

Welcome to the Caltech graduate program

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The academic structure of Caltech

Caltech is small!

~1300 graduate students and ~300 faculty

Caltech is organized into 6 academic
Divisions:

BBE, CCE, EAS, GPS, HSS, PMA

Structure of the graduate program

The fundamental administrative units of the graduate program are the 31 Options

e.g., Chemistry

Coordinated by option representatives and option administrators/managers

Options are housed within one Division, but can engage faculty across campus

The graduate experience is an exciting period

- The graduate experience is the beginning of your professional career.
- Chance to work closely with world-class faculty.
- Learn new ideas, develop hypotheses, test models.
- Gain deep expertise in specific research areas.
- Caltech's small size facilitates collaboration.
- Success in graduate school will lay the foundation for future success.

The Role of the Graduate Office

- Coordinates graduate admissions with the options
- Graduate fellowships and teaching assistantships
- Monitors and approves degree progress
- Provides financial support: dependent health care, maternity leave, bonding leave, parent support program, and emergency fund.
- Works with students facing special situations and challenges.
- **We're here to help you succeed! Please visit us at the Center for Student Services.**

Personnel in Graduate Office

If you have a question about the graduate program, ask the Graduate Office!

- David Chan, MD/PhD – Graduate Dean
- TBD, PhD – Associate Dean
- Natalie Gilmore – Assistant Dean
- Claudia Andrade – Financial Analyst
- Helen Duong – Recruitment, Outreach, and Admissions Coordinator
- Jacob Dalton – Administrative Assistant

Good luck !!

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