The Graduate School Academic Counselor invites all faculty who work with graduate students to a series of virtual conversations designed to address ways to holistically support students through their graduate studies.

**OBJECTIVES**

- Learn about key areas in grad student personal development life that impede academic success in the classroom
- Have a space to discuss student cases related to the topic and address questions from faculty
- Opportunity to network with fellow faculty

**SESSION TOPICS**

**Fall 2023**

- **September 8th: Statement of Mutual Expectations**
  - Learn how to utilize the statement of mutual expectations (SME) to assist with communication, lessening confusion and tailoring responses to meet the needs of both faculty and students.

- **October 13th: Early Career Faculty as Mentors**
  - Develop an approach and identify best methods on how to realistically support your mentee and incorporate evidence-based practices.

- **November 3rd: Being Our Whole Self**
  - Identify growth areas related to biases, microaggressions and historical barriers and challenges. Faculty will learn about methods to improve awareness for themselves and others.

**Spring 2024**

- **February 2nd: Faculty Wellbeing**
  - Examine faculty work-life balance including self-care, time away from work and boundaries.

- **March 1st: GS Policies and Procedures**
  - Review Graduate School Policies related to faculty, students and procedures. Mapping out the policies most relevant to your program/department can lessen stress.

- **April 5th: Careers Beyond Academia**
  - Learn how to support graduate students who are pursuing careers outside of academia.

**INFO**

**VIRTUAL**

- Graduate School Faculty Only
- Collegial Space
- 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

**REGISTRATION**

- Register at
  - go.umd.edu/FacultyfridayAY2324

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