

**Thursday**  
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**Scaife Hall Auditorium**  
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**Refreshments—4:00 p.m.**

## Graduate Schools: Who, What, Why, When and How

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Is graduate school for you? How prepared are you in making the big decision? This annual information session aims to provide both Juniors and Seniors with answers to some frequently asked questions about graduate schools and graduate school applications.

Some important questions include:

- Who should go to grad schools?
- What to expect in grad schools?
- How long does it really take?
- Why go to a grad school?
- When and where should you go?
- When and how to prepare?

This talk is jointly organized with the IEEE Student Chapter at CMU. Faculty and current graduate students are welcome to come add their own perspectives. 

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