## Spring 2018 Student Group Awards

**Number of groups that applied for funding:** 21  
**Total Requested:** $30,197.17  
**Total Budgeted:** $14,000  
**Total Granted:** $14,000  
*(One group applied for funding but did not send a representative to the open council meeting)*

### Graduate Student Groups (GSGs)

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<td>Harvard Dragon Boat Team: a GSAS Student Organization</td>
<td>$1955</td>
<td>$9</td>
<td>This was a fantastic application; thank you! We could not award the full amount for the spring event due to the number of applications we received. For the August event, please apply again in the summer round.</td>
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<td>LGBTQ at GSAS</td>
<td>$2,050</td>
<td>$1,661</td>
<td>Great application; your events are interesting and unique, and we appreciate your efforts to secure and leverage outside sources of funding. We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. In the future, please list the specific funding cycles (e.g. &quot;Spring 2017, Fall 2017&quot; instead of &quot;2016/2017&quot;) when you are noting which cycles you most recently were awarded funding for.</td>
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<td>Harvard GSAS Photo Society</td>
<td>$1700</td>
<td>$911</td>
<td>Great application; thank you! The $200 startup fund is NOT included in the amount listed here; please feel free to request this amount at any time. We recommend that you somehow publicize the fact that your group is renting out photography equipment; it's likely that many GSAS students will take advantage of this! We could not award the total amount requested due to the number of applications we received. Please apply for funding for the May event in the summer funding round.</td>
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<td>Humanities and Social Sciences Graduate Career Groups at GSAS</td>
<td>$700</td>
<td>$361</td>
<td>In the future we would appreciate a more detailed description of your group's purpose and goals (most groups provide a few paragraphs of context). Please apply for funding for your May events in the summer round. We could not award the full amount for your April events due to the number of applications we received this cycle. We were confused because you requested $700, but the total amount needed for all three events was $750; perhaps this was a typo?</td>
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<td>GSAS Action Coalition</td>
<td>$443</td>
<td>$211</td>
<td>Thank you so much for your detailed budget; we really appreciated this. Unfortunately we could not award the full amount due to the number of applications we received this cycle. We did not fund any events proposed for May or later in this cycle; please apply again in the summer round for these events. We would appreciate a stronger effort to procure external funding.</td>
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<td>Harvard East Asia Society</td>
<td>$1860</td>
<td>$711</td>
<td>We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. We would appreciate a stronger effort to secure external sources of funding for your events.</td>
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<td>Harvard GSAS Effective Altruism</td>
<td>$465</td>
<td>$211</td>
<td>We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. Please apply for funding for events that take place in May or later in the summer round. In addition, we thought the cost for pizza was too high relative to the amount that groups typically request for pizza expenses.</td>
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<td>Harvard Graduate Christian Community</td>
<td>$1,150</td>
<td>$511</td>
<td>We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. We encourage your group to seek external funding, and to cut the budget for snacks per meeting. We also recommend more cost-efficient ways of advertising.</td>
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<td>Harvard GSAS Science Policy Group</td>
<td>$2,175</td>
<td>$1,011</td>
<td>We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. All proposed events are good and we appreciate your effort in organizing these events. Funding cut entirely due to our budget constraints.</td>
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Minority Biomedical Scientists of Harvard
Requested: $2,500
Awarded: $948
Notes: We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. We encourage your group to significantly cut down budget for lunch and snacks.

Harvard Swing Dance Society in GSAS
Requested: $680
Awarded: $419
Notes: Thank you for your thorough application. We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle.

Harvard Big Data Club in GSAS
Requested: $3209
Awarded: $1111
Notes: Thank you for hosting so many events, and for your strong efforts to secure funding from other sources. We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. The GSC does not reimburse retroactively, so we cannot fund either of your February events (both occurred prior to the Spring funding deadline). Printing can be done in Dudley House for free, and we wonder if AV can be secured through Harvard IT for free.

Bike Harvard: A GSAS Student Group
Requested: $450
Awarded: $382
Notes: Thank you for providing such a detailed budget, and for your strong effort to minimize expenses. The committee really appreciated this. We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle.

Science in the News
Requested: $625
Awarded: $262
Notes: Thank you for providing such a detailed budget; the committee really appreciated this. We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. We did not award any funding for events occurring in May or later in this round; please apply again in the summer round.

Harvard GSAS Graduate Consulting Club
Requested: $3,105
Awarded: $611
Notes: Thanks for providing a thorough budget; the committee really appreciated this. We could not award the total amount requested because of the number of applications we received this cycle. We did not award any funding for events proposed for May or later; please apply again in the summer round for these events.

Harvard Chinese Students and Scholars Association
Requested: $1000
Awarded: $511
Notes: The proposed Harvard China Week event sounds like an educational and fun celebration of Chinese culture. The funding committee was unable to award the full amount requested because beyond the $500 Science Center Plaza rental, it was unclear how the other half of funding would be spent. There was also a question of whether the materials that the group proposed to purchase for art events could be substituted with cheaper items.

GSAS Harvard Argentine Tango Society
Requested: $2400
Granted: $1661
Notes: We could not award the total amount requested because this was a particularly competitive cycle with many applications. The committee requests that future applications address how revenue from the dance course tuition and ticket sales for the Milonga party (as detailed in current posters on the group's web site) is factored into the budget. HATS requested $400 for the Milonga event. A poster on the group's web site says that entrance to the Milonga costs $8 for students, and the group's application says it expects 45 GSAS students to attend. That would mean that $360 in revenue is raised for the Milonga, so it is unclear why $400 from GSC is necessary. HATS also requested $2000 for their spring semester weekly dance courses, yet according to the group's web site, the cost for Harvard students is $120 to take the spring semester course series. Using the group's estimation of 40 GSAS students in attendance, the math would suggest revenue from tuition totals $4,800. It is unclear what $2,000 from GSC covers when this revenue is taken into account.

GSAS Journal of Emerging Investigators
Requested: $900
Awarded: $711
Notes: The committee thinks the Journal of Emerging Investigators provides an exciting opportunity for budding high school scientists and for graduate students to get hands-on experience in academic publishing. We could not award the total amount requested because this was a particularly competitive cycle with many applications.
EALC Social Committee
Requested: $750
Granted: $555
Notes: Thanks for your application! We could not award the full amount due to the number of applications we received this round.

Harvard Graduate Students in Linguistics
Requested: $380
Granted: $280
Notes: Thanks for your application! We could not award the full amount due to the number of applications we received this round.