



## 09/07/16 Open Meeting Minutes

### Introduction to the GSC

Check out the [website](#) and [cheat sheet](#) to learn more.

### Vote for Proposal

At-large Rep for SEAS

Propose to change the Article VI of the Constitution:

#### Section 1

**Current:** "The Executive Committee of the GSC shall consist of the Officers of the Council, the seven atlarge representatives, and the Advisor to the Council as voting members"

**Proposed Change:** "The Executive Committee of the GSC shall consist of the Officers of the Council, the eight atlarge representatives, and the Advisor to the Council as voting members"

#### Section 2

**Current:** "...one for terminal Masters degree students, and one for international students."

**Proposed Change:** "...one for terminal Masters degree students, one for international students, and one for School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS) programs."

- Question: Will there be separate category for sign in? Answer- Yes
- Vote passes. 2 abstain. No one against.

### Elections

At-Large Rep for Masters Students

No interest

At-Large Rep for SEAS

- One person interested- Blakely O'Connor, G3, wants to represent interests of SEAS, new mother, Blakely@seas.harvard.edu
- Vote passes. 1 abstains, no one against

**Office of Career Services** - Laura Stark

- Meeting sept 30<sup>th</sup> conversation on alternative/academic careers.
- Panel- out in academia. Lgbtq. Sept 26
- Friday, campus interview fair
- Becoming faculty series

## **Appointed Positions**

Publicity Manager

Graduate School Liaison

- Publicity manager- Liz Davis
- Graduate school liaison- Aleyda Trevino

## **Committees**

### GSC Funding Committee

GSC Funding Committee:

Chaired by the Treasurer. Has a minimum of 5 committee members that determine the funding allocation (amount and who gets funded) for official, registered student groups.

- Question- If you are part of a student group that is asking for funding do you have to recuse yourself? Answer- yes
- Question- What is time commitment? Answer- 3 funding rounds. 3 times a year meeting. 2-3-hour meeting.
- Question- What are rules on allotting funding? Does majority have to vote? Answer- Last year they discussed and came to agreement, not controversial. Not an exact formula. Chinmay working on point system.
- Volunteers: Zach Hayworth ([hayworthzm@g.harvard.edu](mailto:hayworthzm@g.harvard.edu)), Gonzalo Gonzalez-Del Pino ([ggonzalezdelpino@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:ggonzalezdelpino@fas.harvard.edu)), Ryan Greg ([ryg728@g.harvard.edu](mailto:ryg728@g.harvard.edu)), Andy Greenspon ([agreenspon@g.harvard.edu](mailto:agreenspon@g.harvard.edu)), Matt Holmes ([matthewholmes@g.harvard.edu](mailto:matthewholmes@g.harvard.edu)), Cesar Echavarria ([cechavarria@g.harvard.edu](mailto:cechavarria@g.harvard.edu)), Kevin Hog ([ze\\_hong@g.harvard.edu](mailto:ze_hong@g.harvard.edu))

### Committee on Graduate Education

October 26, 2-4 p.m. In the Dudley Common Room

November 2, 10-11:30 a.m., Dudley Common Room

February 22, 2-4 p.m., Dudley Common Room

April 5, 2-4 p.m., Dudley Common Room

The Committee on Graduate Education is responsible for considering all matters concerning graduate education that might come before the Faculty Council or the full Faculty of Arts and Sciences and for advising the Dean of the Faculty and the Deans of the Graduate School on matters pertaining to graduate education.

- Paul Tylkin- computer science- [ptylkin@g.harvard.edu](mailto:ptylkin@g.harvard.edu)
- Neelam Khoja – Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, [neelamkhoja@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:neelamkhoja@fas.harvard.edu)

### Student Health Planning Committee

President sits on the committee. Discusses the student health care plan.

- Mina Gadalla- applied physics- [mgadalla@g.harvard.edu](mailto:mgadalla@g.harvard.edu)
- Carrie Fry- health policy- [fry@g.harvard.edu](mailto:fry@g.harvard.edu)

### HUIT Committee

Friday, Sep 9 12-1pm, location TBD

The Student IT Advisory Board is made up of GSAS and College students, IT staff and administrators with the goal of providing student input into decisions impacting their technical environment and facilitating student technical contributions. We meet twice per semester. There are no requirements for technical skill. In fact, it is good to have a student without special technical skills, as they will be representing the typical GSAS IT user. Kevin Tian-  
[ktian@seas.harvard.edu](mailto:ktian@seas.harvard.edu)

### Harvard College Safety Committee

Once a month on the third Thursday in Strauss Hall, 3-4pm

GSAS Chair is Jackie Yun. The Harvard College Safety Committee was formed in response to a need for a venue in which students and staff could discuss issues related to safety at Harvard. The Committee works to identify ways to improve safety on the Cambridge and Allston campuses.

Need a volunteer!!

### Faculty Advisory Council on the Library and the Standing Committee

Monday, November 7, 2016: 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 12, 2017: 2:00–4:00 p.m.

The primary duties of the Standing Committee on the Library will be to gather information about the affairs of those libraries, to discuss their problems and possibilities, and to advise the dean as to the most effective policies for their administration.

David Porter- ealc- [dporter@g.harvard.edu](mailto:dporter@g.harvard.edu)

Aleyda Trevino - [atrevino@g.harvard.edu](mailto:atrevino@g.harvard.edu)

### Harvard Graduate Council - Peter

The organization's primary goals are to:

- Develop a strong graduate community by creating opportunities for students to interact
- Address issues and concerns by working with administration, faculty, and organizations
- Improve quality of life of Harvard Graduate students.

### Committee on Graduate Student Family Life –Rosanna

Forming practical solutions to administrations to make university family friendly and provide childcare assistance. Developed on 10/7/15.

- support, dependent healthcare, issues facing student parents
- find and address issues
- admin or [dromney@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:dromney@fas.harvard.edu)

## **Announcements**

### GSC Info Session for Funding and GSG/DGSOs

Tue, September 13, 6pm

Dudley Grad Student Lounge

### GSC Brunch

Sun, Sept 25<sup>th</sup>, 11am

Grad Student Dorms

Conant Hall Lounge, floor 1

### GSC Pub Crawl

TBD – look out for an email

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## **Open Floor**

Open Floor Announcement- Jack

Organizer Harvard Grad Student Union. Info Session Wed sept 14 from 4-5 pm.