



Office of the Vice President of Professional Development

Officer Report

February 2013

February

This month GPSA hosted our Spring Graduate Student Social:

- 63 of 80 tickets were purchased for the event
- Facebook advertising, event and ads in MyASU
- 58 of the 63 participants attended the event

The social was held at Tempe Center for the Arts. We had a very good turn out for this event. I really appreciate everyone who attended and thank you for sharing this with so many of your constituents.

Working with the writing centers on a grant-writing workshop. This will facilitate graduate students to understand how to write grant proposals and complete applications for not only the GPSA travel grant process, but also external grant applications. We have done 2 information sessions so far this year.

Reviewing with the other VP's on a new service offering from the Office of Professional Development. The PD is researching the opportunity of creating a "Graduate – Professional Journal" that will take the top 18 papers on a semester basis from travel grant submissions and publish them in a GPSA Journal. The papers would be reviewed by faculty in their discipline, and then published and held in our library. This will give each graduate student the opportunity to be published

Have implemented the "Internship Travel" program. Currently we have 35 applications. The budget would allow for 45 and the application closes today.

March (Preview).

- Finalizing the preparation for Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation week. We need the following from the assembly:
 - Volunteers for service before, during and after the picnic
 - Please sign-up [here](#)
- A new market scheme is being adopted to promote this event. We are going to ask that each assembly member send a personal email to their cohort inviting them to the picnic.
 - The template can be found [here](#)

Social/Events

The office of the VPPD has planned all of this year social events and interactions. Most locations are finalized and being vetted for cost

- All events will be monitored through Eventbrite.
- Purchase tactic will be implemented to increase value of participation in events. This will also allow for us to see if Grads would want to pay for an event.
- All events are advertised on GPSA.ASU.EDU; inside of My.ASU.EDU and in the GradStu.

Professional Development

Looking to Academic Technologies to offer graduate TA and RA specific resources. Update slotted for October once the AT is finalized under the new Associate Provost Timmes.

Researching and sourcing how to produce a peer-reviewed journal to be managed by the PD.