



2023 GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH WORKSHOP



Howard University Interdisciplinary Research
Building

May 22-26, 2023

SCHEDULE

Monday, May 22, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. EST

Welcome - Haydar Kurban, Director of Center on Race and Wealth

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Mentor Introductions

Student Introductions - What's Your Topic?

Students introduce themselves and present a brief overview of their research project (up to 3 minutes per person)

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Session 1

Conducting Research: Where Do I Begin? Determining the What? When? And Why? Of a Research Project – David Pate

Topics covered during this session include developing a research strategy, structuring the proposal, formulating the research question, developing a hypothesis, and describing the purpose/significance of the study.

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch on Your Own

Refer to the *Restaurants/Eateries Near Howard University List* for nearby lunch options.

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Small Group Mentor Consultations

Participants/mentees meet with their assigned mentor as a group to discuss topics presented in Session 1.

2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Independent Work and Individual Mentor Consultations*

Participants work independently on their proposal and meet one-on-one with their mentor to discuss issues related to their proposal.

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. EST

Session 2

Strategies for Determining the Appropriate Research Method, Selecting Variables, and Collecting Data Pt. 1- Karen Kolivoski, Keisha Solomon, David Pate, and Marci Ybarra

This session will include a discussion of (1) qualitative research methods, quantitative research methods, and mixed methods research; (2) data collection methods and software (e.g., Stata, R, and SPSS, Python); (3)

best practices and strategies for collecting data; and (4) how to design an effective survey instrument.

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Strategies for Determining the Appropriate Research Method, Selecting Variables, and Collecting Data Pt. 2- Karen Kolivoski, Keisha Solomon, David Pate, and Marci Ybarra

This session will continue with a discussion of (1) qualitative research methods, quantitative research methods, and mixed methods research; (2) data collection methods and software (e.g., Stata, R, and SPSS, Python); (3) best practices and strategies for collecting data; and (4) how to design an effective survey instrument.

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Lunch on Your Own

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1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Small Group Mentor Consultations

Participants meet with their mentor as a group to discuss topics related to Session 2.

2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Independent Work and Individual Mentor Consultations

Participants work independently on their proposal and meet one-on-one with their mentor to discuss issues related to their proposal.

4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Evening Reception with the IRP Emerging Poverty Fellows

Radio Room, Interdisciplinary Research Building

This is an opportunity for the Graduate Student Researchers to engage with the IRP Emerging Poverty Scholars, IRP and CRW faculty, and Howard University officials to get informal feedback on their dissertation topics and career plans.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. EST

Session 3

Separating the Wheat from the Chaff: Effective Strategies for Culling the Literature – Marci Ybarra

This session will discuss how to write, revise, and synthesize materials for your scholarly area of interest; searching for materials; finding gaps in the literature; and drawing your unique contributions from the literature.

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Anti-Poverty Research Careers at Health and Human Services (HHS)

A panel from HHS will discuss research career opportunities in the federal government and HHS in particular. They will touch on the types of positions available, the range of duties and skills, differences

between academia and government, the hiring process and marketing yourself to government jobs.

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Break

11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Session 3

Separating the Wheat from the Chaff: Effective Strategies for Culling the Literature Continued– Marci Ybarra

This session will discuss how to write, revise, and synthesize materials for your scholarly area of interest; searching for materials; finding gaps in the literature; and drawing your unique contributions from the literature.

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Lunch on Your Own

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1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Small Group Mentor Consultations

Participants meet with their mentor as a group to discuss topics presented in Session 3.

2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Independent Work and Individual Mentor Consultations

Participants work independently on their proposal and meet one-on-one with their mentor to discuss issues related to their proposal.

Thursday, May 25, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. EST

Session 4

Timing is Everything: Developing an Effective Timeline for Completing the Dissertation Proposal and the Dissertation - Karen Kolivoski

Tips for how to create a realistic timeline, set realistic goals, and stay on track for completing the dissertation proposal and the dissertation in a timely manner.

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Session 5

Hang in There! You Can Survive the Proposal Writing Process While Maintaining Your Sanity - Karen Kolivoski, Keisha Solomon, David Pate, and Marci Ybarra

Learn first-hand from professors how to deal with some of the nagging problems that can slow down the completion of your dissertation proposal and overall PhD work. Specifically, mentors will address questions related to minimizing stress, overcoming writer's block and procrastination, and working effectively with an advisor.

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch on Your Own

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1:00pm p.m. - 2:30 p.m. ***Community-Based Research Panel Discussion - David Pate and Rodney Green*****

Dr. David Pate and Dr. Rodney D. Green, community leaders, researchers, and university faculty members, will share their thoughts and experiences on what community-based research means to them and offer insight on how to get involved and how to do so in a way that respects the knowledge and culture of the community.

2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. ***Independent Work and Individual Mentor Consultations***

Participants work independently on their proposal and meet one-on-one with their mentor to discuss issues related to their proposal and presentation.

Friday, May 26, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. EST ***Proposal Presentations - Participants***

During this session, participants will present their draft dissertation proposal and get feedback from workshop mentors and other participants to help clarify and strengthen their final proposal and, ultimately, their study. (30 minutes per participant)

12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. ***Break and Working Lunch***

Proposal Presentations - Participants

12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. EST During this session, participants will present their draft dissertation proposal and get feedback from workshop mentors and other participants to help clarify and strengthen their final proposal and, ultimately, their study. (30 minutes per participant)

***Individual mentor consultations are mandatory** and must be scheduled with the assigned mentor during **Small Group Mentor Consultations** or via email. Consultations may be scheduled throughout the summer, ending in early August 2023.

****** Dr. Rodney D. Green is Professor of Economics at Howard University and Associate Director of Howard University Center of Excellence in Housing and Urban Research and Policy (CHURP).

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