

HGSA Meeting Agenda
August 28, 2017
Wilson Short 333

Melanie Reimann called the meeting to order at 11:00am, PDT.

Members Present

Taylor Hermesen, Melanie Reimann, Amanda Svehla, Nick Martin, Matthias Baudinet, Kat Cassiere, Karl Krotke-Crandall, Sarah Beth Gumm, Brian Stack, Ryan Booth, Randy Powell, Kevin Kipers, Sam Fleischer.

1. Officer's Reports

a. Chair/PhD Rep

- i. Send personal biographies and office hours to Cassandra.
- ii. Note — the professor for whom you TA cannot make you work on another of their courses. You are only responsible for the class to which you are assigned.
- iii. Mental Health — Please keep in mind that all on-campus services are also available to graduate students. Ensure your own health via proper sleeping and eating.
- iv. Important dates:
 1. Colloquium on selecting good RCI topics — 8/31, 12pm, WS 333.
 2. 9/4 — Deadline to file for payroll deduction.
 3. 9/19 — Deadline to drop classes without record; last day to apply for residency.

b. GPSA Rep

- i. Summer Travel Grant — “Summer” classification applies to all travel up to 9/8. Deadline for applying for this fund: 9/11.
- ii. Professional Development Initiative — Geared toward non-academic careers. Some symposiums are future-academic oriented.
 1. See the GPSA website.
 2. There are seven events in September alone.
- iii. “Versatile PhD Membership”
 1. See the GPSA website.
- iv. The Guide App
 1. Launched this year.
 2. Exceptionally helpful resource for incoming students. Links their classes, due dates, administrative deadlines with an app profile.
- v. New program from the Provost: “Activity Insight”
 1. New system for evaluation. Oriented toward faculty.
- vi. Library “Cuts”
 1. Administrators located an additional \$500,000 in funding to support existing collections.
 2. Cuts will still occur, but will affect fewer sources.

