

GSA Meeting Agenda: December 6th, 2018

NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 17, 2019, 4:30 AT PIZZA HOUSE

- Welcome
- Graduate School Updates
 - o Alternative Spartan Break is accepting applications for programs in December and March over the breaks, and April 6-7. Apply online at asb.msu.edu
 - o Apply for the MSU Hearing Boards review cases of students accused of violating university policy. Applications are due Feb 1, with interviews on Feb 8th.
[judaffrs@vps.msu.edu](mailto:judafrs@vps.msu.edu)
 - o MSUFCU intern opportunity, stipends up to \$1000, deadline is January 16th, 2019.
<http://careernetwork.msu.edu/jobs-internships/Internship-opportunity-award.html>
- Department & Related Events (Kelly)
 - o The dept is taking about 5 students into the program next year.
 - o MSU is starting the block model next Fall
 - Undergraduates taking 11-18 credits pay for 15 credits
 - likely that less summer classes will be filled
 - The dept is looking for more financial means to supplement the money we won't make from summer courses
 - There will also be a new minimester in January which will may impact funding dates for TAs
 - o The professionalism course will be available next semester. This class will primarily be a writing block for bibliographies.
 - o The department has opened the chair position to all tenured professors with a PhD in Anthropology across the university.
- COGS update (Amber)
 - o Event funding: Food funds to graduate student organizations was increased to \$500.
 - o Conference and Professional Development Awards are no longer rolling deadlines. There will be 4 deadlines throughout the year so watch the website.
 - o Call for abstracts is posted for the 3 minute thesis competition.
- Treasury update (Livy)
 - o Amount made from can collection=~\$10
 - o Amount GSA funds total=~\$600
- GEU update (Livy)
 - o GEU will start bargaining soon for our contracts. Updates coming.
- GSA Activity Updates
 - o GSA Symposium
 - Date: February 8, 2019
 - Planning Committee: (Plemons, Jack)
 - Reserve Room (McDonel C103)
 - Draft call for abstracts
 - Organize presenters, abstracts, and programs
 - Food committee: (Livy, Micayla)
 - Will order Woodys
 - Breakfast

- Plan for morning presenters (fruit, coffee, bagels, GF options)
 - Get budget together (contact Kelly for past budget)
 - Swag (Kelly)
 - Purchase folders/pens
 - Help other committee as needed.
 - We missed the deadline for COGS funding. They are voting at the next meeting to decide if we can get refunded for the event.
 - Contact department to see if they will sponsor
- Think of things you could donate to the raffle (at the Bake Sale) this Spring. Items purchased abroad and electric tooth brushes are v. popular.
- Adjourn