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From: Office of the Provost [<mailto:provost@provost.wisc.edu>]
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To: Faculty and Staff
Subject: Invitation: Town Hall Meetings on Research and Graduate Education

To Faculty and Staff,

UW-Madison has consistently demonstrated national leadership in research and graduate education. As one indicator, we are the only institution, public or private (other than Johns Hopkins), that has remained in the top five in research expenditures for over twenty years. Our success is a tribute to the quality of our faculty and staff, supported by the Graduate School.

During this same period of time, research and graduate education have grown and become increasingly more complex. Over time, we have asked the Graduate School to take on many additional functions, which they have always responded to with excellence and commitment. Our unique combined structure has gradually evolved into one unit responsible for an unmanageable range of complex issues and functions.

I would like to invite you to participate in considering how we might best organize the administration and leadership of research as well as graduate education moving forward.

We are holding three town meetings, each sponsored by a dean in different corners of the campus, to enable as many as possible to participate. You are welcome to attend any/all.

Tuesday	Sept 22	4:00-5:00 pm	1106 Mechanical Engineering
Wednesday	Sept 30	4:00-5:00 pm	180 Science Hall
Thursday	Oct 1	4:00-5:00 pm	1345 Health Sciences Learning Center

We are in the beginning stages of building a website to keep you informed and to continue to invite comment. <http://www.news.wisc.edu/research-and-graduate-ed/>

Please send your thoughts to me at: <provost@provost.wisc.edu>

Sincerely,

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