

Graduate Student Senate

General Assembly Meeting
September 05, 2018
Neville 001

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Agenda

- Vice President Position
- Introducing Changes to the Constitution
- Open Committee Positions
- Announcements
- Open Floor

Vice President Position: Call for Nominations

- Timeline
 - 9/5: nominations open
 - 9/12: nominations closed
 - 9/19: candidate speeches, voting

[Link to VP Position](#)

Vice President Position: Call for Nominations

- **GSS Election Committee:**

- “Election proceedings shall be governed by a volunteer Election Committee. The Election Committee shall minimally consist of a **supervisor**, an **announcer**, and **two (2) record keepers**. No member of the Election Committee shall be permitted to run for office or vote in the elections. Efforts should be made to include one graduate student from each college in the Election Committee. Graduate students do not need to be Unit Senators or Club Representatives in order to volunteer as a member of the Election Committee.”

ANY VOLUNTEERS FOR ELECTION COMMITTEE??

- Two record Keepers were selected.

Vice President Position: Call for Nominations

- To accept a nomination, the following must be sent to ingss@lehigh.edu:
 1. **Statement of Intent**
 - 500 words, describe qualifications and plans if elected
 2. **Personal Photo**
- All Candidate Intent Statements will be posted on the GSS website and on Facebook

Vice President Position: Call for Nominations

NOMINATIONS

ARE OPEN

- Bashir Sadat was nominated and that nomination was seconded.
- Can still submit nominations through ingss@lehigh.edu if interested
 - Please go ahead and nominate either yourself or someone else
 - Nominating gives you the option to run, but you still have to accept the nomination.

Potential Changes to the Constitution

- Are you the unit senator for your department or club representative?
- Changes to GLO Procedures
 - ~~“The President shall assist the Graduate Life Office in interviewing and hiring a Graduate Assistant.”~~
(Constitution, V.C.1).
- Creating an External Affairs Officer
 - “The voting membership shall consist of the **eight (8)** officers.” (Constitution, V.B.1)
 - Nominations shall be taken for the following Executive Board positions: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Communications Officer, Travel Grant Officer, Historian, and **External Affairs Officer** (Election Guidelines, Nomination Procedures, 1).
 - **External Affairs Officer:** The External Affairs Officer shall be responsible for coordinating relationships with organizations outside of Lehigh University (e.g., the National Association for Graduate and Professional Students), political advocacy at all levels of government in conjunction with Lehigh University’s Government Relations Office; informing Lehigh’s graduate student’s of policy affecting them, and issuing statements on positions of the GSS on issues of significance. The External Affairs Office shall also form a committee to assist in these duties. (Constitution, **V.C.8**).

- These will be voted on next meeting.
- Creating an external affair officer
 - Are there other examples of other organizations that this position with work with?
 - Ex: the council of graduate students
- If any students have any other concerns, please bring them up at the next GSS meeting.

Amendment to GSS Constitution

- Create New Unit: **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY DESIGN**

American Studies, History	Educational Leadership
Bio, Behavioral Neuroscience, Integrative	School Psych
Biology, Molecular	Special Ed, Elementary Ed, Secondary Ed
Chem, Biochem	Teaching and Learning, Teaching, Learning, and
EES	Technology, Instructional Tech
Environmental Policy Design	Bio and Chem Eng
English	CEE, Structural Eng
Mathematics, Statistics, Applied Mathematics Physics	Electrical and Comp Eng
Psychology	Health Care Systems, Energy Systems Eng ISE,
Sociology, PoliSci, Gender and Sexuality Studies	Manufacturing Systems
CIE	Material Science and Engineering
Counseling Psychology	Technical Entrepreneurship

Potential EP representative is here to speak. They note that:

- EP is integrative- pulls from other departments
- Research in this department is completely different
 - Work to understand policy.
- The department is growing, have ten students and will continue to grow
- We have unique concerns and would like to have a voice.

Questions from GSS:

- How big is the department? Will there always be someone interested in representing the department at GSS meetings?
 - Yes there will always be someone these students are very interested in being active.
- Is the program big enough?
 - Yes, the english department is just as small and has their own representation.

Will vote on this proposed amendment at the next meeting.

Open Committee Positions for the Fall

- **Graduate and Research Committee (2-3 members) NEED 2**
- **Education Policy for Undergraduates (2 members) NEED 1**
- University Committee on Discipline (3 members) NEED 1
- Lehigh Environmental Advisory Group (LEAG) (1 member) NEED 1
- **Faculty Committee on Student Life (1 member) NEED 1**
- Parking Appeals Committee (1 member) NEED 1

- Graduate students need a voice in these committees so please consider joining.
- If have questions about when the committees meet or what the committees do, please contact ingss@lehigh.edu

Open Committee Positions for the Fall

- Printing/Green Committee (1 member) NEED 1
- Bookstore Committee (1 member) NEED 1
- **Transportation Sustainability Committee (1 member) NEED 1**
- Leadership Awards Committee (1 member) NEED 1
- Faculty Committee on Global Affairs (1 member) NEED 1
- **Facilities Planning Committee (1 member) NEED 1**
- NAGPS Conference Committee (2 needed)
- Diversity Committee (2 Members, 3 needed)

Sign-up link:

<https://goo.gl/wH8gJB>

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- Please sign up at the link to say that you will be on a committee.

GLO Office Announcements

- Transition to Graduate School
- Fridays @ Packer House
 - Time Management
 - September 7
 - Eat, Sleep, Move
 - September 14
 - Finding your Community
 - September 21



Where: Packer House dining room

When: Every Tuesday 10am-11am during the fall and spring semesters while classes are in session



- Transition to graduate school- Fridays from 3-4pm in Packer house, please come to discuss about the transition to graduate school. There are Snacks at this event.

Career Services Announcements

FALL 2018
Career
EXPO

CENTER FOR
CAREER &
PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT

Thursday
September 13
GOODMAN CAMPUS
STABLER ARENA
3 - 7 PM New Location!

GRAD STUDENT
SHOWCASE: 1:30 - 3 PM

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THE ART OF
NETWORKING CONVERSATIONS

Presented By:

Todd Jefferies, '01, Senior Software Engineer, [Google](#)

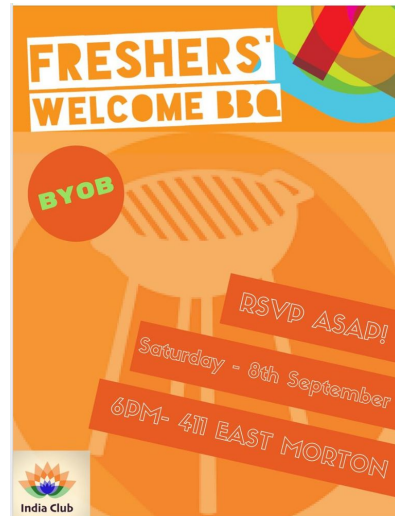
Andrew Querner, '06, Program Manager, Customer Support
Applications Team, [Google](#)

Lynn D'Angelo-Bello, Lehigh University Career Center

Wednesday, Sept. 5th | 6:30-8:00pm | Maginnis 102

Announcements

- India Club presents graduate-annual-semester-kick-off-house-lawn-party.
 - BYOB 21+ only.
 - RSVP Link:
<https://goo.gl/forms/FaucldIFqy8E2zGk2>



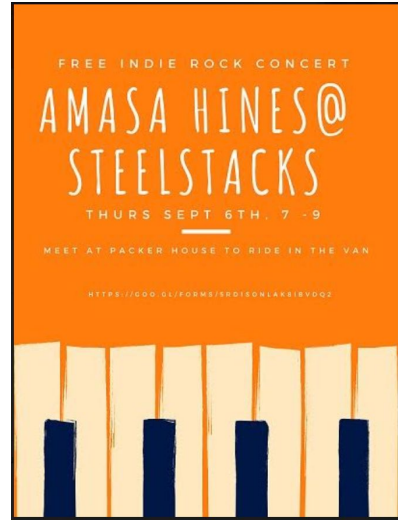
- There will be free food.

Announcements

- Amasa Hines concert @ Steelstacks
 - Thursday, 7-9pm
 - Questions? Contact Chris Woods, our new GLO Activity Guide @ cmw418.

<http://www.steelstacks.org/event/6461/amasa-hines/>
(SteelStacks site)

<https://goo.gl/forms/5rD1SOnlAk8lBvDQ2> (Sign up)



- If can take the van, will take the van.
 - Depends on the amount of people that sign up and the weather.

Announcements

- Wine & Cheese Tasting
 - Friday, Oct 5th from 7:30-9pm
 - \$5 deposit per person due to Packer House by 9/28

Sign-up at:

- <https://tinyurl.com/GSSWineCheese>
- <https://goo.gl/forms/1XmJipKf9UXsjDfV2>



Announcements

- Hawk Mountain Hike
 - September 22nd (weather permitting)
 - 10:30 am to ~4:30 pm leaving and returning from Packer House
 - Sign up here: <https://goo.gl/forms/w5IfeZOjqeTPOGvP2>



Announcements

- Brown & White BBQ
 - Tomorrow 3:30-5:00
 - Free food
 - Free Brown & White Socks!



The President's Office invites you to the

BROWN & WHITE

BBQ

Join the entire campus community as we kick-off the new year, Brown & White style!

THURSDAY
9.6.18
UC LAWN

3:30
TO
5:00

Featuring a photo booth, music provided by Spin Radio 107.1 and a chance to win pairs of tickets to see **YOUNG THE GIANT**. The Class of 2019 numbers will also be revealed on the UC hill.

We encourage guests to show their school pride by wearing Brown & White.

SPIN
RADIO
107.1
FM

FREE. Brown & White socks for faculty, staff & students (limited quantities)

Hosted by Human Resources, Student Affairs, University Communications, Development & Alumni Relations and Student Auxiliary Services and Sponsored by the Center for Career and Professional Development (CCPD).

- The Brown and White socks are Limited, so go early.
- Will also have a give away for tickets to the Young the Giant concert.

Open Floor



- WiSE- Next Tuesday, WiSE conversations hours @ Packer House, 4-5 pm
 - The topic will be: How to build fitness into our lives.
 - A person for Lehigh Athletics will be there as well
- Unit Senators- You are here to have a voice, let your departments know about what is going on and represent their views. Let them know about events as well. If things going on in your departments, please also tell us so that we could perhaps take action.
- Junior Robson- Welcome new graduate students. We students should feel supported from the GLO office and we should also feel free to support them. We should also feel open to communicate and create a community amongst ourselves as graduate students. I'm thinking about how to make our clubs thrive so that we can show that we as graduate for students should receive funding.
 - I am starting something new: an Incubator- to help either create new clubs and submit forms to create those funds, but also helping current clubs stay alive and active. Please contact me to do this.
 - One club I'm am thinking of starting is **Video Game club**.
 - Another club that we are thinking of creating is **Graduate Housing Club** to help figure out how to make graduate housing more equitable
 - Will potentially create an internal GSS committee to try and further this process.
- English Department is putting on a series of events called Frankenreads, because the book is turning 200.
 - Will have book conversations, movie screenings, will have these around the community.
 - The large event will occur October 31st, where people can sign up to read Frankenstein out loud in 10 minute increments.
 - Costumes for this event are encouraged, and it will be held at the public library.
 - More information about this to come.



Next Meeting:

September 19, 2018
VP Elections!



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We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting :)