

## Texas Tech Graduate School Plans Spring Semester Events

Realizing the pressures that are put on graduate students today, Texas Tech University's Graduate School is being proactive in the opportunities provided to their students by offering programs to help them succeed while they are students and after graduation.

In addition to the professional development opportunities currently offered by the Graduate School, beginning in the Spring 2015, four of the Texas Tech Student Services offices will hold regular hours in the Graduate Center offering valuable information sessions to current graduate students. These will include:

**Office of International Affairs:**

- General information on resources and referrals for international students
- Information regarding TPEG financial aid for international students
- Information regarding international events and student organizations
- Limited immigration services and advice during peak seasons

**Red2Black:**

- Individual coaching sessions on topics such as creating spending plans, the importance of saving early, and maximizing financial aid
- How to choose employee benefits and establishing and wisely using credit

**University Career Center:**

- Career counseling and assessments
- CV/Resume critiques and cover letter critiques
- Mock interviews and salary negotiation practice
- Information about Hire Red Raiders and other job search services

**Student Resolution Center:**

- Identification and explanation of University processes
- Referrals to both on-campus and community resources
- Skills development in conflict resolution and problem solving
- Assistance during times of student crisis or distress
- Limited mediation and facilitation services for individuals

The Graduate School and Graduate Center is also excited to announce the hiring of Dr. Kristin Messuri as Associate Director for the Graduate Writing Center. Kristin received her Ph.D. from Penn State University in English and has experience in administering a graduate writing center and a credit-based undergraduate writing tutorial program, tutoring undergraduate and graduate students, and teaching writing and literature. The Graduate Writing Center will be an additional resource to students to help or continue their development and proficiency of writing in accordance to their student status and educational track.