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Graduate Students,

WELCOME BACK! *You've just completed your first week back and I just wanted to let you know that we are glad you're here! I hope your break was a good one and that you are refreshed and ready to go.*

I also want to let you know that we are here in the Graduate Office if you have any questions, comments or suggestions, just let us know. We always appreciate your input whether it be ways to improve or comments of appreciation.

The Graduate office staff consists of two very important people – Linda Staples and Patti McConnell. You may hear from either one at some time as they are the ones that keep us all on track. You can reach Linda Staples at lstaples@oakmail.peru.edu and Patti McConnell at pmcconnell@oakmail.peru.edu or the graduate office at GradPrograms@oakmail.peru.edu

Some questions come up from time to time that seem to be consistent, so we will be sending out a monthly email just to let you know about important timelines, deadlines, updates, changes or answers to frequently asked questions. Here are a few to start:

- 1. Who is my advisor? I am! Dr. Greg Seay, Dean of Graduate Programs – gseay@oakmail.peru.edu*
- 2. Do I have to wait until summer to start my degree program? NO! While you are limited on course selection, you can start anytime with electives and we can get you on a program of study at any time.*
- 3. How long do I have to finish my degree? There is a time limit of seven years, but it won't take you that long!*

Be Sure To Review the Graduate Programs Web Site for Updated Information – most recently, we added the MSED and MSOM catalog.

Be Sure To Check Your Acorn Mail Account Regularly for Special Announcements !!!

Again, do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have and THANKS for choosing Peru State College!!!