Funding Outcomes – November 2016

All student groups and organizations must have a representative at the December 7 meeting to receive the funds they have been allocated.

Graduate Student Groups (GSGs)

Harvard GSAS Christian Community
Requested: 780
Granted: $663
Notes: Great Application! 15% deducted for late submission

HATS
Requested: $1000
Granted: $600
Notes: The budget was not broken down sufficiently and there were few details. So, it was hard for us to evaluate where the money is going and overall it was somewhat confusing

GSAS Journal of Emerging Investigators
Requested: $1744
Granted: $900
Notes: Money from FY'16 can't be allocated. Also, not enough details provided for AAAS + Cambridge Science Meeting to justify the cost of $350

Harvard Dragon Boat Team
Requested: $900
Granted: $900
Notes: The application was very solid and it was just one event with everything clearly explained. We allocated the requested amount

Harvard Swing Dance Society in GSAS
Requested: $1137
Granted: $937

Notes: The instructor was a bit expensive so we removed 15% from that. Also, the space rental seems a bit expensive so $50 were deducted for that

Science in The News (SITN)
Requested: $865
Granted: $450
Notes: Please use the $350 from last round to cover the remaining costs

GSAS Minority Biomedical Scientists of Harvard (MBSH)
Requested: $3160
Granted: $1650
Notes: Deducted money for travel expenses, refreshment costs, food expenses for board meetings

Harvard Vegan Society at GSAS
Requested: $3900
Granted: $1200
Notes: We cut money for honorarium, money for posters, chef cooking classes (please apply next time), honorariums, catering (more details here would be helpful), prize expenses. Please follow all the rules from the next time and give us separate costs for food and prizes as well as break up the advertising cost (newspapers vs posters) in the future.
Harvard Big Data Club (HBDC)
Requested: $2530
Granted: $1580
Notes: We cut some refreshments costs (economies of scale should help you save here) and board meeting food (since there was less funding this time, this item was funded at levels below request)

Harvard Graduate Consulting Club
Requested: $800
Granted: $400
Notes: We cut some refreshments costs. Besides, funding from other sources not listed so application was not complete and a complete budget was also not provided. Please provide these from next time for the application to be considered.

Harvard Club Francophone – A GSAS Student Association
Requested: $350
Granted: $200
Notes: Not all events were described in detail. Application was also a little late (~1 hour). Next time, please describe the events in detail and submit the application on time.

John Duff Society
Requested: $1500
Granted: $250
Notes: a). Budget is not detailed and no amounts are justified - why do you need $200 for publicity? It seems vague b). Small number of students for the amount requested so not sure about the impact c). The committee felt the application wasn't detailed enough. For example, GSC doesn't fund air travel or expensive catered food yet it seemed that the group asked for both

Germanic Circle
Requested: $395
Granted: $320
Notes: a). We cut money for fliers and advertisement b). We still feel GSC contributing 40% of funds is a little high but it's okay for now. c). The proposal was very well constructed d). The group did a good job of incorporating past feedback.

Speech and Hearing (SHBT)
Requested: $300
Granted: $200
Notes: GSC funds events open to all students. These funds will be only for students in SHBT. Hence, we reduced the funding amount by 33%.

Harvard Graduate Students in Linguistics (HGSL)
Requested: $409.94
Granted: $250
Notes: a). Please lobby the department for more money b). The photo contest event was not substantial c). Budget is not clear (is $50/month from department or total $50?)

Funds Requested: $19,770.94
Funds Granted: $10,500
Groups Supported: 15