

# Graduate Education at UT Dallas

Overview, Getting Started  
&  
Where to Ask for Help



Office of Graduate Studies

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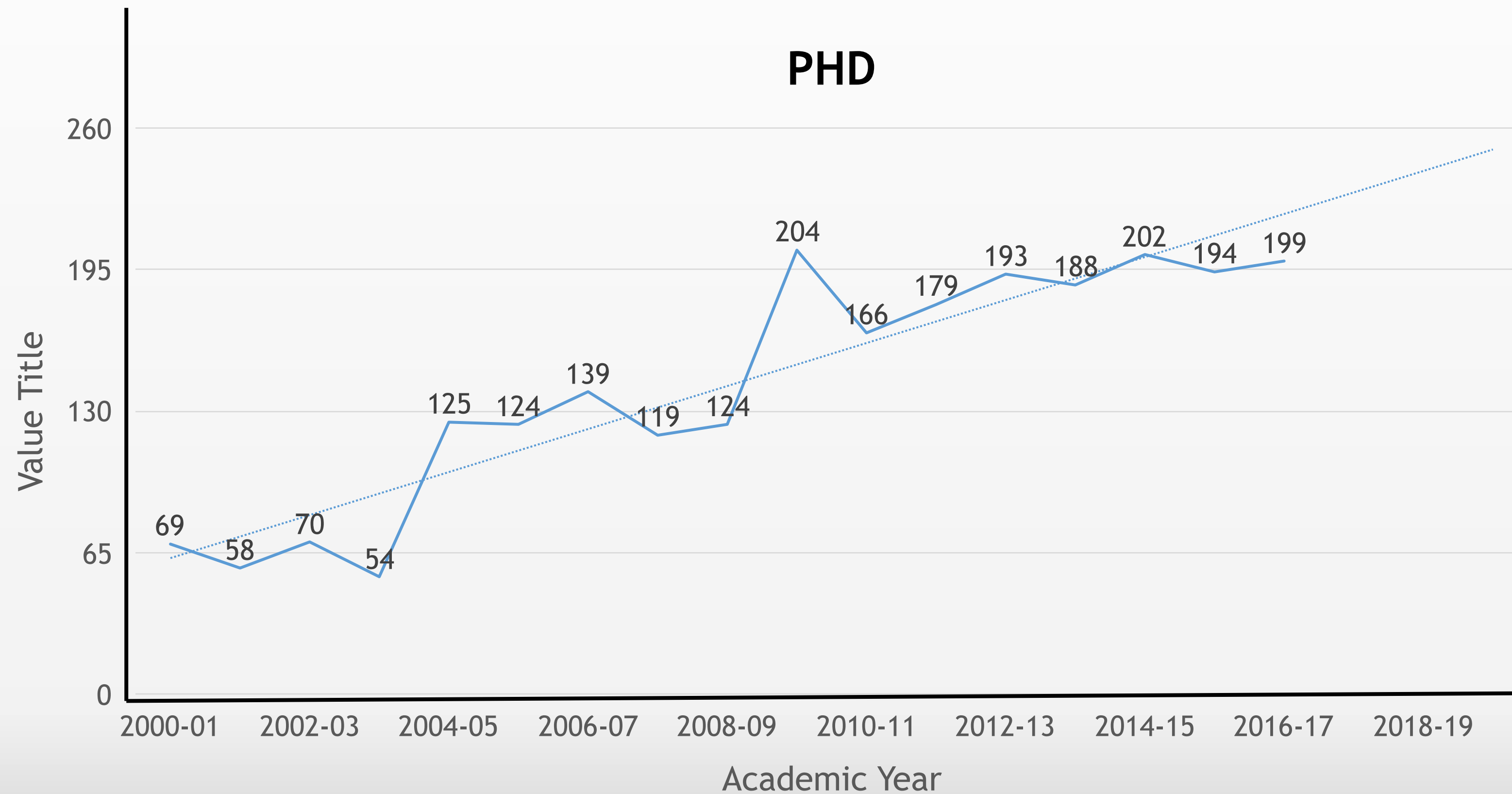
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# Graduate Programs at UT Dallas

- 30 Doctoral Programs
- 59 Masters Programs
- Graduate Enrollment – 9,491 in May 2017, which constitutes 35% of total university enrollment

# Doctoral Graduates

Includes PhD and AuD



As reported to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. 20116-2017

# Succeeding in Graduate School

- For an excellent resource on strategies for success in multiple languages, see [http://  
www.studygs.net/index.htm](http://www.studygs.net/index.htm)



# Getting Started

- Contact your academic advisor

<http://www.utdallas.edu/admissions/graduate/degrees/>

- Consider whether you need to transfer any coursework

- Get to know the catalogue - <http://catalog.utdallas.edu/>

# Sources for Guidance

- Faculty Instructors
- Research or Teaching Supervisors
- Program Heads

# Other Sources of Help

## Your Associate Dean for Graduate Studies

- Kim Knight, School of Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communication



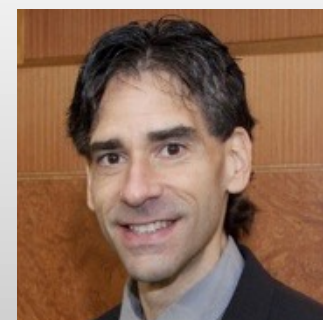
- John Gooch, School of Arts and Humanities



- Bob Stillman, School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences



- Alex Piquero, School of Economic, Policy, and Political Sciences



- Poras Balsara, Interim Dean, Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science



- George Fair, School of Interdisciplinary Studies



- Varghese Jacob, Jindal School of Management



- Juan Gonzalez, School of Natural Science and Mathematics





# Other Sources of Support for Graduate Students

- The Library
- The Student Success Center
- The Counseling Center
- Office of Student Accessibility
- Center for Students in Recovery
- Center for Veterans Affairs
- The Career Center
- International Student Services

# Other Sources of Help

The Office of Graduate Studies, FA 3.102, X2234



Tamra Jackson  
Administrative Assistant



Rob Pearson  
Director of Graduate Student  
Careers



Beth Keithly  
Distinguished Fellowships  
Advisor



Thomasina Hickmann  
Learning Program Specialist



Amanda Aiuvalasit  
Graduate Reader



Josefine Green  
Assistant Graduate Reader

# Events, Workshops and More...

- Graduate Writing Services Workshops
- Graduate Career Services Workshops
- Distinguished Fellowship Services Workshops
- Center for Teaching and Learning Certificate Series  
<http://www.utdallas.edu/ctl/>
- Research Integrity Training Series  
<https://research.utdallas.edu/orc/rcr/training>
- Social Events

[www.utdallas.edu/ogs](http://www.utdallas.edu/ogs)



# Top 10 Suggestions for Succeeding in Graduate School

1. Treat your graduate education like a more-than-full-time job. Show up as much as possible, to your classes and your labs and meetings and talks. Invest in developing yourself.
2. Make your graduate education your top priority: courses, research, teaching, and everything else you can learn.
3. Remember that your goal is not just to get through the program, but to gain the skills you will need to find meaningful work that you will love for the rest of your life.
4. Think clearly and deliberately about your own goals, for the day, the week, the year and your future.
5. Foster relationships, with peers, supervisors, and professional contacts. Learn from and support others. The worlds of academia and industry are small. Never burn bridges.
6. Acknowledge the contributions of others and respect different disciplines.
7. Learn to write a lot.
8. Work steadily, nihil nimus, have a life outside of work. If you are not having fun, you are not doing it right.
9. Take your own ideas seriously, don't worry about trends, and persist in the face of negative feedback. View criticism as others helping you make your work even better.
10. Have the courage to try novel methods, in your research, your teaching, and in your daily work life.

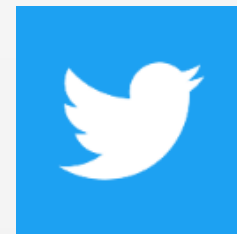
# Questions

We look forward to working with you.

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