New Funding Opportunity! Graduate Resident Scholar Program  
Application Deadline is February 3  
Graduate Resident Scholars (GRS) work in a professional capacity with MSU residence hall personnel. GRSs serve as Resident Advisors, act as mentors to undergraduate students interested in graduate school and work on a research project tied to their graduate program. GRSs will receive room and board in an MSU residence hall, a tuition waiver, and a $250 monthly stipend. Contact Jeff Bondy, Director of Residence Life, (jbondy@montana.edu), with questions.

An information and application packet is attached.

Thursday, February 4, 4-7 pm  
Application deadline is February 1  
The Sharing Science program is designed to give graduate students a well-rounded experience using hands-on STEM activities to stimulate informal science learning discussions. We will discuss ways to design outreach opportunities based on your research, which can be helpful when writing broader impacts statements and outreach plans for grant proposals.

The program consists of a three-hour workshop (Dinner is included!), followed by a practicum (approximately two hours). Sharing Science is open to Ph.D. and Master’s students in STEM-related fields as well as the social sciences, and 15 graduate students will be selected. Students who are interested in talking with the public about the societal impacts of new developments in science and technology are encouraged to apply.

Click here for more information or to apply: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MSUSharingScience-SPR16

“So Tell Me About Your Research…” An Elevator Pitch Workshop for Graduate Students  
February 9, 1 -2:30 pm  
Blackstone LaunchPad, SUB 251 (Off of the upper-level food court)  
Can you summarize your research or scholarly work in three minutes or less? Can you explain it to a ten-year old? If you have answered “No” to either of these questions you may need to work on your “elevator pitch.”

An elevator pitch is a concise, effective description about you and your research or scholarly work and can help you create a positive first impression. From a 30 second personal introduction at a conference to a three minute research presentation, the elevator pitch comes in many forms and is an essential skill for graduate students to master.

The Graduate School teams with Les Craig of the Blackstone LaunchPad to present this dynamic hands-on workshop. Mr. Craig will review key elements of an elevator pitch and participants will learn how to tailor theirs to a variety of audiences. There will be several chances to practice delivering your elevator pitch.
Click here for more information or to register: http://calendar.msu.montana.edu/events/18451