

Wednesday, November 2

7:30-9:30 PM	Graduate Welcome Social: Meet graduate students from across the country in the first ever graduate welcome at a SHPE national convention. Refreshments will be provided and you will have the opportunity to network with current, prospective, and past graduate students.
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Thursday, November 3

Workshops

9-10 AM	Selecting the Best Graduate Program: Which factors should you consider when choosing a graduate program that best fits your needs? Join us if you want to know more about the first step in starting your graduate career!	How a Master's Degree Can Shape Your Career
10:30- 11:30 AM	Becoming A Competitive Graduate School Applicant In this workshop, you will hear from experts how to prepare and strengthen your application for graduate school. If you are considering applying for a PhD or Master's degree in the near future, this workshop is for you.	Demystifying Siemens - How Our Engineers & Technologists Transform the Everyday
2-3 PM	Show Me the Money: Financing a Graduate Degree (with GEM Fellowships) "Show me the Money" ... and then give it to me! During this workshop you will find how to identify and apply for funding whether you are in graduate school or just finishing your first semester as an undergraduate. This information will give you insight on how much money is available, how to find it, how to apply for it, and how to secure it! Come find out why no one should pay for graduate school if they go about it correctly!	An Effective Five-Year Plan for Becoming a Professor

3:30-4:30 PM	<p>Graduate School: What's it really like? In this workshop, a panel of graduate students will be sharing tips and real life experience for different disciplines and degrees. Come get your burning questions answered about the day to day life of a graduate student.</p>	<p>Building a Faculty Career Panel: Interested in academia and want to learn more about what it takes and the different paths that exist? During this panel you will hear from an array of faculty and deans about the process of entering academia in different disciplines.</p>
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Advanced Degree Hospitality Suite: 7-9 PM

The Advanced Degree Hospitality Suite features exclusive access to academic institutions looking for potential graduate students for both master's and doctoral programs, as well as academic, industry, and national laboratories interested in hiring students in graduate programs for internships, full-time and postdoctoral positions.

Graduate Thesis Competition: 8-9 PM

We are once again hosting a 3-minute thesis competition! Come showcase your research efforts, while enhancing your communication skills. This is a great opportunity to connect with our industry, government, and academic partners who are offering employment opportunities. Participants will submit their presentations online three weeks prior to convention. Our sponsor judges from Exponent will rank the presentations, and the finalists will give their presentation in person during our Advanced Degrees Hospitality Suite. These applications are due September 30!

[**Sign up for the 3-Minute Thesis Competition**](#)

Friday, November 4

Workshops

9-10 AM	<p>Pitching Yourself in Academia: In this workshop you will learn tips about how to present yourself in academia. There will be small break out groups facilitated by a faculty member to practice these skills.</p>	<p>PhD Careers in Government, Industry, and Startups</p>
10:30-11:30 AM	<p>The Post-Doc Pit Stop</p>	<p>Transform Innovation to</p>

	<p>This workshop will give you the insights on how you can finance your postdoc training as an independent researcher and what a postdoc in different settings can do for your research career. Come and hear from our speakers on the steps they took to successfully pursue and maximize their post-docs.</p>	Impact with Entrepreneurship
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Saturday, November 5

Graduate Writing Room: 9 am - 1 pm

The Graduate Review Writing Room offers critical support in developing graduate school and career materials with one-one-one feedback from faculty, postdocs, and current graduate students.