

Department of Communication Orientation Week 2020

Italicized meetings are organized by units other than COMM.

WebEx meeting invites will be sent on August 20th.

- In July, new graduate students will be invited to an online, asynchronous orientation by the Graduate School (<https://grad.uconn.edu/incoming-students/orientation/>).
- Before August 21, new TAs should register for New TA Orientation with the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning – required for all new TAs – <http://cetl.uconn.edu/ta-orientation>; Choose “I am teaching a course” then check grading, facilitating discussions, and office hours.
- Returning TAs who have not yet attended training on teaching a W course should take the online training offered by the Writing Center at <https://writingcenter.uconn.edu/august-2020-w-teaching-orientation/>.

Monday, August 24

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| 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM | Welcome for new grad students with Dr. Kirstie Farrar – required for new grad students – 225 Arjona |
| 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM | Graduate Program Policies, Procedures, and Expectations with Dr. Farrar – required for new grad students – 225 Arjona |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | Lunch (provided) and Q&A with new grad students and Dr. Kirstie Farrar and Dr. Ken Lachlan – 225 Arjona and WebEx |
| 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM | Getting Ready to Teach for Comm with Dr. Steve Stifano – required for all new TAs – Online via WebEx |

Tuesday, August 25

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| 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | <i>New TA Orientation with Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning – required for all new TAs – Online/Synchronous (with an additional online/asynchronous module due by August 30) – see link above to register</i> |
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Wednesday, August 26

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| 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM | Teaching COMM 1000 with Dr. Steve Stifano – required for new and returning COMM 1000 TAs – Online via WebEx |
| 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM | Teaching COMM 1100 with Dr. Rory McGloin – required for new and returning COMM 1100 TAs – Online via WebEx |

Thursday, August 27

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| 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Teaching COMM 1000 with Dr. Steve Stifano – required for new and returning COMM 1000 TAs – Online via WebEx |
| 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Teaching COMM 1100 with Dr. Rory McGloin – required for new and returning COMM 1100 TAs – Online via WebEx |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | Meetings with major advisors – for new graduate students and their major advisors (Christensen, D’Alessio, Denes, Farrar, Lin) – Online |

- 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM Teaching COMM 1000 with Dr. Steve Stifano – required for new and returning COMM 1000 TAs – Online via WebEx
- 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM Teaching COMM 1100 with Dr. Rory McGloin – required for new and returning COMM 1100 TAs – Online via WebEx
- 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Teaching COMM 2310W with Dr. Ken Lachlan – required for new and returning COMM 2310W TAs – Online via WebEx

Friday, August 28

- 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Grad Program Updates with Dr. Kirstie Farrar – required for returning grad students – Online via WebEx
- 10:30 AM -11:30 AM Resources for Healthy Students with Dr. Amanda Waters from UConn Student Health and Wellness - Mental Health – required for new and returning grad students – Online via WebEx
- 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM Presentation from Graduate Employee Union representatives – required for new and returning GAs – Online via WebEx
- 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM Course enrollment overview with Katie D’Antonio and Joel Nebres – required for new and returning GAs – Online via WebEx
- 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM Fall 2020 Kick-Off for all grad students, staff, and faculty – required for all graduate students; expected for full-time faculty and staff – Online via WebEx

UPCOMING!!

Wednesday Workshops for Graduate Students

These attendance-optional panels/presentations/workshops/meetings will take place on Wednesdays at 3:00-4:30 p.m. via WebEx:

- 9/9 CGSA meeting
- 9/23 Navigating Graduate School
- 9/30 Common Teaching Challenges
- 10/14 Publishing in Communication
- 10/28 Work/Life Balance
- 11/11 Conferencing/Presenting at NCA and Beyond

More information and WebEx invitations forthcoming, but jot these down on your calendar!