Welcome Graduate Students!!

Fall 2022
What we plan to do today!

1. Introduce myself and Robin
2. Introduce the graduate program
3. Introduce the graduate handbook
   - Area of Specialization
   - Program of Study
   - CPT
4. Do’s and Don’t’s
1. Introduce myself: my modus operandi

- Where I am from
- Where I studied
- Where I worked
- What I do at SDSU

Research, Teaching, Grad Advisor, Education co-Director, Diversity

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Research Pitch: http://sweta.sdsu.edu/

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- Office Hours, Appointments, Emails, Phone Calls
- Making your graduate school experience at SDSU smooth
1. Introduce Robin!!

• Woman behind the Show (or maybe in front of!!)

   Office Location: E–426 D  
   Appointments:  
   Email: rshimasa@sdsu.edu  
   Phone Calls: 619–594–0967  

   Your Go–To person for all things procedural!
3. Introduce the graduate program:

- **30 units - 10 courses**
  - **Plan A**
    - 7 courses
    - Research
  - **Plan B**
    - 9 courses
    - Project

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3. **Introduce the graduate program:**

- **Courses**
  - (Area of Specialization)
    - **Depth Area**
      - 4 courses (Plan A)
      - 6 courses (Plan B)
    - **Breadth Area**
      - 2 courses
    - **Core**
      - Take one in first semester

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Areas of Specialization

- Communication Systems
- Computer Networks
- Digital Signal Processing
- Electromagnetic Systems
- Embedded Systems
- Energy Systems and Control
- VLSI
Procedural:

- Lets take a look at:
  - POS: Program of Study Forms
  - Graduate Program Handbook
  - Graduate Procedural Steps
  - What is expected of Plan A Research
  - What is expected of Plan B Project
Program of Study (POS)

• The POS **MUST BE** submitted to the Graduate Advisor by the **beginning of the second semester**!

  - *If there is no POS on file, the courses already taken might not be approved to be included in the POS.*
  - *Submitting the POS on-time will guarantee a smooth and eventless course of study and on-time graduation.*

**No POS = NO CPT and NO EE797**

**No POS = NO Reduced Course Load**
Curricular Practical Training (CPT)

➢ CPT is not your **RIGHT** it is a **PRIVILEGE** given to you.
➢ **MUST** have a minimum GPA of **3.0** and have good academic standing.
➢ **MUST** have the **POS** on file.
➢ **MUST** have passed **18 units** for summer CPT.
➢ **MUST** have passed **27 units** for Plan B students to work **20 Hours/Week** in a semester.
➢ **MUST** have completed **21 units** and **75% of the research** for Plan A students plus the written consent of the Thesis Advisor.

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- Above rules to maximize your academic success
- Too easy to be pulled into the lure of money – **RESIST** the temptation
- You’ll be making 6-figure salaries **VERY** soon !!!
5. Do’s and Don’t’s

**Do:**

- Memorize the Graduate Handbook
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- Select courses wisely
  - Pre-reqs before a course
  - 500-level courses
  - Outside department courses
  - Reduced course load
  - Plan your two years NOW!!!

- Choose your advisor wisely
- Choose your area wisely

**Study, Plan, Think, Immerse**

**NO SUBSTITUTE TO HARD WORK !!**

**Don’t:**

- Mess with your advisor
- Believe everything that you hear
- Chase money too soon
- Party too hard

(Grade Point Average for ALL courses taken at SDSU must be 3.0 or better (B average))

**PROBATION : No No No**

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## TA and Grader Positions Available

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### Grader positions:

Almost every course grad and undergrad will need a grader 250+ hours of grading positions. Please contact each individual instructor for available grader positions.

### Contact:

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Thank You & Questions ??