



Graduate Student Senate
General Assembly Meeting
Agenda
10-September-2012

The University of Iowa
Graduate College
205 Gilmore Hall
Iowa City, IA 52241
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- I. Call to Order- 6:00 pm
 - a. Approval of Agenda and Minutes (~1 min)
- II. Introduction of Senators (~2 min)
- III. 2:2:2 (2 senators: 2 departments: 2 minutes)
- IV. Graduate College Report (10 min)
- V. GSS Orientation PowerPoint
- VI. ECGPS 'One Big Improvement' Initiative
- VII. Voting- GPAC: Graduate and Professional Allocation Committee
- VIII. Executive Reports
 - a. President's Report – Kimberly Hoppe**
 - b. Vice President's Report – Elizabeth Deifell
 - c. Treasurer's Report – Jordan Yanke**
 - d. Membership Officer's Report – Katie Kidwell**
 - e. Parliamentarian's Report – Andrew Juhl
 - f. Graduate Council Report – Azar Eslam Panah, Kimberly Hoppe, James Skretta, Lindsey Thomas**
 - g. Graduate Student Organizations Liaison –**
 - h. ECGPS Delegate Report – Tiara Perez, Kimberly Hoppe**
 - i. DGSAC Chair Report – James Skretta
 - j. Webmaster Report – James Skretta**
- IX. Committee Reports
 - a. Academic Mentoring Committee – Hayley McLoughlin
 - b. Computer Resources Committee –**
 - c. International Student Committee – Amr El-Bokl
 - d. Jakobsen Conference Committee – Samantha Shune, Shaun Wilkinson
 - e. Jakobsen Conference Review Committee – James Skretta
 - f. Legislative Committee –**
 - g. Service & Social Committee – Andrew Juhl, Sheri Martin**
 - h. Travel Funds Committee – Lindsey Thomas, Gabriela Hamerlinck**
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V. GSS Orientation PowerPoint- Available On Website

- a. What is GSS?
- b. What is expected of Senators?
- c. Committees
- d. Website
- e. Service Hours

VI. ECGPS 'One Big Improvement' Initiative

- a. Graduate Student Commons

VII. Voting- GPAC: Graduate and Professional Allocation Committee

- a. GPAC is a committee of ECGPS that is in charge of distributing all funding for student organizations at UIowa graduate schools. <http://ecgps.uiowa.edu/funding/>
- b. GSS has 3 full GPAC seats
- c. Suggested that we also nominate 6-8 additional people to be alternate members
- d. Meetings
 - i. Sunday, September 14 (starting 9:30am)
 - ii. Sunday, November 4 (starting 10am)
 - iii. Sunday, February 3 (starting 10am)
 - iv. Sunday, April 7 (starting 9:30am)

VIII. Executive Reports

a. President's Report – Kimberly Hoppe**

Welcome to GSS! I am a PhD candidate in Occupational and Environment Health and I am thrilled that you have all volunteered your time to GSS. We hope to accomplish a lot this year and will need your help. The GSS website is a great resource for all info regarding GSS, tonight's minutes and the PowerPoint presentation will be posted there.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding GSS, graduate school, or life in Iowa City.

b. Vice President's Report – Elizabeth Deifell

Nothing to report at this time.

c. Treasurer's Report – Jordan Yanke

Please send all SOBO req forms from this summer to me to update the current GSS budget.



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d. Membership Officer's Report – Katie Kidwell

Anyone whose name was NOT listed in the sign-in sheet and/or didn't have a name tag should come find me at the end of the meeting, so I can get them added to our roster and the listserv.

e. Parliamentarian's Report – Andrew Juhl

Nothing to report at this time.

f. Graduate Council Report – Azar Eslam Panah, Kimberly Hoppe, James Skretta, Lindsey Thomas **

The Graduate Council shall consist of the deans of the Graduate College as ex officio nonvoting members, thirteen members elected from the graduate faculty, and four graduate students chosen by the Graduate Student Senate for one-year terms.

The Graduate Council recently discussed:

- Professional Enhancement tuition fee increase
\$50 increase to increase funding for professional development and create a new position that will provide Graduate students access to career services
- Doctoral exit surveys
- Graduate College 'summer happenings'
- Agendas and minutes are posted at:
<http://facstaff.grad.uiowa.edu/graduate-council/meetings>

g. Graduate Student Organizations Liaison –

Nothing to report at this time.

h. ECGPS Delegate Report – Tiara Perez, Kimberly Hoppe**

Executive Council for Graduate and Professional Students represents the graduate and professional students at The University of Iowa. We provide funding, grants, service opportunities, and a voice to the administration, the Board of Regents, the State of Iowa, and beyond. We are really all about you. It's your future. And it's our mission. ECGPS is composed of U Iowa graduate and professional student delegates from:

Graduate Student Senate
Carver College of Medicine Student Government
Iowa Student Bar Association
Masters of Business Administration Association
Iowa American Student Dental Association
College of Pharmacy Student Leadership Council

We meet monthly and will be working on Service Grants, PAGs travel grants, Global Health Symposium and other member governments 'One Big Initiative'. <http://ecgps.uiowa.edu/>

i. DGSAC Chair Report – James Skretta

Nothing to report at this time.

j. Webmaster Report – James Skretta

Welcome back to campus everyone! I look forward to a great year in GSS and am happy to help any and all with website issues. If there is something that you think we should include in the website that is not already there, let me know and we can see what can be done!



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Committee chairs, if there are any issues that you may have or things that may be lacking from your page, also notify me!

Additionally, I'd like to continue and push to complete an initiative to upload member photos to the individual senator pages on the website. If you would like to have your photo on the GSS website (on your specific membership page), please let myself or the Membership Officer, Katie Kidwell, know, and we will get it taken care of!!

IX. Committee Reports

a. Academic Mentoring Committee – Hayley McLoughlin

Nothing to report at this time.

b. Computer Resources Committee –

Nothing to report at this time.

c. International Student Committee – Amr El-Bokl

Nothing to report at this time.

d. Jakobsen Conference Committee – Samantha Shune, Shaun Wilkinson

Mark your calendars for this year's James F. Jakobsen Conference, set for April 6th in the IMU. All graduate students are invited to submit their research (poster or oral presentation format) to the conference. No one is "turned away" and we accept all submissions. More details will be released in the coming weeks. If you want to get involved in helping organize or promote the conference (we have many tasks), let us know! We have lots of opportunities available, including a publicity co-chair position!

e. Jakobsen Conference Review Committee – James Skretta

Nothing to report at this time.

f. Legislative Committee – OPEN

Nothing to report at this time.

g. Service & Social Committee – Andrew Juhl, Sheri Martin

We're looking forward to a fun and productive year on the S&S Committee. We've already got Shop for Shelter (October 20th) lined-up as our first volunteer event, and we've got a ton of ideas and plans for social events already in the works—including the powwow **LATER TONIGHT** after the meeting at the **Blue Moose**. Other ideas in the works: a board game night, an away-game "tailgate" somewhere downtown, and the Fall Ball will make its reappearance this year. We've got so many ideas, and we can always use **YOUR HELP** to help get them done and done-fun.

h. Travel Funds Committee – Lindsey Thomas, Gabriela Hamerlinck

The Travel Funds GSS Committee chairs would like to welcome back all returning senators and, especially, our fantastic Travel Funds members. We would also like to welcome all new senators. We hope all of you had a great summer and that the fresh academic year is off to a great start.

Please consider serving on the Travel Funds Committee. GSS provides travel funding assistance to graduate students who present their research at conferences, meetings, symposia and similar professional or academic gatherings. The funds are provided by the Graduate College and



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allocated by the Travel Funds Committee to deserving applicants, at multiple deadlines throughout each fiscal year. As a committee member, you will participate in scoring sessions that follow each application deadline. The application submissions and reviews are both completed electronically, but the committee holds actual meetings for scoring sessions. In order to maintain membership in good standing, a member cannot miss more than one committee meeting during a given semester. Committee members from past years indicate that the benefits of the experience obtained through evaluating applications of other students helps them in better explaining their own research, as well as understanding review processes on a broad scale. Also, snacks are provided.

We received almost 40 applications for the last (July 2012) cycle, and we funded approximately 75% of those that were eligible. Thank you to all of the reviewers for their time and effort in reviewing the summer round of applications.

The GSS Travel Funds deadlines for the 2012 fiscal year are on Thursdays, 11:59PM, as follows: September 13, November 8, January 24, March 28, May 23, July 18 (FY2013). The committee meetings during the fall semester will be held at in N186LC (computer lab in North Lindquist Center) at 5:15PM on Monday, September 17 and Tuesday, November 13. Spring semester 2012 dates/times TBA.

X. Announcements

- a. Social Gathering at Blue Moose immediately after meeting tonight
- b. Like GSS on facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/UIowaGSS>
- c. Obermann Graduate Fellows applications due October 2, 2012
 - i. Eric Zimmer will provide info.
 - ii. <http://obermann.uiowa.edu/programs/graduate-institute-engagement-and-academy>
- d. Global Health Symposium November 7, 2012
 - i. Event Details: Global Health Symposium
Date: Wednesday November 7th 2012
Time: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Location: College of Public Health
Events: GH Poster Presentations, Speakers, Photo Competition
 - ii. Contact Jonathan Schultz (jonathan-schultz@uiowa.edu) if you are interested in helping
- e. Jakobsen Conference April 6th 2013
- f. Any additional Announcements
 - i. please e-mail announcements from your departments or other groups to the executive associate, Bryan Brown, prior to meetings

XI. Open Discussion

- a. Opened by chair- closed by motion with second approval by senate

XII. Adjournment



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2012-2013 Graduate Student Senate
Roster of Elected Positions

Executive Officers:

President	Kimberly Hoppe	kimberly-hoppe@uiowa.edu
Vice President	Elizabeth Deifell	elizabeth-deifell@uiowa.edu
Treasurer	Jordan Yanke	jordan-yanke@uiowa.edu
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Parliamentarian	Andrew Juhl	andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu
ECGPS Delegates	Kimberly Hoppe	kimberly-hoppe @uiowa.edu
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	Elizabeth Deifell (alt)	elizabeth-deifell@uiowa.edu
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	Lindsey Thomas	lindsey-thomas@uiowa.edu
	James Skretta	james-skretta@uiowa.edu
Webmaster	James Skretta	james-skretta@uiowa.edu

Roster of Appointed Positions

Committee Chairs:

Academic Mentoring Committee	Hayley McLoughlin	hayleysm@gmail.com
Computer Resources Committee	OPEN	
International Student Committee	Amr El-Bokl	amr-elbokl@uiowa.edu
Jakobsen Conference Committee	Samantha Shune	
	Shaun Wilkinson	
Jakobsen Conference Review	James Skretta	james-skretta@uiowa.edu
Legislative Committee	OPEN	
Service & Social Committee	Andrew Juhl	andrew-juhl@uiowa.edu
	Sheri Martin	sheri-martin@uiowa.edu
Travel Funds Committee	Lindsey Thomas	lindsey-thomas@uiowa.edu

Additional GSS Representatives:

Dean's Graduate Student Advisory Committee (DGSAC)	James Skretta	james-skretta@uiowa.edu
Graduate Student Organizations Liaison	OPEN	
GPAC	Benjamin Gillig	benjamin-gillig@uiowa.edu



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