



Three MS Chemical Sciences Alumni Begin Ph.D. Journeys at FSU

This fall, three alumni from KSU's MS in Chemical Sciences program (MSCB) are embarking on the next chapter of their academic careers as Ph.D. students at Florida State University.

Gyllian Jewett credits the molecular and cellular biosciences track for equipping her with the skills and confidence to pursue doctoral studies. "The MSCB program more than prepared me for the doctoral program at FSU," she said. "I had the opportunity to learn skills as a student and researcher that I will use the rest of my career."

Aleksandra Hilliard, who completed both her undergrad and graduate degrees at KSU, reflected on her seven-year journey. "From studying abroad in Italy ... to conducting laboratory research with Dr. Koether and Dr. Msimanga ... I look back on my time at KSU with deep appreciation, especially for the exceptional professors who cared about student success and inspired me to push farther," she shared.

Also expressing her appreciation for the mentorship and community she found at KSU, Rupali Mangotra recounts, "My time there not only strengthened my academic foundation but also helped me grow personally." Under the guidance of Dr. Madalynn Marshall, Rupali developed a passion for solid-state chemistry and looks forward to exploring magnetism at FSU's National High Magnetic Field Lab.

Together, these three scholars carry forward the legacy of excellence at KSU, ready to make their mark in the world of chemical sciences.

Upcoming Job and Internship Fairs

Explore exclusive opportunities for graduate students at our upcoming career events! Employers are actively seeking advanced degree candidates—don't miss your chance to connect, attend a fair and visit Graduate Row!

STEM Career Fair – Day 3

- October 2, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.
- Marietta Event Center (Old Gymnasium)
- Register to attend [here](#)



Fall Job & Internship Fair

- October 28–29, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.
- Kennesaw Student Recreation Center
- Register to attend [here](#)



Government & Non-Profit Career Fair

- October 28, 11 a.m.–3 p.m.
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MS Cybersecurity Program Awarded National Distinction

The college of Computing and Software Engineering is proud to share that the National Security Agency (NSA) Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense has granted KSU's master's of Cybersecurity a program distinction through 2030.

The NSA awards this recognition to top programs meeting the highest standards in cyber education and research. Programs must show robust

We are so grateful for our professors' hard work to meet the rigor of this NSA distinction, for our colleagues at the Graduate College for their consistent support, and for our students who take on new cyber challenges every day in the classroom and the workplace.

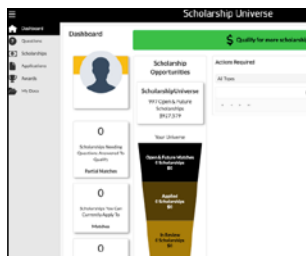
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curricula, experienced faculty, student engagement in hands-on labs, and alignment with industry and government cybersecurity workforce needs.

Students studying in programs with the Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense distinction often gain access to scholarships, internships, and federal job opportunities such as the Department of Defense Cyber Scholarship Program and the National Science Foundation Scholarship for Service.

ScholarshipUniverse Opens November 1

The Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid announced the portal for ScholarshipUniverse will open on **November 1, 2025**.



ScholarshipUniverse is a tool used to search and apply for thousands of scholarships. Unlike other scholarship websites, ScholarshipUniverse provides a customized list of the scholarships whose eligibility requirements you meet, saving you time and effort. You can also be confident knowing that a third-party company has vetted all scholarships listed and that your information will not be sold.

Visit the [Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid web page](#) to learn about how to search for and apply for scholarships.



Doctoral Mentorship Sessions

The first doctoral student mentoring session brought together nearly 65 students from both CCSE doctoral programs to focus on their Independent Development Plans.

This collaborative event is part of the Graduate College's commitment to student success. Over the coming weeks, we'll be hosting similar sessions across colleges, connecting doctoral students and their advisors to support academic and professional growth.

Direct all questions to: gradcollege@kennesaw.edu

Want to share news from your program or give a shout out to a student who is doing amazing research? Let us know! Send your story idea to Tracy Gaudlip in the Graduate College at tgaudlip@kennesaw.edu.



October 2025 Events

Chat with the Graduate College Staff

Learn about GRA/GTA, Website, Emails, Academic Progression, Student Success Events, T-Shirt contest instructions, and more.

- **October 1, 4:30-6 p.m.**
Norton Hall, 2nd Floor
Marietta Campus
- **October 2, 5-6 p.m.**
Virtual One-on-One: Microsoft Teams
Email gradcollege@kennesaw.edu to schedule your appointment
- **October 7, 4-6 p.m.**
Academic Learning Center, Room 3550
Kennesaw Campus

How to Format Your Dissertation

It is recommended that doctoral candidates planning to graduate this semester attend this workshop.

- **October 13, 2025, 5-6 p.m.**
Virtual: Microsoft Teams
Click [HERE](#) to register.

Learn more about ZOTERO: Your Personal Research Assistant!

- **October 22, 2025, 5-6:30 p.m.**
Virtual
Click [HERE](#) to register.

For more information, locations, and to register for events, visit the [Events Calendar](#) on our website.



October is

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- WED 02** **COUCH CONVERSATIONS**
12:00pm-4:00pm
Kennesaw Campus Green and Marietta Campus The Globe
- WED 08** **FLOCK TOGETHER TRAINING (RECOVERY ALLY)**
3:30pm-4:45pm
Marietta Campus, Wilson Student Ctr, A 216
- FRI 10** **YOU MATTER WITH KSU DINING**
11:00am-2:00pm
Marietta Stingers and Kennesaw Commons
- MON 13** **POP UP BODEGA**
11:00am-1:00pm
Marietta Campus, Globe area
- TUES 21** **BIKE MAINTENANCE CLINIC: FIXING A FLAT**
10:00am-2:00pm
Kennesaw Campus
Student Recreation and Activities, Outdoor Adventures
- WED 29** **HEALTH RESOURCE FAIR**
11:00am-2:00pm
Marietta Campus
Wilson Student Ctr, Ballrooms

Join the Graduate Student Association

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