



Graduate Student Newsletter

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Salute to Service: Army National Guard Exploration Day

Join the KSU <u>Military and Veterans Services</u> and Army National Guard on the Kennesaw Campus Green on **Thursday, November 20, from 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.** and explore careers in healthcare, cybersecurity, and machinery (weather permitting).

- Helicopter landing at 7:30 a.m.
- · Career info booths
- · Military vehicles
- · Pull-up bar
- Fitness test

For more information, see the <u>event on Owl Life</u> or email **veterans_resource@kennesaw.edu**.

ScholarshipUniverse Now Open

The portal for ScholarshipUniverse will open on **November 1, 2025**.

ScholarshipUniverse provides a customized list of the scholarships whose eligibility requirements you meet, saving you time and effort.

Visit the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid web page to learn about how to search for and apply for scholarships.

MSN Recruiting Students for Study Abroad in Nigeria

Graduate nursing students at KSU's WellStar School of Nursing have an opportunity to travel to Nigeria in 2026 for a handson study abroad program with faculty, Dr. Adebayo, Dr. Samantha Yip, and Dr. Modupe Akintomide.



The course, Global Nursing Perspectives: Health Promotion and Maintenance in Nigeria, blends classroom learning with immersive fieldwork. Students will partner with local healthcare providers to conduct community interviews, assess health disparities, and design evidence-based interventions tailored to Nigerian communities.

According to Dr. Modupeola Adebayo, Assistant Professor of Nursing and Program Faculty Leader. "This program allows our students to see health promotion through a global lens while developing the skills to lead culturally competent care back home.

Before departure, students complete workshops on global health policy, research methods, and virtual simulations that replicate the social and economic realities of Nigeria. In-country, their experiences will include patient screenings, health education projects, and cultural site visits to the Osun River in Osogbo and Obafemi Awolowo University.

Application window opens on **April 1, 2026**. Information will be posted **HERE.**

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Doctoral Students—Preparing to Walk at Commencement?

Below is important information to help you prepare for graduation and, if you choose, to participate in Fall 2025 commencement.

- 1. Check DegreeWorks. Ensure that all requirements, including all dissertation forms, have been approved—except for the oral defense form. All forms must be approved (as reflected in DegreeWorks) before you are eligible to graduate AND eligible to walk in commencement.
- You have successfully defended your dissertation, and the defense forms have been submitted to <u>dissertationforms@kennesaw.edu</u> by the deadlines listed below.

- 3. **Here is the timeline** for permission to walk in commencement:
 - **November 24, 2025** To ensure that you can participate, receive guest tickets, and have your name in the commencement program.
 - **December 4, 2025** To ensure that you can participate and receive guest tickets.

Doctoral forms use and instructions can be found on the <u>Thesis and Dissertations page</u> on our website.

For more information, please contact: gradcollege@kennesaw.edu



KSU Global Education Now Accepting Award Nominations

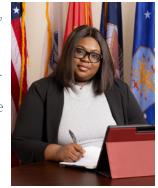
KSU <u>Global Education</u> is now accepting Sheth International Achievement Award nominations of both faculty and alumni who have distinguished themselves by making contributions to the welfare of communities outside the United States.

- Sheth Faculty Award for Distinguished International Achievement More information HERE.
- · Sheth International Distinguished Alumni Award for Exceptional Humanitarian and Service Achievement

More information **HERE**.

KSU Doctoral Candidate' Uses Workshop Experience to Bridge Peace Studies and Military Strategy

Osebhahiemen "Ose" Okooboh, a doctoral candidate in Kennesaw State University's Ph.D. in International Conflict Management program, returned this summer from the prestigious Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS), convened by Columbia University's Saltzman



Institute of War and Peace, and hosted at Cornell University, with a transformed perspective on peace, war, and strategic military decision-making. The experience deepened her dissertation research and added breadth to her work on risk behavior in defense

Read the full article **HERE**.

and military policy.



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GSA Hosts Shark Tank Event

On October 20, the Graduate Student Association (GSA) hosted its inaugural **Shark Tank: Graduate Research & Project Pitch** in the Joe Mack Wilson Student Center on Marietta Campus.

Graduate students were asked to pitch their research ideas, academic projects, or entrepreneurial concepts in a 10-minute presentation to a panel of faculty judges from the Engineering and Business programs.

Six graduate students presented their ideas in front the judges and an audience of about 20 people. "The event was a huge success," said GSA President Rohan Jonnalagadda. "We had a great turnout and lots of positive feedback." The GSA plans to hold more events like this in the future.

Audience member Simone Brock, master's student in Integrated Global Communications, thought the event was a great idea and enjoyed all of the presentations.

"The judges were on it. They asked good, grueling questions, and make sure everyone who pitched fully thought out their business idea."

The Graduate College would like to thank all of the participants and extend congratulations to the award winners:

- Most Innovative Idea: Pritam Deb (Precision Public Health: A Two-Tier Cost-Effective Framework for Caries Prevention Policies in the U.S.)
- Best Feasibility & Implementation: Bradford Creecy (Moiren: Making Metal 3D Printing Affordable and Usable for SMBs)
- **Best Presentation:** Kimberly Smith (Qualities of an Effective Leader in the Architecture, Engineering, and Construction Industry)
- · People's Choice Award: Kimberly Smith
- Outstanding Response to Questions: Reed Tumlin and Roderick Powell (Perception of Mobile Robots in Various Environmental Settings)
- Judge's Choice Award: An Pham (Meetless: Better Decisions. Fewer Meetings)
- · Best Interdisciplinary Project: An Pham





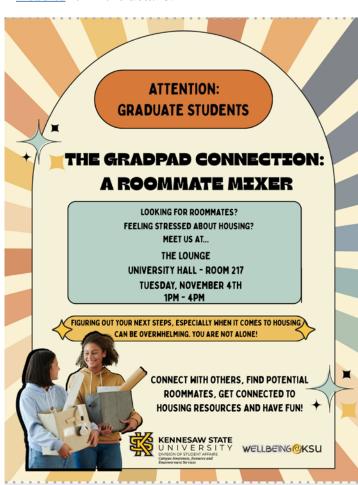
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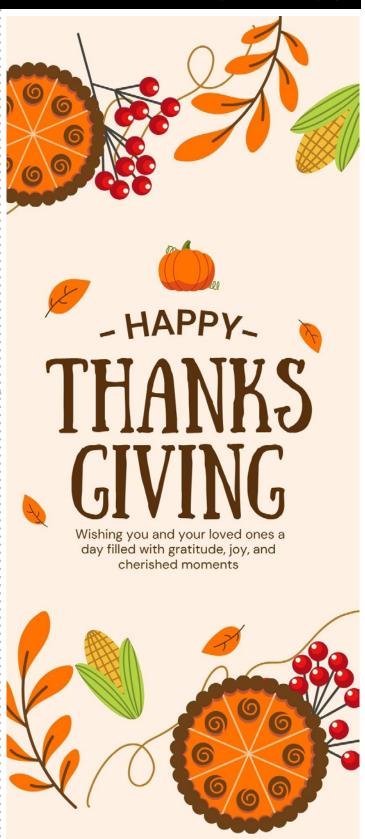
GEM Scholarships Awarded to Two Students in Interdisciplinary Engineering Ph.D. Program

Edgar Bryant and Mechack Nduwa two Ph.D. students in the interdisciplinary engineering program, were awarded fellowships by The National GEM Consortium (GEM).

The National GEM Consortium (GEM) is a fellowship that allows students to pursue graduate degrees by providing full tuition, stipends, and summer internships.

The current application cycle will close on November 14, 2025. Interested applicants should visit the **GEM** website for more details.







November 2025 Events

The GradPad Connection: A Roommate Mixer

Attend this event to find potential roommates and get connected to housing resources.

• November 4, 1-4 p.m. University Hall, Room 217 Kennesaw Campus

Chat with the Graduate College Staff

Learn about GRA/GTA, Website, Emails, Academic Progression, Student Success Events, and more.

• November 4, 4-6 p.m. Academic Learning Center, Room 3550 Kennesaw Campus

• November 5, 4:30-6 p.m. Norton Hall, 2nd Floor Marietta Campus

• November 6, 5-6 p.m.

Virtual One-on-One: Microsoft Teams Email **gradcollege@kennesaw.edu** to schedule your appointment

After Hours Career Advising

Sign up <u>HERE</u> for resume and cover letter reviews, internship and job search strategies, interview prep, and more.

• November 4, 11, and 18, 5-6 p.m.

Yoga Nights!

Take a break from your studies and join us for a relaxing evening of yoga. Yoga mats will be provided for the in-person sessions.

Students are required to complete a facility

waiver for the in-person sessions. Visit <u>mysportsrec.kennesaw.edu.</u> On the top right select "sign in." Log in with your NetID and password. The waiver will appear. Review waiver and click "Accept Now."

• November 12, 5-6 p.m.
Recreation and Wellness Center
Group Fitness Studio
Marietta Campus

• November 13, 5-6 p.m.

Siegel Student Recreation & Activities Center Room 2090 Kennesaw Campus

Beyond the Basics: Advanced Resume & CV Strategies

Learn how to create strong, effective resumes and CVs for academic and professional roles.

• November 17, 2025, 5-6 p.m. Online: Click <u>HERE</u> to register.

Naloxone Training

Learn how to administer naloxone, a medication that can reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. **Sign-up is required. Click HERE to register.**

• November 19, 2025, 5-6 p.m. Academic Learning Center, Room 3550 Kennesaw Campus

For more information, locations, and to register for events, visit the **Events** Calendar on our website or scan the QR code.

