

February 2015 Executive Report

From the Office of Internal Affairs

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Action Required

1. **REALLY NEED your help advertising the following funding initiatives:**
 - a. The Athletics Research Grant (Application Deadline – February 27th) Flyer: bit.ly/ARGflyerASU
 - b. GPSA Funding Opportunities (See attached flyer) Program Information Link: bit.ly/GPSAAthleticsResearch
2. Centennial Professorship Award reviewers **NEEDED**

Internal Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

Director of Graduate Research: Nedim Yel

Director of Graduate Student Travel: Taruni Kancharla

Assembly Members Expected: Anna Montana Cirell, Owen McKenna, Hilary Charles, Sultan Kilinc, Ashley Laverty, Chun Tao, Irfan Kula

The committee members of the IA office have been working in smaller groups focused on three initiatives. These include:

- **Athletics Research Grant Committee –**
 - **Committee Members**
 - *Assembly or Director Members*
 - Irfan Kula; Anna Montana Cirell; Kerrie Wilkins; Nedim Yel
 - *GPSA Volunteers*
 - Maya Hutchins; Hadi Dinpajoo; Margo Regier; Clark Sugata; Alberto Florez; Pavani Swarupa Kilari; Rene Burcham; Jesse Ugha
 - Two meetings held thus far:
 - Website updated, Rubric Created, and currently heavily focused on marketing
 - Flyer Created (<http://bit.ly/ARGflyerASU>). Deadline February 27th.
- **Teaching Excellence Award Committee**
 - *Assembly or Director Members*
 - Hilary Charles; Sultan Kilinc; Ashley Laverty; Nedim Yel and Kerrie Wilkins
 - First meeting was held Friday, February 6th @ 3:30PM
 - Discussed required steps for TEA award
 - Flyer created (<http://bit.ly/TEAFlyer>)
 - Nomination deadline today (February 20)
- **Planning the annual GPSA Award Ceremony**
 - *Assembly or Director Members*
 - Chun Tao; Owen McKenna; Taruni Kancharla; Nedim Yel; Kerrie Wilkins
 - Three meetings held thus far. The last meeting was held on February 17th, 2015.
 - Visited alternative locations for the GPSA award ceremony
 - Discussed catering, program, awards, and event details.
 - Will be held in April (Exact date and place will be determined soon)

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Workshops

1. Collaborated with the Graduate Student Writing Center to lead a Travel Grant workshop on 02/02/2015. A total of 15 students were in attendance.
2. Collaborating with Graduate Education to host the next Travel Grant Workshop (Titled: "Show me the money") on March 18th at noon.

GPSA Funding Programs

1. Internship Travel Grant
 - 87 applications were submitted (almost 20% increase compared to Fall cycle)
 - 69 applications were eligible for funding and sent to the reviewers.
 - Each application will be reviewed by at least 4 reviewers.
2. **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.
 - Group Travel Grant February Cycle
 - Received 25 applications which was approximately a 400% increase compared to the two cycles in the Fall
 - Applications were sent to the reviewers.
 - Each application will be reviewed by at least 4 reviewers.
3. Interview Travel Grant Pilot
 - Brett Seymoure oversees this program.
 - 66 applications received. Wohhoo!
4. JumpStart Research Grant
 - Fall Cycle
 - Research summary reports from the fall recipients were collected.
 - Unused funds for Fall recipients expired as of February 15, 2015.
 - These funds will be used to fund more applications for the Spring Cycle.
 - Spring Cycle
 - 34 applications received (60% increase compared to Fall Cycle)
 - Advisors notified for recommendation letter
 - Reviewers will be assigned to applications once the recommendation letters have been received from the advisors.
5. 2014-2015 Centennial Professorship Award
 - Designed for tenure and non-tenure track professors
 - Nominations closed on February 9th
 - 144 nominations received.
 - Reviewers needed!