VPGE works collaboratively across the University to ensure that every graduate student has the best possible education. VPGE’s initiatives and resources enrich students’ academic experiences at Stanford, advancing diversity, preparing leaders, and positioning Stanford at the forefront of innovation in graduate education.

**Professional Development**
Thrive in grad school and in your future career paths by taking advantage of the extensive learning opportunities Stanford offers in communication, leadership, management, and more, all discoverable through the interactive GPD Framework.

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**Diversity Initiatives**
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**Fellowships & Funding**
Discover opportunities to support and enrich your graduate studies, from the DARE, EDGE, and SIGF doctoral fellowships to SPICE and SCORE Academic Innovation funds initiated by students and faculty alike.

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**Top Tips for Graduate Students**
- Take control of your education
- Seek out and share inspiration
- Be open-minded and fearless
- Cultivate your network
- Be intellectually courageous
- Celebrate Stanford’s diversity
- Be proactive and ask for help
- Connect with others

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Read what graduate students are saying about their experiences.

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- "Designing the Professional taught me how to think about and design my future as a positive path forward, rather than a crippling hurdle." - PhD Student, Engineering
- "I owe my future scholarship to EDGE and for making me feel like I deserve being here." - PhD Student, Education
- "Preparing Future Professors has given me a lot to think about when it comes to preparing for a faculty career and just talking about what to expect when I go into academia." - PhD Student, Humanities & Sciences
- "The Leadership Dinner speaker gave great insights about teaching, learning, technology and leadership." - MS Student, Engineering
- "I’m very grateful to VPGE for providing programming that gets me out of my department and gets me thinking about issues beyond my field." - PhD Student, Humanities & Sciences
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