April 2015 Executive Report
From the Office of Internal Affairs
Date: 4/13/2015

Action Required
Assembly Members are asked to attend the two following Award Ceremonies:

**GPSA End of Year Award Ceremony** ([RSVP Here](#))
Date: April 24th
Location: ASU Art Museum Rooftop Patio
Time: 6:00 - 8:30PM

Internal Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

Director of Graduate Research: Nedim Yel
Director of Graduate Student Travel: Taruni Kancharla
Assembly Members: 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.

- **Athletics Research Grant Committee** –
  - **Committee Members**
    - **Assembly or Director Members**
      - Irfan Kula; Anna Montana Cirell; Kerrie Wilkins; Nedim Yel
    - **GPSA Volunteers**
      - Maya Hutchins; Hadi Dinpajooh; Margo Regier; Clark Sugata; Alberto Florez; Pavani Swarupa Kilari; Rene Burcham; Jesse Ugha; Victoria Burcham; Himanshu Agarwal;
      - Final meeting held on March 30th at 1-2:30PM.
      - Selected Athletic Research Grant recipients

- **Teaching Excellence Award Committee**
  - **Assembly or Director Members**
    - Hilary Charles; Sultan Kilinc; Ashley Laverty; Nedim Yel and Kerrie Wilkins
  - Final Meeting held on April 10th @ 2PM
  - Selected TEA recipients

- **Planning the annual GPSA Award Ceremony**
  - **Assembly or Director Members**
    - Chun Tao; Owen McKenna; Taruni Kancharla; Nedim Yel; Kerrie Wilkins
  - Planning GPSA's three Award Ceremonies
  - Final Meeting will be held on April 21st @ 2PM
Summary of GPSA Funding Awarded to date

March Individual Travel Grant
Total number of students funded in March: 77
Total Number of students funded to date: 424
Total amount awarded: $325,671
Average acceptance rate: 53%

Group Travel Grant
Total Number of groups funded to date: 13 (38 individual students)
Total amount awarded: $24,393.72
Note: 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.

Internship Travel Grant
Fall 2014
Total Number of students funded: 28
Total amount awarded: $12,338.21

Spring 2015
Total Number of students funded: 28
Total amount awarded: $9,500

Interview Travel Grant
Total Number of students funded: 22
Total amount awarded: $20,900

Jumpstart Research Grant
Total Number of students funded: 16
Total amount awarded: $7,214
Percentage of students funded: 76%

Athletic Research Grant
Total Number of applications: 23
Total number of students funded: 14
Total amount awarded: $32,055
CONGRATS to the 2014-2015 Teaching Excellence Award Recipients

Jacqueline Monkiewicz, Astrophysics
Erica O'Neil, Biology (Biology & Society)
Louise Clark, Communication
Versha Anderson, Communication
Sarah Grieve, English (Literature)
Charles Rolsky, Evolutionary Biology
Steven Glaser, Geological Sciences
Michelle Gerber, German
Adrienne Baldwin-White, Social Work
Allison Ward, Social Work
Kristy Roschke, Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Comm
Wesley Tucker, Exercise & Wellness
Danielle Lussier, Molecular and Cellular Biology
Sarah Snyder, English
Ara Austin, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry
Liang Liao, Counseling Psychology
Rebecca Henriksen, SILC (French department)
Luke Brenneman, Hugh Downs School of Human Communication
Sarah Herrmann, Department of Psychology
Michael Tallman, School of Mathematical and Statistical Science

CONGRATS to the 2014-2015 Continuing Excellence Award Recipients

Katherine Daily O'Meara, English
Charles Rolsky, Evolutionary Biology
Steven Glaser, Geological Sciences
Berkay Kanberoglu, Electrical Engineering
David Messer, Counseling Psychology
Tara Franks, Communication