


Graduate Student Council

General Body Meeting

**Wednesday, January 11, 2017
6:00 PM Reitz Union 2335**



AGENDA

- I. Welcome**
 - II. Officer Reports**
 - III. Invited Announcements:**
 - IV. Open Issues/Announcements**
 - V. Adjournment**
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REPORTS: PRESIDENT

Dean of Students

- Two Presidential Inauguration Watch-Events in Grad/Family Housing
 - Facilitators there to lead discussions
 - <http://www.housing.ufl.edu/community-updates/>

Graduate Student Appreciation Week: April 3-7, 2017

Upcoming Graduate CRC Events:

[Interviewing Skills](#)

January 12 | 4:05-4:55 | CRC Library

[Creating Your Career Action Plan](#)

February 1 | 4:05-4:55 | CRC Classroom

[Job Searching Outside of Academia](#)

February 8 | 4:05-4:55 | CRC Classroom

REPORTS: VICE PRESIDENT

Grad Resource of the Month: 2017 Schedule

January - U Matter We Care *(Associate Vice President & Dean of Students Jen Day Shaw)*

February - Graduate Student Senate Candidates

March - Elections (No Speaker)

May - End of Year GSC Awards (No Speaker)

- *If you have any ideas for resources you would like to hear from or are part of a center/organization/group that offers resources to graduate students please feel free to contact me.*

If you have any questions/ ideas or want to get involved please feel free to contact me:

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REPORTS: VICE PRESIDENT

Graduate Student Leader Summit

- March 31st 2017
- This event gathers graduate student leaders from across campus and provides a platform to discuss the goals for the upcoming year. Furthermore we expose the student leaders to all of the resources available to graduate students and their organizations.
- All graduate student organization executive board members will be invited and we encourage you to keep a lookout for the invitation.
- If your organization doesn't get an invite in error please feel free to reach out to us.

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Graduate Organization Information: gsc.sg.ufl.edu

Link to GatorConnect: <https://ufl.collegiatelink.net/>

The screenshot shows the GatorConnect website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for ABOUT US, NEW STUDENTS, GRANTS, DOCUMENTS, CONTACT US, ALBUMS, and GRADUATE ORGANIZATIONS. A search bar is located in the top right corner, with a red arrow pointing to it. Below the navigation menu, the breadcrumb trail reads "Home / Graduate Organizations". The main content area features a paragraph explaining that GatorConnect is a portal for student-run organizations at the University of Florida. Below this text, there is a search bar with "graduate" entered and a "GO" button, both highlighted with a red box. To the left of the search bar is a "Filters" section with a list of categories: Directory, Categories, Academic, Community/Volunteer Service, Cultural, Graduate, and Honor Society. The "Graduate" category is highlighted with a red box. To the right of the filters, there are several organization listings, each with a logo and a brief description. The first listing is "A Reason to Give (ARTG)", the second is "Ability Service Training Responsibility Achievement (ASTRA)", the third is "Academy of General Dentistry (UF AGD)", the fourth is "AcademyHealth Student Chapter", and the fifth is "Actualize".

107 Organizations
Mention Graduate
Students

REPORTS: TREASURER

- **2016-2017 Budget status:** We remain on track to complete travel-grant spending by the end of the fiscal year.
- Please feel free to contact me (Lexa Skrivanek) with any questions concerning the GSC budget or **TAR submission** at lexask@ufl.edu.

REPORTS: SECRETARY

- Please make sure your representative emails are updated on the attendance sheet, or email corrections to gplumton@ufl.edu

REPORTS: GRANTS COMMITTEE CHAIR

- Please help us review monthly travel grant applications.

Typically, first Monday of month at 6! Email gscgrants@gmail.com to sign up for 02/06/17 or learn more.

Traveling to present or for professional development?

- Win a competitive award of up to **\$350, 1x/fiscal year**.
- How: Make **ufgsc.org** your *best friend*. Once you develop this relationship, contact gscgrants@gmail.com with concerns.

Current cycle deadline: January 31, 2016

for DOMESTIC TRAVEL that BEGINS on Mar 15 to Apr 14
for INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL that BEGINS on Apr 1 to May 31

REPORTS: INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS CHAIR

Concealing and Revealing: Exposing the Power of Masks. A discussion of sacred and entertainment masks from Africa. Sunday, January 22nd 3pm Harn Museum of Art (Gallery)

Harn Museum Nights: “Art Without Borders”. “ Learn about study abroad opportunities and take an Art Blast for a new cultural experience.” Thursday January 12th - 6:00pm-9:00pm at Harn Museum of Art

Failure Factories: “The series, Failure Factories, exposed how failed promises of money and resources resulted in five "average" schools becoming some of the worst over an eight year period. The series was awarded a Pulitzer Prize in 2016.” January 18th at 6pm at the Pugh Hall Ocora

Global Fellows Workshop Series, Funding for International Research: “You will learn how to find funding from federal agencies, foreign entities, private foundations and other sources You’ll also receive guidance on searching from international funding in UF’s Opportunities Manager, as well as advice on which opportunities to pursue”. January 20th at 9am-11am at the UF International Center (HUB Building) Rm 145

REPORTS: GRADUATE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

The December meeting was cancelled.

We are looking for a new “Alternate Graduate Council Representative”!

Please email me if you are interested. The alternate representative is expected to attend all Graduate Council meetings for the semester.

Next Graduate Council Meeting is the 19th of January 2017 at 1pm

*If you have questions about the Graduate Council
please email me (**Mirna P. Amaya**) at mirnaaa@ufl.edu*



REPORTS: FACULTY SENATE REPRESENTATIVE

- Resolution passed - Increase library funding
- Resolution to be voted on - Maintain current post-doc minimum salary at ~24k. Do not raise minimum post-doc salary to \$47,476 which still remains current plan despite no longer being federal requirement
- Vote will occur on January 19

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REPORTS: UF LIBRARIES COMMITTEE

UF Open Access Publishing fund available starting January 1



OPEN ISSUES/ANNOUNCEMENTS



Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 8, 2017

6:00 PM Reitz Union Room 2335