

Hello,

We're reaching out to ask for your support in sharing an opportunity with the graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, faculty, and staff in your department.

As part of our summer undergraduate research programming, the Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity (URCA) is hosting two [Summer Networking Lunches](#), titled "Life as a Graduate Student". **The events are free, and lunch will be provided for in-person participants.** These informal sessions offer undergraduates the opportunity to ask questions and hear firsthand about graduate school experiences, research life, career planning, and how to navigate the transition from undergraduate to graduate education.

The Networking Lunches will be held:

- Virtually via Zoom [Wednesday, June 25 from 12:00–1:00 PM](#) (ET)
- In-Person on [Thursday, June 26 from 12:00-1:00PM](#) (ET) at the STEM Building

We're looking for graduate students and post-docs who are willing to:

- Share their graduate school journey and what they've learned along the way
- Offer insights on selecting programs, work-life balance, and academic expectations
- Engage in small-group or breakout room discussions with undergraduates

Your participation plays a valuable role in helping undergraduate students explore their next steps and feel more confident about their academic and career futures.

Please share the following registration links with graduate students and others in your department.

Registration closes June 18th!

- Virtual: https://msu.zoom.us/meeting/register/gOLOGtzXQAG53RikdS_DAO
- In-Person: https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4ltrJxB3AH6f3nv

If you have questions or would like more information, feel free to reach out to us at ugrsrch@msu.edu or 517-884-4384. Thank you for considering this opportunity to support MSU's undergraduate research community.

Best regards,

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