

GSA Meeting Agenda: December 3rd, 2019

- Welcome

- Department & Related Events

- Applications due January 31st (guidelines for applying will be sent out around December 16th)
 - If you plan to do summer research and need funds, begin thinking about it now (application will include proposal, budget, CV, recommendation letter from advisor)
- Dean Rachel Croson's last day at MSU is March 30th
 - Current search for Interim Dean
- Undergraduate Research Symposium and Showcase
 - Thank you to all who helped and/or attended!
- Anthropology Working Papers Series
 - Two talks per month; next one is January 13th—Dr. Chelsea Wentworth
 - Call for two graduate students are needed for a 15 minute talk in the spring

- COGS update (Micayla)

- Remarks from the Graduate School
 - www.sis.msu.edu (Fall 2020): New course planning and GradPlan
- Remarks from Student Affairs and Services
 - Student Leadership Awards: Outstanding Graduate Students nominations
- Remarks from COGS Advisor
 - MSU Hotline or Report: Any question or comments 24/7 if something doesn't seem right (anonymous)
 - <https://misconduct.msu.edu>
- **Vote** on a Multicultural Building
- **Vote** on Workplace Harassment Policy
 - Will affect all faculty, staff, students, and employees
 - HR Policy
- **Vote** Consideration of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Faculty Promotion

- Treasury update (Elena)

- GSA Scholarship
 - Two \$100 Scholarships
 - Eligibility— 2 meetings & 1 event **OR** 3 meetings
 - **January** application— One \$100 scholarship based on fall eligibility
 - **April** application—One \$100 scholarship based on spring eligibility

- GEU update

- GEU funds and bank account – trying to decide how to securely hold the money with a better interest rate
- Things still in dispute/limbo from negotiations with University
 - Grad student housing – agreement for continued talks (next spring)
 - Speaking test for international students – agreement for continued talks
 - DACA – university has no official position on it – GEU wanted two things
 - If DACA is repealed, the university must give severance packages or pay out the employees who must be let go
 - University should create an informational website about DACA and how the university deals with it
 - University refused to do either, claiming it would mean they're taking a side/stance

- GSA Activity Updates

- **GSA Holiday Party** –Saturday, December 7th at 8 pm at Jack and Emily’s House
 - Theme: The Office Christmas Party
- GSA Symposium – Tentative date of Friday, Feb. 7th, 2020
 - Call for abstracts

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