



# UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA MERCED

## SSHA Graduate Services Monthly Digest

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## SSHA Highlights

### Public Health Professors Study COVID-19 Impact on Rural, Latinx Health

The corona virus has impacted everyone many different ways. Follow the link to read more about three Public Health professors' new study specifically examining how the corona virus affected rural, Latinx communities in California.

### Sociology Professor Whitney Pirtle Awarded the 2020 A. Wade Smith Award

Sociology Professor Whitney Pirtle has been awarded the 2020 A. Wade Smith by the Association of Black Sociologists. Professor Pirtle was nominated by her students and was recognized for her excellence in teaching, mentorship and service to the study of sociology.

### Statewide Coalition Forming to Bring COVID Awareness to At-Risk Communities

In partnership with other universities and communities across California, read more about what Professor and Department Chair, Nancy Burke, or Public Health and her team are doing to address COVID-19 in underrepresented communities.

## Upcoming Events and Deadlines

### Non-Instructional Days

**Mon. Nov. 11th**  
Veteran's Day

**Wed. Nov. 25th - Fri. Nov. 27th**  
Thanksgiving Break

**Wed. Nov. 4th**  
**SSHA Fellowship Workshop**  
**1:00pm-2:00pm**  
SSHA Graduate Services is excited to present our first workshop with SSHA Faculty Research Liaison, Dr. Andres Hernandez, on how to apply for fellowships.

**Tues. Nov. 17th**  
**SSHA Virtual Office Hours**  
**1:00pm-2:00pm**  
Do you have questions regarding fellowships, Spring 2021 registrations, or questions in general? Come ask questions or just join us!

**2020-2021 Black Research Fellowship**  
Four \$2,500 research fellowships will be provided for the creation of projects that demonstrate a commitment and ability to advance racial justice and black liberation at UC Merced. Current undergraduate and graduate students, staff, and faculty are all eligible to apply! Proposals are due November 16, 2020.

## Resources

Attending graduate school is both exciting and challenging and we strive to provide you with as many resources as possibly. Below are resources to other unites across campus and information regarding COVID-19 resources.



COVID-19 Resources



Graduate Resource Center



Students First Center



Graduate Student Association



Graduate Funding



Services for Undocumented Students