2015 Doctoral Experience Survey
At a Glance

Survey Demographics

- Gender: 47% Female, 53% Male
- Citizenship: U.S. 62%, Int'l 38%
- U.S. Race & Ethnicity: URM* (11%), SOC** (25%), Non-URM (75%)

Overall Experience and Quality of Academic Programs

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<td>Found their academic experience good to excellent.</td>
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Supporting Professional Development in 2015

- 91% found oral communication and presentation skills to be somewhat to very helpful.
- 86% found preparing articles for publication to be somewhat to very helpful.
- 90% found understanding professionalism and research ethics to be somewhat to very helpful.

Providing Resources and Services

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* Underrepresented Minority: Includes Black/African American, Native American/Alaskan Native, Hispanic American, Pacific Islander
** Students of Color: URM plus US Citizens identifying as Asian American or Multicultural (other than Hispanic)
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Effective Advising and Mentoring

- 81% agreed or strongly agreed their advisor had reasonable expectations.
- 83% met with their advisor once a month or more frequently.
- 86% agreed or strongly agreed their advisor is available.
- 75% felt the contact with their advisor was the right amount.

Positive Experiences and Engagement

Assistantships

- 86% found their TA experience somewhat to very helpful.
- 93% Humanities
- 81% Physical Sciences
- 86% Life Sciences
- 85% Social Sciences

Student and Faculty Interactions

- 95% found their GRA/RA experience somewhat to very helpful.
- 96% Physical Sciences
- 93% Life Sciences
- 92% Social Sciences

- 84% agreed they are treated with respect by faculty.
- 86% agreed their interactions with faculty are positive.
- 85% agreed students in their program are collegial.