


Graduate Student Council

General Body Meeting

**Wednesday, February 8, 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

Graduate School: PhD Individual Development Plan

- The Graduate School is drafting an IDP for PhD Students that is applicable across all programs and disciplines
- Aim: Implemented for the incoming Fall 2017 class
- Required for all new, incoming graduate students OR the department/program equivalent

Graduate Student Appreciation Week: April 3-7, 2017

Upcoming Graduate CRC Events:

[Building a Teaching Portfolio and Academic Documents](#)

February 14 | 4:05-5:30 | CRC Library

REGISTRATION REQUIRED; click [here](#).

[Networking and Using LinkedIn](#)

February 21 | 4:05-4:55 | CRC Classroom

[Virtual PhD and Master's Career Fair](#)

March 2 | All Day | Virtual

Upcoming Graduate CRC Events Continued:

New! Graduate Career Pathways Program

Thursdays from Feb. 16th - March 23rd from 5-6:30pm

This 5 session program will help you to learn about alternative-academic career paths, make career decisions, and understand your work interests. Based on design thinking, each week will help you to learn more about yourself and career options. Participants will take a FREE career assessment and learn more about careers outside of academia with their peers. If you're not sure what to do after grad school, this program is for you!

Please [bit.ly/gradcareerpathways]register by February 14th to join the program!

Questions? Contact MelissaLy@crc.ufl.edu

www.crc.ufl.edu

REPORTS: VICE PRESIDENT

Grad Resource of the Month: 2017 Schedule

February - Graduate Student Senate Candidates

Elections:

- March 15th 2017
- Nominations will be opened following this meeting.
- Any graduate student is eligible to run, feel free to talk to any current exec board members should you have any questions.

REMINDER:

GSC department representatives are expected to relay information discussed in this meeting back to their department. GSC provides information through this meeting, emails, our website and via facebook. You are vital to ensuring grad students are informed and up to date.

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

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REPORTS: VICE PRESIDENT

Election Nominations: Nomination page

← GSC Executive Board Nominations: 2017-2018 SEND

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QUESTIONS RESPONSES

GSC Executive Board Nominations: 2017-2018

Please follow the steps below.

Nominee's Name *

Short answer text

Nominee's Email Address *

Short answer text

Position *

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Grants Committee Chair

Nominee Name AND EMAIL must be included to ensure they are contacted!

Nominations from the floor are accepted on election day.

If nominee does not come to elections/have contact information provided, we will not track them down.

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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REPORTS: TREASURER

- **2016 - 2017 Budget status: On track to complete travel-grant spending by the end of the fiscal year.**
 - Expenditure of total budget to date = 76%!
- **2017 - 2018 Budget status: Proposal in progress.**
 - New additions: Graduate Student Appreciation Week + Tailgate Guys.
 - Please contact me with any suggested revisions at lexask@ufl.edu.
- **Interested in the GSC Treasurer position?** Let me know!
- *I am happy to address any questions concerning the GSC budget or TAR submission.*

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 02/28/17 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: February 28, 2017

for DOMESTIC TRAVEL that BEGINS on Apr 15 to Mar 14
for INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL that BEGINS on May 1 to Jun 30

REPORTS: INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS CHAIR

<https://www.facebook.com/UFICISS/>

To F1 students concerned with applying for OPT due to being from one of the countries listed in the January 27, 2017 Executive Order:

"USCIS continues to adjudicate applications and petitions filed for or on behalf of individuals in the United States regardless of their country of origin, and applications and petitions of lawful permanent residents outside the U.S. USCIS also continues to adjudicate applications and petitions for individuals outside the U.S. whose approval does not directly confer travel authorization."

<https://www.uscis.gov/>

"There are many resources available to keep up to date with the current immigration regulation changes, most directly dealing with the Executive Order recently signed on January 27, 2017. Some of our main resources are listed below:

USCIS (scroll to the bottom for "News"): <https://www.uscis.gov>

DHS (scroll to the bottom for "Latest Headlines"): <https://www.dhs.gov/news>

FRAGOMEN: <https://www.fragomen.com/services/immigration-trump-administration-what-you-need-know> ”

REPORTS: INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS CHAIR



Transitioning to an Employment Based Visa: Featuring Immigration Attorney Aaron Blumberg

February 9, 2017 from 3:05PM to 5:05PM, CRC Library

Learn about different ways to obtain an employment based visa post-graduation in this informational workshop. Aaron Blumberg, an Immigration Attorney with Fragomen Associates, will be delivering a presentation and answering your questions related to H1B Visas and other ways to legally remain in the US.

Choose to attend either in person or live stream [here](#):

For detailed information about the Career Resource Center, and our services, please visit our [website](#). Questions? Please email Melissa Lyon at MelissaLy@crc.ufl.edu

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Diversity in Grad School: A Panel Discussion and Networking Session

Feb 09, 2017 • 5:00-6:30 PM

at the Career Resource Center

Join us for a discussion with current and former graduate students from MCDA, BGSO, LOGRAS, and Graduate Minority Programs for advice about the graduate school application process, transitioning into graduate school, and how to make the most of your time as a graduate student.

To stream the workshop live, register here:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8871227428443873796>

REPORTS: GRADUATE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

We are looking for a new “Alternate Graduate Council Representative 2017-2019” and a “Graduate Council Representative 2017-2018”! Please email me a copy of your CV if you are interested in being considered as a candidate. The alternate representative is also expected to attend all Graduate Council meetings for the semester.

Next Graduate Council Meeting is the 16th of February 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

- Passed - Creation of Department of Comparative, Diagnostic and Population Medicine, CVM
- Minimum post-doc salary to stay at \$47,476
- Doctor of Occupational Therapy new degree to be voted on Feb. 16

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REPORTS: UF LIBRARIES COMMITTEE

UF Open Access Publishing fund available starting January 1



Invited Announcements

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OPEN ISSUES/ANNOUNCEMENTS



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