

# January 2015 Executive Report

From the Office of Internal Affairs

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## Action Required

**REALLY NEED your help advertising the funding initiatives available this semester:**

- a. The GPSA Funding Opportunities (See attached flyer)
- b. The Centennial Professorship Award (See attached flyer)

## Internal Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

The IA Office has three new initiatives this semester, so members of the committee will be working in smaller groups to focus on these new initiatives. The three initiatives include:

- **Athletics Research grant Program** - Committee members along with GPSA volunteers will oversee this new grant. (Peter Krehbiel & Irfan Kula)
- **Spring Teaching Excellence Award program** - Committee members along with the GPSA volunteers will oversee the TEA award program (Sultan Kilinc & Bobby Abdallah)
- **Planning the annual GPSA Award Ceremony** - Committee members would work with myself and the two IA directors in planning this event. (Chun Tao & Owen McKenna)

Director of Graduate Research: Nedim Yel

Director of Graduate Student Travel: Taruni Kancharla

Assembly Members Expected: Sultan Kilinc, Bobby Abdallah, Peter Krehbiel, Chun Tao, Irfan Kula, Owen McKenna

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1. New Director of Graduate Student Travel, Taruni Kancharla (Congrats!)


- Taruni will oversee both the Group and Internship Travel Grants

2. Updated Funding Webpage!

- No more lengthy drop down menu.
- Combined Awards and Funding
- Added a world map with icons denoting where people have gone on conferences
- travel grant testimonials with pictures/videos



3. Program changes:

- **Group Travel grant is now accessible to a larger group of students!** Any group of two to seven graduate students participating in a conference or competition together (e.g. symposium, panel discussion, roundtable, competition, performance, etc.) is eligible for up to \$950 per group member. **Deadline:** 7th of the month *prior* to travel.
- Two New programs Interview Travel Grant and Athletics Research Grant 
- The outreach directors will coordinate the Volunteers