12:45pm

There is a pharmacy in the same building on campus.

The student health prepaid fee should be paid for by fellowships. If you have another source of funding, this will be part of the fees that you pay each semester. If you have paid the prepaid fees, then trips to the Student Health Center are free.

Effective July 1, 2009, students will be charged a nominal amount for all lab tests and procedures. The pre-paid health fee (PPHF) is a mandatory fee charged to students taking more than 6 credit hours a semester that automatically appears on the semester bill. Students taking fewer credit hours may choose to pay the fee and receive the same services. This fee covers the office consultations with our providers. The fee supports a significant portion of the SHC's operations.

It is important for students to understand that the PPHF is not insurance. Sometimes students may require testing or procedures that are not covered by the PPHF. Some examples include casting or splinting, laceration repair (stitches) and all laboratory tests. Any charges not covered by the PPHF can be paid by cash, check, credit card or will automatically be billed to the student account. Those charges can then be submitted to a medical insurance carrier. For patient confidentiality, charges on the student account will show as "Student Health Charge," without any details of the reason for the visit. Services covered by the health fee are subject to change. Insurance is required for all international students (regardless of the number of credit hours the student is taking) and is strongly recommended for domestic students.

Allergy Clinic: <http://studenthealth.missouri.edu/services/allergy.html>

The SHC Allergy Clinic provides students with allergy injections as a service for a nominal fee. The students need only supply their antigens and orders from their allergists. SHC providers and nurses do not do any allergy testing. However, providers will make a referral upon request for patients who do need allergy testing.

Any student who wishes to initiate allergy injections at SHC is required to make an appointment with a provider to become acquainted prior to starting injections. Providers work closely with students to ensure that they start on their allergy shots with minimal interruption of their injection schedule.

As with other allergy offices, a 30-minute waiting period is required after each injection is given. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

Allergy Clinic hours by appointment only. Call 573.882.7747 to schedule. Monday and Tuesday from 1 – 4:00 pm, Thursday 8 – 11:00 am and 1 – 4:00 pm. Summer Allergy Clinic hours: By appointment only. Please call 882.7481 to schedule.

For any questions or concerns feel free to contact the Allergy Nurse at (573) 882-4661.

Immunization Requirements:

<http://studenthealth.missouri.edu/immunizationrequirements.htm>

Top three SHC items:

Part I: Measles, Mumps and Rubella is required for all students

Part II: Meningococcal vaccine is required for all students living in the residence halls

Part III: TB screening is required for all [high-risk students](#)

Choose your preferred method to send us your immunization documents:

Mail: Student Health Center, Attn: Immunization Policy, University of Missouri, 1101 Hospital Dr., University Physicians Medical Bldg., Columbia, MO 65212

Fax: (573) 884-8902

E-mail: Attach a jpg, gif or pdf file(s) to immunizations@health.missouri.edu

Mailboxes:

- If you are working in Tucker, your mailbox is in Tucker 110.
- If you work in the Life Sciences Center, the mailroom is Room 109, and you mail may go directly to your Professor's mailbox.
- If you work in Lefevre, your mailbox is in Room 114.
- Rotation student mailboxes are in Tucker 110

Student ID Cards:

To get access to buildings: contact Diane Wyatt at (573) 882-4717 in 114 LaFevre.

<http://doit.missouri.edu/id-cards/student.html>

ID Card Office

(573)882-1871

(573)884-4187 (fax)

[MU Student Center](#) (inside University Bookstore)

Hours: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

All new MU students receive their first Mizzou TigerCard at no charge. To obtain a TigerCard, go to the ID Card Office, located inside the University Bookstore, in Brady Commons. **Make sure you have your student number and a current driver's license, military ID card, state ID card, or passport.** To ensure campus safety, it is against policy for us to issue cards unless one of these forms of identification is presented.

How to Find Your Student Number in MyZou

- Login to myZou
- Click Self Service
- Click Campus Personal Information
- Click Demographic Information
- Your student number will be the number labeled as ID

New Card Problems

If your card stops working, call the ID Office at (573)882-1871 or submit a [new TigerCard problem report form](#). We'll work with Residential Life to restore access privileges.

Lost or Damaged Card Replacement

Should your ID card become unusable or broken due to normal wear and tear, bring it to the ID Office and they will replace it at no charge. "Normal wear and tear" is determined by ID Office staff. Protect that magstripe! Scratches will render it useless and the replacement card will cost \$20.

If you lose your ID card, we'll replace it for \$20. Because of the privileges associated with an MU ID, it is imperative that you report a lost card immediately by calling (573) 882-1871 (882-2050 after 5 p.m. or on weekends). To protect your student charge at the bookstore, call (573)884-2159. Reporting a lost card will prevent unauthorized charges to your account.

Card Stops Working- Contact the ID Office immediately.

Transportation Information:

Parking Permits:

<http://parking.missouri.edu/html/main.cfm>

Parking & Transportation Services

Turner Ave Garage, Level 2

Columbia, MO 65211

Phone: (573) 882-4568

Fax: (573) 884-5713

email: muparking@missouri.edu

Summer Hours: 7:30 am. to 4:00 pm Monday - Friday

They have some extended hours before school starts in August. Check website for details.

Student parking is available in a variety of locations on campus. Two commuter lots have shuttle service available through the day and evening hours. Priority will be given to upperclassmen and permits will be assigned based on space availability and when the application was received.

Students with disabilities who wish to park must complete an application and submit it with their state-issued disabled parking permit. **In addition to the state required handicapped identification, you must present this information to parking services and have your parking permit from the University say "DISA."**

Other **graduate**, professional and undergraduate students may apply for any remaining available spaces. The cost of permits vary by location. Dates, times, and locations when permits are available are posted at Parking & Transportation Services, Turner Ave. Garage, Level 2. Any permits not claimed after the posted pick up dates will be reassigned to the next student on the waiting list.

There are more than 2,000 metered spaces for students. Students are able to charge metered parking on their student ID cards at any meter located in the Hitt St. Garage. Students who have guests or visitors have a responsibility to assist their guests with a legal permit.

***Please note:** Assignments are made based upon class standing (beginning with the Graduate students) and according to space availability.

New & Transfer Student - Parking Permit Application

Any incoming new student or transfer student may submit an on-line parking application to be considered for a parking assignment for the fall.

Bus Routes:

<http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/PublicWorks/Transportation/>

Bike Registration:

<http://parking.missouri.edu/html/bicy.cfm>

Anyone owning or operating a bicycle on the MU campus is required to observe and obey all signs and control signals applicable to motor vehicles, all Missouri laws, and the MU Traffic & Parking Regulations. In addition, all bicycles owned or operated on the MU campus must be registered with the MU Police Department. This registration fulfills the City of Columbia ordinance requiring bicycle registration.

Bicycles must be parked in or immediately adjacent to bicycle racks provided they are not parked on lawns, sidewalks, ramps, entrances accessible to persons with disabilities, or chained to trees, light poles, fences, benches, railings, etc. Bicycles considered to be illegally parked may be ticketed and/or impounded by MUPD. Bicycles may not be taken inside any University building, except in University-operated residence hall student rooms.

Bicycles that are considered to be abandoned will be tagged and removed no earlier than two weeks after the initial tagging. Removal may include the cutting and removing of any locking devices. Abandoned bicycles are impounded.

IT Information/Services:

<http://doit.missouri.edu/new/>

Josh Hartley (hartleyjr@missouri.edu) and Alan Marshall (marshalla@missouri.edu) work in the biology department's IT office in 4 Tucker Hall. They are very helpful in getting computers set-up (printing, VPN access, etc.) and any problems that come up. They are very busy people, so be patient.

PawPrint (SSO ID) and E-Mail

Your PawPrint is the electronic ID you use to access all MU technology accounts and resources. Your MU e-mail address is [PawPrint]@mail.mizzou.edu. This e-mail account is how you will receive all official University communications. You can access your e-mail at webmail.mizzou.edu. The University recently switched to Outlook Live Webmail.

Go here for all your email questions: <http://doit.missouri.edu/e-mail/>

Using myZou

Step-by-step guide to using myZou for the first time.

<http://doit.missouri.edu/new/myzou.pdf>

help.missouri.edu

Available 24x7, help.missouri.edu has links to all the technology help you'll need, including the IT KnowledgeBase, important phone numbers, and other MU Technology Tools.

MU-Ready Software

Free software downloads recommended to keep your computer running safe and secure on the MU network. See all recommended software available from the Software Distribution Site. Downloads are available once you are enrolled.

- **FREE software that is available to students. Includes Antivirus and Endnote.**
- To do this, click on the Software distribution Site.

Availability

MU-Ready software is free. Download these programs from the MU-Ready software category on the [Software Distribution Site](https://myservices.missouri.edu/Login.aspx). (<https://myservices.missouri.edu/Login.aspx>)

Library Information:

Mulibraries.missouri.edu

Kate Anderson (AndersonKat@missouri.edu) is a helpful resource for questions about the library and can help in tracking down sources that you cannot find.

Your Library Account:

From the above instructions, click on "My Library Account".

Login using "Your campus email username", such as:

Campus	If your email address is	You would use
MU	abc123@mizzou.edu	abc123

Click "continue". Type in the username and password for your email and hit enter.

The next login section is tricky.

Type in your name in the blank and PRESS TAB after words. Ex: Jane Smith(HIT TAB KEY). Your ID number is: Type Zero + 8 Digit Student Number + Campus Code. For a MU student with the Student Number 01234567, the ID is: 001234567c.

From here you can see what you have checked out, when they are due, renew items to keep them longer, see what the status of books you have requested is and cancel requests.

Book Searches:

From the above instructions, click on "MERLIN" on the left side to search for books within the MU libraries.

When you find a book you want, locate its call number on the screen and see if it has been checked out. If it hasn't been checked out, you can go to the library that it is located at and ask a librarian to help you find it.

If the book has been checked out, you can request the book by clicking on the "Request" button. Login using as described above. Choose a location for you to pick the book up at. The "MU, Ellis Library Circulation Desk" is usually the easiest location. You can also choose a date to cancel the request by if you have not picked it up or it has not arrived by that date. Then click "Submit". You will receive an email notification when the book is ready for you to pick up.

If the book you're looking for is not at MU you can try using the "MOBIUS" search engine to see if the book is at any of the Missouri state colleges. If another school has it they can send it to MU for you. At any time when you are searching in MERLIN you can extend the search to MOBIUS using links on the screen. You can also click on MOBIUS on the MU Libraries Gateway screen that you found MERLIN at.

When you find the book you are interested in using MOBIUS, click on the title and click on "Display Holding of MOBIUS Libraries" to see which Missouri libraries have the book. The MU libraries are called MERLIN and other colleges have libraries with a different

name. Click "Request This Item" to request the book. Then it will ask which cluster you are affiliated with. Choose "MERLIN" and hit "Submit". Then login as described above: Type Zero + 8 Digit Student Number + Campus Code. Make your Pickup Cluster MERLIN and choose a location for you to pick the book up at. The "MU, Ellis Library Circulation Desk" is usually the easiest location.

Journal/Article Searches:

From the above instructions, click on "Find a Specific Article or Journal" on the left side to search an article or journal that you are interested in; this is a very useful site. (You can also use the "Find a Database" option to search for articles on a subject of interest, NCBI is among these databases)

Printing Account:

<http://doit.missouri.edu/printing/print-smart.html>

Graduate and professional students receive \$50 (per academic year)

nonrefundable print quota. A portion of the cost of student printing is funded through the Information Technology Fee (ITF).

Paper size	Output	Charge
8½ x 11	Black	5¢/page
8½ x 11	Color*	50¢/page
11x17	Black	10¢/page
11x17	Color*	\$1/page
Large format plotter (A&S Room 10)	Color	\$10/job

**Color printing is available at the Reflector, N26 Memorial Union, 004 Cornell Hall, 10 A&S, C240 Pershing, Ellis Library, 206 Neff and 146 Stanley.*

Large format plotter: <http://doit.missouri.edu/printing/plotter.html>

Student Recreation Center:

<http://www.mizzourec.com/>

Guests

<http://www.mizzourec.com/membership/guests.asp>

Mizzou student and Non-Student Rec Complex Members are allowed to bring one guest per month at no charge as a courtesy.

Additional guests and guest visits require a \$10.00 Day Membership.

Tips for the Mizzou Student Recreation Center

Written By: Katie Brueggen in 2009

If you are enrolled in more than seven hours, your fees will be automatically charged to your student account. Depending on your fellowship type, those fees may be covered. If you are on a Teaching Assistanship, you will have to pay those fees yourself. During the summer, most grad students are only enrolled for four hours. Even if you have a fellowship that covers your rec fees during the year, you will have to pay for them over the summer.

The Rec Center is awesome! I say this without any exaggeration at all. If you didn't see the rec center when you interviewed, you absolutely must check it out. You will be blown away by what is available for student use. An overview of areas is listed below.

Trumans' Pond-lowest level

Outdoor pool with lounge chairs. Great for enjoying a summer afternoon if you have the time. This pool is open from May to September, depending on weather. Check mizzourec.com to find exact times

Tiger Grotto-lowest level

Indoor pool facility, complete with whirlpool, lazy river and waterfall. Also includes a large hot tub (seats twenty or so) a sauna and a steam room. Tropical atmosphere with palm trees, flowers, etc...

Competition Pool-lowest level

Indoor Olympic sized pool for lap swimming and diving well for competitive diving.

Jungle Gym-main level

Half aerobic workout machines, half weight machines and free weights. Treadmills, ellipticals, stationary bikes, stair climbers, etc...tons of these machines. The only time you have to wait in line is at the beginning of Jan, when New Years resolutions people are hitting the gym. All machines have hookups so you can bring headphones and listen to whatever is on the wall screens, including music videos, news, etc... Many machines also have their own screens so that you can watch whatever you like. These machines also have DVD players so you can bring in your own movies to watch while you work out.

Also, there is an attached quiet room with several aerobic machines, weight machines and free weights, if you don't like the music playing in the regular jungle gym. A bar separates the two halves of the jungle gym, you can buy energy drinks and such here.

Pump Room-lowest level

This room has weight machines and free weights for serious lifters. It's a testosterone heavy zone, be prepared!

Rothwell Clubs-lowest level

Locker rooms with private lockers, TVs etc. Membership in the Rothwell club is \$14/month and there is usually a long waiting list. Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, towels, etc... are all provided if you use these locker rooms.

Public locker rooms-lowest level

Public lockers for day use only, bring your own lock.

Brewer station/equipment desk-lowest level, across from public locker rooms

Check out equipment like basketballs, etc... here. Also the place to get towels for the pool. This is the place to go (or call) if you would like to reserve a squash/racquetball court or sign up for a TigerX class that requires a reservation (cycling, hydrospinning, reformer pilates).

Tiger Lair-lowest level

Black light cycling studio for TigerX classes.

Downtown Brewer-lowest level

Contains the martial arts studio, studio 29 (used for ping pong), personal training facilities and the spa (tanning, massage, etc).

TigerX studios-top level

Three studios which are used for a variety of workout classes, including everything from yoga to pilates to kickboxing. Amazing program if you prefer structured group workouts. A TigerX pass costs \$49 a semester but it's completely worth it. The classes are fun and they make working out a lot easier. You can buy a one class pass for \$7 which lets you get into one class, one time. For \$49, you can go to as many classes as you want, as often as you want. Make sure to sign up in advance for classes that require reservations (cycling, hydrospinning, reformer pilates). There are literally classes at all times of the day and on weekends. The complete schedule is listed at mizzourec.com or can be found in a copy of the Mizzourec nation magazine, which you can pick up at the rec center.

Generally, the week before each semester starts is free for any rec member and the first week of classes is also free. This is a great chance to try out the classes and see if you want to buy a TigerX pass or not. These classes are often packed (because they are free) so make sure to arrive early or reserve a spot early!

Other facilities

Several basketball courts are available, as well as squash and racquetball courts that can be reserved at the equipment desk. An indoor track is located at the west side of the facility and can be accessed via the TigerX hallway. Several mats are located around the track for stretching. Rowing machines are also available on balconies off of the track. Several study areas are scattered around the rec center with comfy chairs and computers for student use.

Basically the Rec is awesome and should definitely be taken advantage of. You can work out on your own, or take advantage of the structured TigerX classes, or just hang it in the spa-like aquatic facilities...it really is incredible what is available for student use.

Checking the website will keep you updated on hours (which are pretty liberal) and grabbing a copy of the MizzouRec nation magazine or the MizzouRec Directs (located at the main entrance) will let you know everything you need to know about available facilities.

Resources for Students with Children

There are a number of graduate students in our department with children. They are great resources for information about the special challenges of raising children while you're in graduate school. The following list of resources came from one of these students:

- The Student Parent Center (provides on-campus childcare, flexible hours)
website: <http://www.studentparentcenter.missouri.edu/>
- Women's Center, especially their family room with toys
website: <http://womenscenter.missouri.edu/wc-resources/for-student-parents/> (this website lists some great resources, too!)
- Campus lactation stations
locations: <http://womenscenter.missouri.edu/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/MU-Campus-Lactation-Stations.pdf>
- Cub Hub at ParentLink, provides an afternoon/evening study spot where service learning students interact with kiddos while parenting students study in a quiet, on-site area
website: http://education.missouri.edu/orgs/parentlink/student_parents.php
featured article: <https://mizzoumag.missouri.edu/2012/08/cub-hub-lends-student-parents-a-hand/>
facebook: Cub Hub (a program of ParentLink)
- Association of Parenting Students (formerly known as Mizzou Families Involved Together or MizFITs), an advocacy and social support organization for parenting students
Facebook: Association of Parenting Students (formerly MizFITs at MU)
- Family Night at the Rec
Website: http://mizzourec.com/programs/family_night/

Teaching:

Interested in TAing?

First, clear it with the professor you are currently working for.

Contact Dr. Gerald Summers (aka. Ace). He takes care of most teaching assignments.

E-mail: SummersG@missouri.edu

Title: Assoc Professor of Biological Sciences

Department: Biological Science

Office Phone: (573) 882-4369

Office Address: 204 Lefevre

Minor in College Teaching (see below in Minor and Certificate Section)

Sandra K. Abell Conversations in College Science Teaching

The "Conversations on College Science Teaching" series provides a forum for faculty and graduate students in the sciences to discuss issues of teaching and learn new instructional strategies. It is a luncheon conversation series led by science and education faculty on campus, which includes pizza, presentation, and discussion. The schedule for this is distributed each semester.

<http://education.missouri.edu/orgs/musec/home/Calendar.php>

Preparing Future Faculty:

<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/resources/preparing-faculty/preparing-future-faculty/index.php>

The program includes a doctoral and postdoctoral seminar course and professional development workshops (open to all graduate students and postdocs) throughout the year.

Preparing Future Faculty's vision for doctoral education includes learning about the expectations for faculty roles regarding teaching, research and service and an opportunity to experience what it is like to be a faculty member at a variety of types of institutions.

The goal is to ensure the development of future faculty prepared to meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

What Preparing Future Faculty Can Do For You

Become more aware of faculty roles in different institutions

Improve your teaching skills

Clarify your career choices

Develop a network of professional colleagues

Establish a mentoring relationship

Increase your self-confidence as an academic professional

Learn techniques for getting the first job offer

Prepare for your first academic job

Contact Mannie Liscum (liscume@missouri.edu) with questions.

Minor and Certificates:

Minor in College Teaching

<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/resources/preparing-faculty/minor-college-teaching/index.php>

You can take these courses without getting the minor.

Approximately 75 percent of faculty positions in the United States are at institutions where the importance of teaching and professional service is equal to or greater than the emphasis on research. The Minor in College Teaching, available to all MU doctoral students, demonstrates your preparation as an effective teacher to potential employers. Learn how to apply.

The Minor in College Teaching (MICT) requires 9 credit hours beyond the major plan of study. This includes a 3 hour core course, a teaching practicum, plus 3-6 elective hours. Core course options, practicum guidelines and elective course options are listed on the MICT requirements page.

What the Minor Can Do for You

Gain meaningful experience through a mentored teaching practicum

Increase your knowledge about learning and pedagogy

Engage in careful reflection about your own teaching philosophy and strategies

Extend your understanding of current issues in higher education

This site has a full list of certificates:

<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/academics/programs/results.php>

Only certificates that I thought were science-related are described below.

Education Policy (Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis)

http://education.missouri.edu/ELPA/program_areas/degree_pages/policy_studies_certificate.php

Program Overview

The objectives of the Education Policy Studies Graduate Certificate Program will be to provide students with:

Knowledge they can apply to the study of education policy within their major discipline or to their work in policy settings.

Skills in analyzing education policy issues, i.e., understanding differing values, political and economic arguments, costs/benefits, and policy processes.

Conceptual tools to use in understanding and resolving policy implementation problems.

The Graduate Certificate in Education Policy will serve both as a stand-alone graduate certificate program for non-degree graduate students, and as a graduate certificate that can be integrated within a master's or doctorate plan of study. It will be available to any MU graduate student.

Program Characteristics

Sequence of courses-(12 semester hours/four courses)

- 1). Required Courses (Nine semester hours/three courses)
- 2) One Elective Course (Three hours/one course)

All PhD students are required to complete internships in both college teaching and research. The doctoral student's advisory committee and the department's director of graduate studies will determine when this requirement has been satisfied.

Higher and Continuing Education Administration (HACE)

http://education.missouri.edu/ELPA/program_areas/degree_pages/HACE_certificate.php

Program Overview

The Graduate Certificate in Higher and Continuing Education Administration is designed to address the need for enhanced understanding of the higher education institutional context and for improved skills in areas required for effective administration of the higher and continuing education administration and governance and some technical knowledge about various aspects of administration (i.e., budget and finance, higher education law).

As a stand-alone certificate program it is available to all non-degree-seeking graduate students. Students may also apply the 12 hours of credit earned for this graduate certificate to the MEd or PhD in Higher and Continuing Education upon admission to one of these degree programs. Courses required for the proposed certificate are existing courses offered in the master's and doctoral programs. The student objectives of the certificate program are as following:

- To gain an understanding of the unique organizational features of higher education institutions and their governance.
- To achieve an understanding of relevant federal and state financial policies and their impact on the operation of higher education institutions.
- To obtain or enhance skills in analyzing financial reports and in budgeting.
- To obtain or enhance understanding of the legal system and its influence on the operation of higher and continuing education.
- To gain or enhance skills in legal research and analysis.
- To gain or enhance understanding and skills in an area of particular relevance to the administrative practice of the student (e.g., program planning for continuing educators, student affairs administration for student affairs professionals, the community college for community college administrators).

Program Characteristics

The Graduate Certificate in Higher and Continuing Education Administration draws upon the existing resources of established courses and current faculty. The participating faculty members will share the advising responsibility for certificate students, each of whom will be assigned a faculty advisor.

Sequence of Courses

* Required Courses (Six hours/two courses)

*Two Elective Course (Six hours/two courses)

Science and Public Policy (Public Affairs)

<http://truman.missouri.edu/prospectivestudents/certificates.asp?GCID=49>

Individuals working in scientific careers must be able to work across disciplinary boundaries to address a myriad of challenges confronting public health, the environment, and technological advancement. Decisions made in the public sector play an increasingly important role in dealing with these challenges. The Graduate Certificate in Science and Public Policy offers students the opportunity to develop skills and expertise to prepare them to effectively participate in future careers at the intersection of science and public policy. The program is designed to provide students with an understanding of the political context around policy decisions, particularly in areas of science, technology, health, and the environment. The program also offers students a systematic introduction into the field of policy analysis, giving them the ability to better understand and potentially participate in science policymaking.

The following courses are required:

PA 8170 Public Policy Processes and Strategies

PA 8430 Public Policy Analysis

Along with ONE of the following:

PA 8171 Environmental Policy

PA 8172 Health Policy

The fourth course is an elective chosen in consultation with Dr. David Konisky, Director of the Science and Public Policy certificate program. The student may select a graduate-level course in an area of science and public policy, broadly defined. Possible courses may be offered in agricultural economics, economics, political science, public affairs, natural resources, or another appropriate area of study.

Conservation Biology (Interdisciplinary)

<http://conservbio.missouri.edu/description.php>

Rationale

The purpose for a graduate Certificate in Conservation Biology is to provide students with interdisciplinary training outside the boundaries of current MU graduate degree programs. There is no single graduate program at MU that effectively prepares students for the interdisciplinary nature of a career in conservation biology. The need for a certificate is driven by these factors: 1) a student's need to provide prospective employers with effective credentials in the field of conservation biology; 2) an employer's need to be confident that an employee has the skills and knowledge to

handle complex assignments or tasks at the interface of biology, resource management, and public policy; and 3) MU's need to attract the best available graduate students, which we can only accomplish if we meet the student and employer needs.

Program Description

The purpose of the curriculum for a certificate in Conservation Biology is to provide interdisciplinary coursework and experience beyond that offered in existing degree programs. The certificate curriculum requirements intend to help a student reach a higher level of competence in conservation biology. To accomplish this goal, we require that each student complete:

Interdisciplinary Coursework

Ph.D. students: 15 credit hours of coursework, 12 of which may overlap with the degree course of study.

M.S./M.A. students: 9 credit hours of coursework, ...of which may overlap with the degree course of study.

Coursework must include one course each from the following areas: Science, Techniques and Policy. (See approved course list.)

Total credit hours need not exceed Graduate School degree requirements

Practical Internship (click for more details)

160 hours of an internship exploring an area complementary to the student's conservation career goals, under the guidance of a mentor, yielding a tangible product (e.g. paper, publication, presentation).

Certificate Requirements

Basic Requirements

To obtain a Conservation Biology Certificate, students must complete all requirements of their graduate degree program and adhere to the regulations established by the Graduate School at MU concerning minimum acceptable grade point average and residency requirements.

Process for Completing the Certificate

Enroll in a graduate degree program at MU.

Develop course of study (i.e. select courses and internship).

Send completed [Proposed Course Of Study Form] to Chair of Curriculum Committee via Janice Faaborg, Academic Advisor (303 ABNR).

Verify enrollment from Curriculum Committee (i.e. you should receive an email from the Curriculum Chair).

Send completed [Proposed Internship Form] to Chair of Curriculum Committee via Janice Faaborg, Academic Advisor (303 ABNR).

Verify internship approval from Curriculum Committee (i.e. you should receive an email from the Curriculum Chair).

Complete coursework and internship.

If you need to change your course of study midway through the program, send an amended [Proposed Course Of Study Form] to the Curriculum Committee.

Provide the Curriculum Committee with a [Course Of Study Form], transcripts, and documentation of a completed internship from the internship supervisor to demonstrate that you have fulfilled the requirements of the certificate stated on the Proposed Course of Study form.

Geographical Information Sciences (Interdisciplinary) Graduate Certificate

Total credit hours: 12

Certificate description: Students from a wide range of disciplines will benefit from students with the theoretical, practical and technical skills that are essential for the analysis of spatial data. Learners become proficient in the use and application of GIS technologies through a flexible set of courses and hands-on experiences. The program offers the training and experience necessary to prepare for the rapidly expanding professional opportunities available in the diverse set of fields that depend on geographic information.

Certificate web site:

<http://www.geog.missouri.edu/?q=gis-certificate-program>

For information about certificate, contact: Dr. Mark Palmer (Department of Geography) or Dr. Hong He (School of Natural Resources).

Annual Report:

Once a year, every graduate student in Biological Sciences has to submit an annual report. This is now done online.

<https://gsps.missouri.edu/>

You only have to fill out the sections "Required by the Graduate School" but it's recommended that you also fill out the "May Be Required by Your Academic Program Sections". As part of this, you will fill out a "Progress Report" that your advisor is supposed to respond to.

The annual report is useful for you because it keeps all of your accomplishments and awards in order in one location. You can even use the site to create a CV. Nila will send out emails reminding you to fill this out, usually by the end of March.

You will sign up for a time to meet with Nila, Dr. Ray Semlitsch, and/or Dr. Steve Alexander. This meeting usually lasts for 10-15 minutes in Nila's office. This annual meeting is done for two reasons. First, for the department to make sure that you are on track to graduation. Second, to make sure that you are doing well in your lab, with your advisor and your classes. In other words, this is a safe place for you to talk if you are having serious problems with anyone or anything. Nila and the graduate student coordinators (Dr. Ray Semlitsch and Dr. Steve Alexander) are always people you can talk to if you have a serious problem.

Student Organizations:

Use the Search tool at the Organization Resource Group (ORG) website.

<http://getinvolved.missouri.edu/index.php?page=2>

At the top left of the page you can click on "Find a Student Organizations". Then click on the link theorg.missouri.edu/publicsearch.aspx to do the search. You can search by keywords such as "biology" and "science" to find the following organizations.

Biology Graduate Student Association (BGSA)

<http://biograd.students.missouri.edu/>

The Goals of BGSA Are:

- To organize the graduate student body within the Division of Biological Sciences for both academic and social purposes.
- To promote and facilitate communication between faculty and graduate students within the Division of Biological Sciences.
- To serve as a student voice for the membership in manners which concern them.
- To serve as a link between graduate and undergraduate students within the Division of Biological Sciences.

If you are a student in Biological Sciences you are automatically a member. There are no dues.

Graduate Professional Council (GPC)

<http://gpc.missouri.edu/>

GPC meets on the first Tuesday of every month.

GPC is the Graduate Professional Council, the official student government for all graduate, professional, and post-baccalaureate students. Since 1982, it has represented all the departments of the Graduate School and the schools of Business and Public Administration, Law, Medicine and Veterinary Medicine. GPC is the voice of Graduate/professional students to many of the important decision making bodies of the University of Missouri, including the Board of Curators and numerous faculty committees. Another function is the development of events such as the Research and Creative Activities Forum to showcase the Innovations and talents of the graduate and professional students at the university. GPC also brings you captivating social events to give you the opportunity to meet your fellow graduate professional students.

Graduate Student Association (GSA)

<http://gsa.missouri.edu/>

Meetings are held once a month.

The graduate student association is a student run organization whose mission is to champion the needs and interests of the graduate students at the University of Missouri.

Mission of the GSA

The Graduate students Association seeks to pursue the following:

- Represent graduate student interests to the graduate faculty and administration.
- Support graduate students on a departmental level through allocating available funds and making funds for programming.
- To support special projects and programs.
- To enhance the academic pursuits of graduate students.
- To organize social events.

Graduate Student Science Outreach (GSSO) <http://gssso.missouri.edu>

The Graduate Student Science Outreach program connects graduate students from the University of Missouri with classrooms in local public schools to show how science is fun and how interesting questions are asked and answered. Teachers can select from a list of graduate students who are available to speak to classrooms about their research and the excitement of scientific discovery. The diverse backgrounds and research interests of graduate students participating in the program allow teachers to select from a variety of topics and presentation styles (e.g. lecture, interactive presentation, nature walk). Teachers interested in scheduling a speaker or learning more about the program can visit <http://gssso.missouri.edu>. Questions? Feel free to contact the Office of Science Outreach at 573-882-2737.

Travel Grants:

There are several different sources for travel grants on campus.

- Fellowship- If you have a fellowship they may provide you with travel money. For example, the Life Sciences Fellowship provides money for travel during the first year ONLY.
- Division of Biological Sciences- You can get a travel grant from the division. See Nila for the forms and turn them into Nila.
- Graduate School- there are four different travel awards available through the graduate school <http://gradschool.missouri.edu/financials/graduate-awards-travel-scholarships/index.php>
- BGSA- see above; recommended that you attend BGSA meetings
- GSA- see above for web site
- GPC- see above

Biological Sciences Graduate Students:

At the Biological Sciences website you can find a list of graduate students and the labs they work in. You can use this list to locate people who are interested in similar research topics and techniques to your own. You should feel free to ask the students for information and advice.

<http://www.biology.missouri.edu/>

On the list on the left side of the webpage, click on "People". Then click on "Graduate Students". From there you can look at any graduate student.

Additional information:**Graduate School website:**

<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/admission/admitted/>

Biological Sciences website:

<http://www.biology.missouri.edu/>