This series of six presentations by faculty and students covers a variety of topics to help our first year students acclimate to grad school. Sessions occur select Fridays at Noon. Lunch will be served.

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**Friday, August 28, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | IHP Classroom A,B&C**

**SELECTING A RESEARCH TOPIC & MENTOR**
Francesca Pignoni (Associate Professor, Ophthalmology, Upstate Medical University)
Baylee Porter-Hansen (PhD student, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Dr. Leszek Kotula)
Maria Presti (PhD student, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Dr. Stewart Loh)
Morgan Pimm (PhD student, Cell & Developmental Biology, Dr. Jessica Ridilla)

**Friday, September 18, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Setnor 3507&3508**

**CRITICAL READING SKILLS AND STUDY SKILLS**
Gary Chan (Associate Professor, Microbiology & Immunology, Upstate Medical University)
Liam Coyne (PhD student, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Dr. Xin Jie Chen)
Krista Newell (PhD student, Microbiology & Immunology, Dr. Gary Winslow)
Hannah Phillips (PhD student, Neuroscience, Dr. Wei-Dong Yao)

**Friday, October 2, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Setnor 3507&3508**

**INTRODUCTION TO BIOETHICS**
Robert Quinn (Associate VP for Research Integrity; Director Department of Laboratory Animal Services)

**Friday, October 16, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Setnor 3507&3508**

**SUPPORT SERVICES: STUDENT COUNSELING CENTER**
Holly Vanderhoff (Co-Director, Student Counseling Services; Assistant Professor of Psychiatry)

**Friday, October 30, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Setnor 3507&3508**

**HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR ADVISOR & YOUR COMMITTEE**
Eric Olson (Associate Professor, Neuroscience & Physiology, Upstate Medical University)
Fiza Hashmi (PhD student, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Dr. Dimitra Bourbouli)
Ryan Mokhtari (PhD student, Neuroscience, Dr. Brian Howell)
Curtis Yingling (PhD student, Cell & Developmental Biology, Dr. David Pruyne)
Laura Szczesniak (MD/PhD student, Pharmacology, Dr. Richard Wojcikiewicz)

**Friday, November 13, 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM | Setnor 3507&3508**

**WRITING A RESEARCH REPORT**
Jennifer Moffat (Associate Professor, Microbiology & Immunology, Upstate Medical University)