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	SUNDAY, MARCH 3	
9:30 a.m 5:30 p.m.	Tucson Festival of Books Flandrau Science Center & Planetarium	UA Campus
·	Fred Lawrence Whipple Observatory	
2:30– 4:30 p.m.	Executive Committee Board Meeting	Santa Rita
4–5 p.m.	Registration	Promenade
5:30–8 p.m.	WAGS Welcome Reception	Kiva Patio or Kiva A&B if rain
7–7:30 p.m.	Welcome Address: Robert C. Robbins, President, U	niversity of Arizona

	MONDAY, MARCH 4	
7-8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Kiva Patio
8 a.mNoon	Registration	Promenade
8 a.m4 p.m.	Exhibits	Foyer East & West
8:45-9 a.m.	Welcome Address and Introductions	Kiva A
9-9:50 a.m.	PLENARY I	Kiva A
10-10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break	Foyer East & West
10:30-	CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1.1 D: Health and Well-being	Salon D
10:30- 11:45 a.m.	1.2 E: Productive Mentoring	Salon E
	1.3 F: Graduate Preparation & Enrollment	Salon F
Noon- 1:15 p.m.	Networking Lunch	Kiva Patio
1:30– 2:45 p.m.	PLENARY II	Kiva A
2:45– 3:15 p.m.	Afternoon Break	Foyer East & West
0.45	CONCURRENT SESSIONS 2.1 D: Logistics and Graduate Business Practices	Salon D
3:15– 4:30 p.m.	2.2 E: Graduate Student Professional Development I	Salon E
	2.3 F: Practicing Equity, Overcoming Obstacles	Salon F
4:45– 5:45 p.m.	PLENARY III	Kiva A
6 p.m.	Dinner Group options Sign-up sheets at Registration D	Desk

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	TUESDAY, MARCH 5	
7-8:30 a.m.	Breakfast with Sponsors	Kiva Patio
8 a.mNoon	Registration	Promenade
8 a.m.–4 p.m.	Exhibits	Foyer East & West
9–10 a.m.	PLENARY IV	Kiva A
10–10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break	Foyer East & West
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS 3.1 D: Graduate Student Professional Development II	Salon D
10:30- 11:45 a.m.	3.2 E: The Scope of Post-Graduate Education at the National University of Mexico	Salon E
	3.3 F: Creatively Adapted Infrastructures and the Creative Mindset: Ongoing Innovations in Graduate Education	Salon F
11:45– 1:20 p.m.	WAGS/ProQuest Awards Luncheon Business Reports	Kiva B
1:30–2:15 p.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS 4.1 D: Enrollment Challenges the West Faces and How We'll Overcome Them	Salon D
	4.2 E: Graduate Student Unions	Salon E
	4.3 F: National Science Foundation Training Grants	Salon F
2:15–2:45 p.m.	Afternoon Break	Foyer Ease & West
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2:45–4 p.m.	5.2 E: Ethics, Recruitment & Placement	Salon E
	5.3 F: Supporting High-Demand Interdisciplinary Programs: The Challenges of Success	Salon F
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS 6.1 D: Creating A Changed Culture in the #metoo Era	Salon D
4:15–5:30 p.m.	6.2 E: Research Productivity & Accountability	Salon E
	6.3 L: Poster Showcase	Promenade
6 p.m.	Dinner on your own	

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6				
Breakfast	Kiva Patio			
Exhibits	Foyer East & West			
Sponsor Showcase	Kiva A			
PLENARY V	Kiva A			
Break	Foyer East & West			
WAGS Grad Slam	Kiva A			
Lunch & Closing Ceremony	Kiva B			
Executive Committee Board Meeting	Sonora			
	Breakfast Exhibits Sponsor Showcase PLENARY V Break WAGS Grad Slam Lunch & Closing Ceremony			



	SUNDAY, MARCH 3 PRE-CONFERENCE	
9:30 a.m	Tucson Festival of Books: tucsonfestivalofbooks.org Flandrau Science Center & Planetarium: flandrau.org	UA Campus
5:30 p.m.	Fred Lawrence Whipple Observatory, Mt. Hopkins, AZ Co-owned by the Smithsonian Institution and University of Arizona Tour led by: Dave Kieda, Dean, The Graduate School, Professor of Physics and Astronomy, Ur	niversity of Uta
2:30–4:30 p.m.	Executive Committee Board Meeting	Santa Rita
–5 p.m.	Registration	Promenade
:30–8 p.m.	WAGS Welcome Reception Entertainment by Grupo Riken	Kiva Patio or Kiva A&B if
7–7:30 p.m.	Welcome Address: Robert C. Robbins, President, University of Arizona	rain
	MONDAY, MARCH 4	
-8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Kiva Patio
B a.mNoon	Registration	Promenade
3 a.m.–4 p.m.	Exhibits	Foyer East & West
3:45–9 a.m.	Welcome Address and Introductions – Janet Sturman, WAGS President, Associate Dean, Graduate College, University of Arizona	Kiva A
9-9:50 a.m.	PLENARY I Student Aspirations, Graduate Alumni Success: Early Evidence from the Ph.D. Pathways Project - Suzanne Ortega, President, Council of Graduate Schools	Kiva A
10-10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break	Foyer East & West
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS	
	1.1 D: Health and Wellbeing Roundtable Presider: Inge Wefes, Associate Dean, Graduate School, University of Colorado Denver, Anschutz Medical Campus Facets of Success: Professional Disposition Evaluations and Wellness Initiatives in Graduate Programs	Salon D
	 Mandy Capel, Associate Professor, Director of Master of Arts in Educational Leadership Program, University of Mount Union Come On and Get happy! Community Engagement and Wellness Initiatives – Jackie Wirz, Assistant Dean, Graduate Studies, Oregon State University 	
10:30– 11:45 a.m.	1.2 E: Productive Mentoring Presider: Brandy Randall, University of North Dakota	
	Peer Mentoring as a Vehicle for Building Networks of Student Support - Glenda Lewis, Jaen Ugalde, Brandon DeFlon, Project for New Mexico Graduates of Color, University of New Mexico	
	Evidence-based Mentoring Programs for Mentors and Mentees at the University of Nevada Reno - Rachel Zarndt, Director of Post-doctoral Affairs and Graduate Diversity Recruitment, University of Nevada Reno	Salon E
	- Veronica Zepeda, Graduate Student, University of Nevada Reno	
	Exploring the Use of Students' Annual Evaluation Surveys to Align with a University's Mission – Emily Lin, Associate Dean, Graduate School, University of Nevada, Las Vegas – Kathryn Korgan, Dean, Graduate School, University of Nevada, Las Vegas	

	MONDAY, MARCH 4		
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
	1.3 F: Graduate Preparation & Enrollment Presider: Donna Treloar, Director, Diversity Programs, Graduate College, University of Arizona		
10:30–11:45 a.m.	Undergraduate Research Programs: Building Efficiency, Synergy, and Innovation - Nura Dualeh, Director of Undergraduate Research and Graduate Preparation Programs, Student Affairs & Graduate College, University of Arizona	Salon F	
	Graduate Prep with Latin American Initiatives & Tri-University Partnerships - Nadia Alvarez-Mexia, UA Global, University of Arizona		
	The Applicant Portal You've Always Wanted at a Price You Can Actually Afford Sponsored Presentation - Lawrence Levy, President, Enrollment Rx		
Noon-1:15 p.m.	Networking Lunch	Kiva Patio	
	PLENARY II Integrating Indigenous Knowledge with Science and Engineering		
1:30– 2:45 p.m.	Introduction: Andrew Carnie, Vice-Provost for Graduate Education, University of Arizona	Kiva A	
2 p	Speaker: Karletta Chief, Associate Professor Engineering; Director, Indigenous Food, Energy, Water Systems, Graduate Interdisciplinary Doctoral Minor Program, University of Arizona	Nava 71	
2:45–3:15 p.m.	Afternoon Break	Foyer East & West	
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
	2.1 D: Logistics and Graduate Business Practices Presider/Discussant: Carissa Watts, Assistant Director of Admissions Operations, Adams State University		
	Going Paperless with the Cloud: Using E-Systems to Eliminate Paper Forms - Kara Wada, Executive Director of Admissions and Enrollment, Graduate College, University of Nevada, Las Vegas	Salon D	
	Infrastructure Innovations: Navigating Academic Protocols at Start-Up Speeds –Mary Larson, Associate Director, Academic Services, University of Washington		
	2.2 E: Graduate Student Professional Development I Presider/Discussant: Jessica Beck, Assistant Dean of Graduate Student Development, Oregon State University		
3:15–4:30 p.m.	Creating Career Pathways for Post-Master's Students -Valarie Burke, Executive Director of Graduate Student Services, University of Nevada, Las Vegas	Salon E	
	"Soft" Skills? - Inge Wefes, Associate Dean, University of Colorado Denver, Anschutz Medical Campus		
	2.3 F: Practicing Equity, Overcoming Obstacles Presider/Discussant: Frans Tax, Faculty Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Graduate College University of Arizona		
	Equity in Praxis: An Interdisciplinary Course for Graduate Students, Faculty, and Staff – Gino Aisenberg, Associate Dean, The Graduate School, Diversity and Student Affairs, University of Washington	Salon F	
	- Saejin Kwak Tanguay, M.Ed., Doctoral Candidate, College of Education, University of Washington		
	PLENARY III Serving the Graduate School: Challenges, Rewards, and 'My Why' (Interviews with Deans and recent WAGS Presidents)		
4:45–5:45 p.m.	Chair and Convener: Julie Coonrod, Dean, Graduate Studies, University of New Mexico	Kiva A	
	WAGS Presidents: - Janet Sturman, WAGS President, Associate Dean, Graduate College, University of Arizona		
	 - Kathryn Korgan, Dean, Graduate School, University of Nevada, Las Vegas - Rebecca Aanerud, Interim Dean, Graduate College, University of Washington 		
6 p.m.	Dinner – Group options: Sign-up sheets at Registration Desk		



	TUESDAY, MARCH 5		
7–8:30 a.m.	Breakfast - Meet our Sponsors Table Talks Come join a roundtable conversation at the vendor/sponsor table(s) of your choice to learn more about what they offer and how they can help you address your challenges and achieve your goals. Chat with other users of their products/services, too. Visit one table or feel free to table-hop to get all the info you need!	Kiva Patio	
8 a.mNoon	Registration	Promenade	
8 a.m4 p.m.	Exhibits	Foyer East & West	
	PLENARY IV Graduate Enrollment Trends		
9–10 a.m.	Introduction/Discussant: Janet Sturman, Associate Dean, Graduate College, University of Arizona	Kiva A	
	Speaker: Hironao Okhahana, Associate Vice President, Research & Policy Analysis, Council of Graduate Schools		
10–10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break	Foyer East & West	
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
	3.1 D: Graduate Student Professional Development II Panel Presentation and Discussion Innovations and Best Practices in Graduate Professional Development		
	Chair and Presider: Meg Lota Brown, Faculty Director, Graduate Center, University of Arizona	Salon D	
	 Gretchen O'Connell, Senior Assistant Dean, Graduate School, University of Colorado, Boulder Meg Lota Brown, Director, Graduate Center, University of Arizona Rebecca Aanerud, Dean, Graduate College, University of Washington 		
	3.2 E: The Scope of Post-Graduate Education at the National University of Mexico		
10:30-	Presider: Janet Sturman, Associate Dean, University of Arizona		
11:45 a.m.	 Javier Nieto Gutiérrez, Coordinación General de Estudios de Posgrado, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México Cecilia Guadalupe Silva Gutiérrez, Subdirección Académica, Estudios de Posgrado, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México 	Salon E	
	3.3 F: Creatively Adapted Infrastructures and the Creative Mindset: Ongoing Innovations in Graduate Education		
	Presider: Jackie Wirz, Assistant Dean of Graduate Studies, Oregon Health and Science University	Salon F	
	 - Tamara Underiner, Associate Dean, Graduate College, Arizona State University - Kim Naig, Executive Director, Graduate Education, Arizona State University 		
	WAGS/ProQuest Awards Luncheon		
	Introduction of Award Winners		
	Presiders: Tammi Vacha-Haase, Dean, Graduate College, Boise State University and Jessica Horowitz, Director, Academic Relations, N.A., ProQuest Dissertation Publishing		
11:45 a.m.– 12:45 p.m.	Award Winners: Outstanding Master's Thesis in a STEM Discipline: - Hajar Homayouni, Colorado State University	Kiva B	
	Outstanding Master's Thesis in the Humanities, Social Sciences, Education and Business: – Samara Burns, University of Calgary		
	Innovation in Technology Award: - Greg Findlay, University of Washington		
	Outstanding Master's Thesis in the Creative, Visual and Performing Arts: - Shawn Edrington, Boise State University		

	TUESDAY, MARCH 5		
	Business Reports		
12:45-	Presider: Janet Sturman, President, Western Association of Graduate Schools	141 5	
1:20 p.m.	Constitutional AmendmentsIntroduction of New MembersIntroduction of New Officers	Kiva B	
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
	4.1 D: Enrollment Challenges the West Faces and How We'll Overcome Them	Salon D	
	- Jerry McMurty, Dean, College of Graduate Studies, University of Idaho- Robert Ruiz, Vice President of Strategic Enrollment, Liaison International		
	4.2 E: Graduate Student Unions — Panel Bargaining with Graduate Student Unions: Lessons Learned from Colleagues		
1:30–2:15 p.m.	Presider and Chair: Jessica Beck, Assistant Dean, Graduate School, Oregon State University	Salon E	
	 Rebecca Aanerud, Dean, Graduate School, University of Washington Steph Bernell, Associate Dean, Graduate School, Oregon State University Andrew Karduna, Associate Dean, Graduate School, Oregon State University 		
	4.3 F: National Science Foundation Training Grants Presenter: Laura B. Regassa, Program Director NRT, IGE, AD, IGERT, Division of Graduate Education, National Science Foundation	Salon F	
2:15–2:45 p.m.	Afternoon Break	Foyer East & West	
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
	5.1 D: Mexican Partnerships in Graduate Education in the Western States Panel		
	Presider: Janet Sturman, Associate Dean, Graduate College, University of Arizona		
	Chair: Luis E. Coronado Güel, Director, College of Social and Behavioral Science, Mexico Initiatives, University of Arizona	Salon D	
	 Javier Nieto Gutiérrez, Coordinación General de Estudios de Posgrado, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México 		
	 Ramon Enrique Zepeda, Director of Investigation and Postgraduate Studies, University of Sonora, Hermosillo 		
2:45–4 p.m.	 Catalina A. Denman, Profesora-Investigadora, Directora del Centro de Promoción de la Salud del Norte de México, El Colegio de Sonora, Hermosillo, Mexico Nadia Alvarez-Mexia, Director, Latin American Initiatives, UA Global, University of Arizona 		
	5.2 E: Ethics, Recruitment & Placement — Panel Supporting the Notion That An Ethical Culture Can Promote Recruitment of New Students and Placement of Graduating Students		
	Presider and Chair: William Gannon, Director, Academic Integrity and Research Ethics, Graduate Studies, University of New Mexico		
	 Dena Plemmons, Director, Research Ethics Education Program, University of California, Riverside Sue Wilder, Graduate Student, Organization, Information & Learning Sciences, University of New Mexico 	Salon E	



	TUESDAY, MARCH 5		
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
2:45–4 p.m.	5.3 F: Supporting High-Demand Interdisciplinary Programs: The Challenges of Success Panel		
	Presiding Session Chair and Presenter: David Canfield-Budde, Assistant Dean, University of Washington		
	Presenters: - Mary Larson, Associate Director, Academic Student Services, University of Washington - Benedict Colombi, Faculty Director, Graduate Interdisciplinary Programs, University of Arizona - Alicia Lopez, Assistant Director, Graduate Interdisciplinary Programs, University of Arizona		
	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
	6.1 D: Creating A Changed Culture in the #metoo Era Presider: John Masserini, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, Northern Arizona University	Salon D	
	A University-wide Grassroots Sexual Harassment Awareness Movement – Jackie Wirz, Assistant Dean, Graduate Studies, Oregon State University		
	6.2 E: Research Productivity & Accountability Presider: Julie Coonrod, Dean of Graduate Studies, University of New Mexico		
	GRADx: Showcasing Graduate Student Research Through an Inspiring Storytelling Event - Karen Hanson, Director of Graduate Student Success, Oregon State University - Matthew Tradewell, Graduate Assistant for Student Success, Oregon State University		
	Accountability Seminars and Goal Setting for Dissertators - Leslie Ellen Blood, Director of Graduate Professional Development, Diversity, and Inclusion, University of Colorado, Boulder	Salon E	
	Writing Center Plays Key Role in Graduate Student Professionalization and Academic Success -Enrico Sassi, Director, Center for Writers, North Dakota State University		
1:15 5:20 p.m	6.3 L: Poster Showcase		
4:15–5:30 p.m.	Presider: Maribeth Watwood, Dean, Graduate College, Northern Arizona University		
	Socialization of Doctoral Students in Online Programs - Amanda Eakins, Associate Director of Operation, Idaho State University		
	Professionalizing Professional Development: Identity Branding as Advocacy		
	- Kathryn Korgan, Dean, Graduate School, University of Nevada, Las Vegas		
	 The Graduate Professional Skills Academy (GPS): A Roadmap for Student Success Brandy Randall, Associate Dean, Graduate School, North Dakota State University Claudia Tomany, Dean, College of Graduate and Interdisciplinary Studies, North Dakota State University The Graduate Career Consortium: Your Partners in PhD Professional Development David Bradshaw, Program Coordinator, Senior. The Graudate Center, University of Arizona, Member, Graduate Career Consortium 	Promenade	
	GradWellBeWell - Tammi Vacha-Haase, Dean, Graduate College, Boise State University - Scott E. Lowe, Associate Dean, Graduate College, Boise State University - Matthew Niece, Director of Counseling Services, Boise State University - Brett Stephenson, Doctoral Student, Department of Counseling Education, Boise State University		
6 p.m.	Dinner on your own Restaurant recommendations in packet and at the registration desk.		

	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6	
7:30–8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Kiva Patio
8 a.m1 p.m.	Exhibits	Foyer East & Wes
8-8:30 a.m.	Sponsor Showcase Liaison International - Robert Ruiz, Vice President of Strategic Enrollment, Liaison International	Kiva A
8:30-9 a.m.	Sponsor Showcase ETS Sponsored Presentation - Matt Bashi-Kadlubowski, Associate Director, Global Client Relations	Kiva A
9:15–10:15 a.m.	PLENARY V What Graduate Administrators Need to Know Regarding Free Speech Rights on Campus Presider: John Masserini, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, Northern Arizona University Speaker: - Michelle Parker, General Counsel, Northern Arizona University	Kiva A
10:15–10:30 a.m.	Break	Foyer East & Wes
10:30 a.mNoon	WAGS Grad Slam (student research/scholarship delivered in 3 minutes) Presider and Chair: Julie Coonrod, University of New Mexico	Kiva A
Noon-1 p.m.	Lunch & Closing Ceremony Presider: Janet Sturman, University of Arizona	Kiva B
1–2 p.m.	WAGS Executive Committee Board Meeting Presider: Janet Sturman, University of Arizona	Sonora
Post-Conference Activities	Suggested Post-Conference Options Arizona Sonora Desert Museum, 7:30 a.m5 p.m. (plan on 2 hours on site) www.desertmuseum.org Richard F. Carris Mirror Lab on the campus of the University of Arizona: M-F 1 p.m. (maybe 3 p.m.) \$2 www.mirrorlab.arizona.edu/content/tours-tickets Arizona State Museum:M-Sat, \$5 10 a.m5 p.m. www.statemuseum.arizona.edu Kitt Peak National Observatory www.noao.edu/kpvc/Plan/ Biosphere2	0 person





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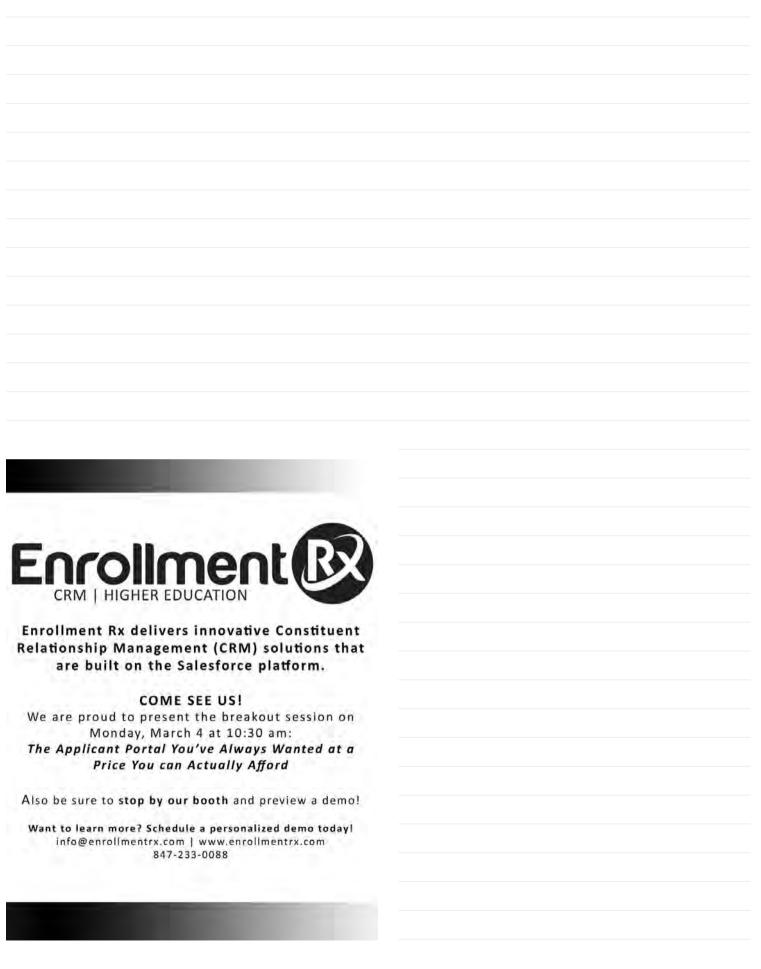
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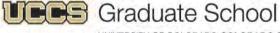




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