

APRIL 12-13, 2019  
CHICAGO, IL

# GRAD COHORT FOR WOMEN

## THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2019

1:00 PM - 8:00 PM **Early Registration - 8th St North Lobby**

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM **Welcome Reception - Continental Ballroom AB**

## FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2019

7:00 AM - 8:45 AM **Registration - 8th St North Lobby**

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM **Breakfast - International South Ballroom**

8:30 AM - 8:45 AM **Welcome - International North Ballroom**  
*Speakers: Maria Gini, Ayanna Howard*

	<b>First year</b> <i>International North Ballroom</i>	<b>Second year</b> <i>Continental Ballroom A</i>	<b>Third year</b> <i>Continental Ballroom B</i>
8:50 AM - 9:50 AM	<b>Networking</b> <i>Speakers: AJ Brush &amp; Soha Hassoun</i>	<b>Finding a Research Topic (including Interdisciplinary)</b> <i>Speakers: Sandhya Dwarkadas &amp; Ming Lin</i>	<b>Industry vs. Academic Research Position</b> <i>Speakers: Deb Agarwal &amp; Patty Lopez</i>
9:55 AM - 10:55 AM	<b>Masters vs PhD</b> <i>Speakers: Nada Attar &amp; Kim Hazelwood</i>	<b>Publishing Your Research</b> <i>Speakers: Andrea Danyluk &amp; Margaret Martonosi</i>	<b>Preparing Your Thesis Proposal &amp; Becoming a PhD Candidate</b> <i>Speakers: Nancy Amato &amp; Lori Pollock</i>
10:55 AM - 11:15 AM	<b>Break - Continental Foyer</b>		
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM	<b>M.S. Career Opportunities &amp; Job Search</b> <i>Speakers: Deb Agarwal &amp; Ramón Cáceres</i>	<b>Balancing Graduate School &amp; Personal Life</b> <i>Speakers: Andrea Danyluk, Mandy Pant &amp; Rebecca Wright</i>	<b>PhD Academic Career Paths &amp; Job Search</b> <i>Speakers: Nancy Amato &amp; Zadia Codabux</i>
12:15 PM - 1:30 PM	<b>Lunch - International South Ballroom</b>		
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	<b>Presentation &amp; Other Verbal Communication Skills</b> <i>Speakers: Sandhya Dwarkadas &amp; Susan Rodger</i>	<b>Perspectives from Grad Cohort Alums</b> <i>Speakers: Bushra Anjum, Nada Attar, Zadia Codabux &amp; Siobahn Day</i>	<b>PhD Non-Academic Career Paths &amp; Job Search</b> <i>Speakers: Sujata Banerjee &amp; Jamika Burge</i>
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	<b>Break - Continental Foyer</b>		
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<b>Keynote - International North Ballroom</b> <i>Speaker: Radhika Nagpal</i>		

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4:15 PM - 5:00 PM **Poster Session 1 - International South Ballroom**

5:00 PM - 5:45 PM **Poster Session 2 - International South Ballroom**

6:30 PM - 10:30 PM **Reception hosted by Microsoft Research - Grand Ballroom**

## SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2019

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM **Breakfast - International South Ballroom**

8:30 AM - 9:40 AM **Strategies for Human-Human Interaction - International North Ballroom**  
*Speakers: Jamika Burge, Margaret Martonosi & Kathryn McKinley*

9:40 AM - 10:10 AM **Break - Continental Foyer**

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10:10 AM - 11:10 AM	<b>Finding an Advisor &amp; Developing an Effective Working Relationship with them (&amp; what to do if it doesn't work)</b> <i>Speakers: Lori Clarke, Siobahn Day &amp; Lori Pollock</i>	<b>Building Your Professional Persona</b> <i>Speakers: Ming Lin &amp; Melanie Wu</i>	<b>Entrepreneurship</b> <i>Speakers: Ayanna Howard &amp; Susan Rodger</i>
11:20 AM - 12:20 PM	<b>Summer Internships</b> <i>Speakers: Sujata Banerjee, Kim Hazelwood &amp; Shamsi Iqbal</i>	<b>Building Self-Confidence</b> <i>Speakers: Bushra Anjum &amp; Patty Lopez</i>	<b>Job Interviews</b> <i>Speakers: A.J Brush &amp; Hillery Hunter</i>

12:30 PM - 12:45 PM **Wrap-Up & Final Remarks - International North Ballroom**  
*Speakers: Maria Gini, Ayanna Howard*

12:45 PM - 2:00 PM **Lunch - International South Ballroom**

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

**Individual Resume/CV Advising**

**Individual Academic/  
Career Advising**