Suggested Questions to Ask at the Graduate Programs Fair 2017

**Admissions**
- How do I apply to this program?
- What test are required for admissions?
- Does this program have an admissions committee?
- How long does it take to complete the degree?
- In what areas are your program strongest?
- What do you look for in assessing an applicant’s admissions application?
- How long do students take completing the program?
- Is the school accredited? By whom?

**Curriculum**
- How many faculty members does the program have?
- If you can’t find information on the website, what are the faculty’s research interests and publications?
- Are students assigned advisors or do they choose one?
- Are there any research facilities, computers, libraries or internships opportunities on sight?
- Is the program accredited? By whom?
- What is the curriculum like?
- How flexible is the program?
- What is the average time to complete the program?
- Can you go part-time or full-time?
- Is it an online program?
- How many students are typically in each class?
- Does your program place an emphasis on research, theory, or practical experience? Is there a variety of viewpoints and theoretical approaches, or does the program have a particular emphasis?

**Financial Aid**
- How do most of your students pay for the program?
- Are there scholarships I can apply to?
- What criteria are used to award scholarships?
- Are there loans and/or grants that I can apply?
- How much would it cost to attend this program?
- Does the department provide assistantships, fellowships, or grants?
- Is funding available year round?
- Has tuition risen in recent years and is it expected to rise in the near future?

**Career Development**
- Where do students find employment
- Is there a network of contact, which could help students obtain jobs in this field of study?
- What resources do you provide to assist students in finding jobs?
- What facilities are available to help students in terms of doing research or internships?
- How do students get internships?
Are there any research facilities, computers, libraries or internships opportunities on sight?
What kind of employment are possible for student graduating from the program?
What are the rates of employment for students graduating from this program?

Housing/Transportation
Is there graduate student housing on/off campus?
What does it cost?
Where is on campus housing located?
What type of transportation is available? Is it free for students?
What is the student commute like?
Is parking easily available
What is the cost of living in the area?
How much does parking cost?

Other
Is there a contact person who can address my questions before and/or after arriving on campus?
Is it possible to visit the campus and meet with a graduate program representative (i.e. chair, faculty, advisor) to learn more about the program and school?
What is the social life around campus?

BE INQUISITIVE!!! DON’T BE AFRAID TO ASK QUESTIONS Remember, you are investing a considerable amount of time, energy, and money in graduate school-find out more about it.