



# Graduate Student Senate

**General Assembly Meeting**  
April 4, 2018

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## **Agenda**

- **Benjamin Felzer:** Faculty Committee on Student Life
- **VOTING: Amendment to Fiscal Governance**
- **Announcements**
- **Open Floor**

# **Benjamin Felzer**

Faculty Committee on Student Life

Things are changing with the introduction of a faculty senate

- The committee advises the committee on grad and undergrad student life
- Representative from each college, undergrad, grad, and deans of student life
- Improve faculty engagement with students
- Consultative role, should we be able to affect change?

What do we do?

- Blueprint Grant
- Dining with your professor

Group reports to steering committee and board of trustees

What can the committee do to engage faculty with student affairs?

Feedback?

- Advertise more to students
- Blueprint grant system works
- Informal opportunities for faculty and students to come together
- We spend alot of time with one faculty member, how can we prioritize mentorship?
- Knowing where we can go to do social events
- Showcase positive interactions with students
- Workshop for faculty on mentorship
- Blueprints may be too prescribed

- Developing policies that will elevate the institutional culture
- How much time should faculty be devoting to students. This should be part of the culture.

## Announcements

### GSS Travel Grant Fundraiser

- **When: TOMORROW, April 5, 4pm-8pm**
- **Where: 1774 Grille & Tap (605 Main St. Hellertown)**
- Mention "Lehigh's GSS Travel Grants," then 15% of the proceeds from your purchase will be donated to the GSS Travel Grant Fund!
- We supported grad students with travel grants with over \$14,000 this year, but we want to do more!
- [Click HERE for more information and to RSVP!](#)

## GSS Grad Formal

- Friday, April 13, 7-10pm
- Zoellner Center
- Tickets:
  - \$12 (\$15 at door)
  - Click on flier in Weekly Buzz
  - Also available at Packer House!



**Superstition  
Masquerade Ball**  
Friday, the 13th of April

**Grad Formal**  
7 to 10pm  
Zoellner's Gallery

QR Code for Tickets

\$12 thru April 6 on Eventbrite  
\$15 After April 6.  
Limited tickets at the door.

hors d'oeuvres  
drinks  
dancing

QR Code for Music Suggestions  
<https://tinyurl.com/LehighGSSMasqueradeSongs>

Brought to you by the  
Graduate Student  
Senate and Auxiliary  
Services

## Make a Mask for The Formal!

- Friday, April 13th 1:30-3:00pm
- Packer House
- Basic masks, hot glue, and decorations provided!
- <http://tinyurl.com/formalmask>

Make Your Own  
Mask for the  
Grad Formal!

Packer House  
Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 2018  
1:30pm-3:00pm

Sign-up here for supply ordering:  
<https://tinyurl.com/formalmask>  
Masks and decorations will be provided!



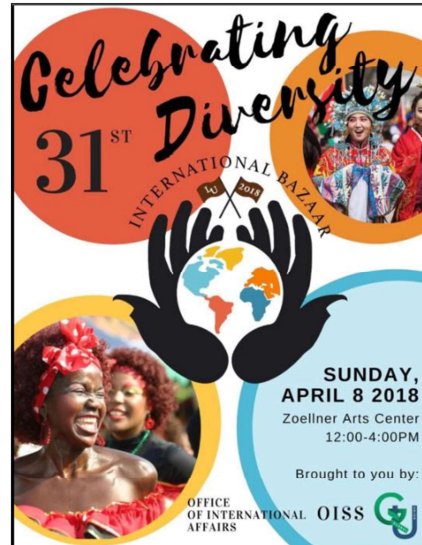
## Announcements

### 31st International Bazaar

April 8, 2018 from

12:00-4:00PM

@ Zoellner Arts Center





## Announcements

### The Deans' Graduate Student Awards Luncheon

Where: Wood Dining Room in Iacocca Hall

When: Wednesday, April 11, 2018, 12pm-1:30pm

[RSVP HERE!!!](#)

### Grad Student Appreciation Week!

Mashed potato bar, pizza taste-off,  
Paraffin hand dips, GRAD FORMAL!,  
Graduate student picnic!



**2018 Grad Student  
Appreciation Week**

<b>Mashed Potato Bar</b> (while supplies last) 5:00 to 7 PM Ground Floor, Siegel Gallery, Iacocca	<b>Monday</b> April 9
<b>Pizza Taste-Off</b> 12 Noon to 1 PM Lamberton Great Room <i>Come help us determine the Valley's best pizza!</i>	<b>Tuesday</b> April 10
<b>Deans' Awards Appreciation Luncheon</b> 12 Noon to 1:30 PM Wood Dining Room, Iacocca Hall <i>Watch for the sign on the Graduate Life Website</i>	<b>Wed.</b> April 11
<b>Paraffin Hand Dips &amp; Hand Massages</b> 12 Noon to 2:00 PM, Packer House Light refreshments provided <i>*First come, first served!</i>	<b>Thursday</b> April 12
<b>Graduate Student Formal</b> 7 to 10pm (12:00pm Tickets at Grad Life Office) Lamberton Great Room	<b>Friday</b> April 13
<b>Graduate Student Picnic</b> 12 Noon to 1:30 PM Saucun Village Apartments, Behind Building 8 <i>Brought to you by GLO and Peer Life!</i>	<b>Saturday</b> April 14

Check our website for event details brought to you by the  
Lehigh Graduate Life Office (GLO) and our partners.

610-758-4722

[gradlife.web.lehigh.edu/programs/appreciation-week](http://gradlife.web.lehigh.edu/programs/appreciation-week)  
Email: [gradlife@lehigh.edu](mailto:gradlife@lehigh.edu)

## Announcements

- **NAGPS Northeast Regional Conference - Iona Scully**
  - April 20-21st, 2018 (Fri 6:00 pm-Sat 5:00 pm)
  - University of PA in Philadelphia
  - <http://nagps.org/events/2018-northeast-regional-conference/>
- To register: <https://tinyurl.com/y8ohzylu>
- More info: <https://tinyurl.com/y8hch9vp>
  - Free registration since this is our first time joining!
  - Covers happy hour, continental breakfast and lunch; dinner covered for attendees of NAGPS registered institutions

University of PA in Philadelphia

## Announcements

### Club budgets submission

- Send required documents via email to [isc214@lehigh.edu](mailto:isc214@lehigh.edu) by the due date (04/16).
- Details sent to club officers' emails.

#### For questions:

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## **GSS Executive Board Elections**

### **Timeline:**

- 4/18: nominations closed
- 4/25 GSS Meeting: candidate speeches, voting
- 5/2: New E-Board runs meeting!

**GSS Election Guidelines:** [Click here](#)

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1qtq3HGO00k4-46EIlpZewH4xo1SDir8i>

## GSS Executive Board Elections

### Current E-Board and link to duties document:

- [President](#), Nick Ungson (ndu213)
- [Vice-President](#), Elyse Stevens (els616)
- [Secretary](#), Iiona Scully (ids214)
- [Treasurer](#), Soner Cinoglu (isc214)
- [Communications](#), Caitlin Lindley (cal416)
- [Travel Grants](#), Wyntre Stout (was214)
- [Historian](#), Audree Chase-Mayoral (amc308)

President: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1IKGgsOkATYTCZ7KqoSMYk-6C9mhLI9jd>

Vice-President:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1rHeAkB7iyfkeljh1YXCmqEJLXHI4DmjD>

Secretary: [https://drive.google.com/open?id=14oRZcsi4yQThWiZtXS\\_MJlrYfpv\\_KhC](https://drive.google.com/open?id=14oRZcsi4yQThWiZtXS_MJlrYfpv_KhC)

Treasurer: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=15WxpdyW5XKNqM442PGZXLwFHPzjEef>

Communications:

[https://drive.google.com/open?id=1IVdDXREojsXYF694O0qpKzSO4AsNuG\\_0](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1IVdDXREojsXYF694O0qpKzSO4AsNuG_0)

Travel Grants:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1UvTEXSXcuwgATqJdyuw1JtAGlzd1u3-S>

Historian:

[https://drive.google.com/open?id=1SISK4uOmXNwefD7wrmaDZFU424\\_1gji](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1SISK4uOmXNwefD7wrmaDZFU424_1gji)

More specific information is available at these links!!

## Amendment to Fiscal Governance

### IV) Travel Grants

#### A) Intent

The purpose of the Travel Grant Program shall be to assist Graduate Students in attending professional conferences. The Program is intended to cover expenses which Graduate Students would otherwise be forced to pay out-of-pocket. It is intended to supplement existing funds, not to supersede them. ~~Talk to general assembly about opening up to travel for archives, maybe only a certain amount of budget can go to it, maybe do a budget~~

#### B) Application Process

1. Verification:

The Graduate Student Senate will provide applications which must be adequately filled out and returned ~~to the Graduate Student Center or~~ to the Travel Grants Officer.

Verification procedures are indicated on the application. ~~Applicants should be warned to submit the application at least one month prior to leaving to allow for processing time. The Grant Officer will decide whether or not to accept any application submitted after the applicant leaves for his/her trip.~~

2. Qualification:

a. To qualify for a travel grant, the applicant must be from an active Graduate Unit. The student's unit must be active on both the date of application for the travel grant and during the dates of the conference. It shall be the responsibility of the student to ensure his/her unit maintains active status. All approved travel grant applications shall be contingent upon verification of active unit status during the dates of the conference.

b. The applicant must be an enrolled graduate student at Lehigh during the semester in

All in Favor: Passed

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## “Check Your Blind Spots” at Lehigh

**Wednesday, April 18, 12pm-4pm**

- UC Flag Pole
- Learn about unconscious bias through interactive videos, quizzes, etc.



*If interested in helping organize...*

- Brainstorm/planning meeting to support the event on **Thursday, April 5 at 4:00 p.m. in UC 308**

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## Open Floor

Lehigh Badminton Club- Play Wednesdays and Sundays 8-10pm Taylors Gym  
Basketball Court

In Williams Hall Global Commons at 4:10: Former PhD at Lehigh will talk about the  
food epidemic 1919

Friday at 12:30: Scientific Writing Workshop



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# **Next Meeting: April 25, 2018**

*Candidate speeches and voting!*