

Graduate Student Senate

General Assembly Meeting

August 5, 2020

<https://lehigh.zoom.us/j/91392754216>



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Agenda

- Yvonne Lee, Director of Graduate Writing Support
- Announcements
- Open Floor




Yvonne Lee



Graduate Writing Needs Assessment Survey

The Graduate Writing Support Program promises you, the graduate student writers of Lehigh University, access to thoughtful programming and activities that will promote your growth as academic writers.

We have devised a survey that will help provide the new Director of Graduate Writing Support a clearer picture of the writing support systems already in place for graduate students and to help her plan activities and programs that may be needed or desired. Thus, if you could please take a few moments to complete this survey, it would be greatly appreciated.



You can complete the survey via the link below or via the link sent to your email with the Letter of Introduction from the Director. Please only take the survey one time. We look forward to hearing what you have to say!

Survey Link: https://lehigh.edu/qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eKgeGLJd3M6WKVD
Survey closes Monday, August 16.

<https://tinyurl.com/graduatewritingsupport>

Dr. Yvonne Lee

- Graduate Writing Support Spaces under construction in Packer House
- Services offered will also include workshops, writing retreats, writing workshops
- Writing consultants - two advanced graduate students will be hired to do this work
- Writing groups - 4-5 graduate students who share work and receive feedback from each other
- Graduate needs assessment survey - specifically geared to graduate students
 - What is needed to support graduate writers?
 - What would we like to see?
- Faculty and staff also got a version of this survey

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Information Pages for Graduate Students

Graduate Life Office Homepage:

<https://gradlife.web.lehigh.edu/>

Graduate Student COVID-19 Information Page:

<https://www.lehigh.edu/~inprv/organization/graduate>

Lehigh COVID-19 Information Center:

<https://coronavirus.lehigh.edu/>

Committee Positions

Graduate and Research Committee - Need 1

University Committee on Discipline - Need 2-4

Faculty Committee on Student Life - Need 1

University Appeals Committee - Need 1-2

Leadership Awards Committee - Need 1

Faculty Committee on Facilities Planning - Need 1

Library Users Committee - Need 1

Visiting Lecturers Committee - Need 1

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Internal Committees

GSS DI&E Committee

Mental Health/Graduate Wellness Committee

External Affairs Committee

GSS LUGS 5k Committee

DI&E Committee will likely be looking for a few new committee members in the fall
Mental Health and Graduate Wellness committee - will be at September meeting
External Affairs Committee

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Covid guidelines for graduate students

<https://tinyurl.com/lehighcovidguidelinesforgrads>

Mental Health - Self-Care



<https://tinyurl.com/LehighSelfCare>

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1pdoAf-MkxeOB8pAM4qGge4TagEryIDXJzjiaoDCM7pY/edit?usp=sharing>

- Natania and Sara have put together this self care guide.

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Mental Health Resources

Counseling Center access is still available via Zoom or phone

After hours counselor always available.

Dial **(610)758-3880**, select “**0**” on the keypad

Therapists in the Lehigh Valley Database

Put together by grad student Natania Lipp

Keep up to date:

<https://studentaffairs.lehigh.edu/content/covid-19-counseling-psychological-services-updates>

Online Support and Connection

Feeling overwhelmed?
Wanting to connect?

JOIN A UCPS VIRTUAL GROUP WORKSHOP

Live Better, Stress Less

Counselor facilitated groups focused on distress management with opportunities to talk about, share coping efforts, and gain support around how students are being affected and adjusting to COVID-19 and related stress.

HOW TO GET CONNECTED:

Call UCPS (610-758-3880) or email incso@lehigh.edu for workshop times and to be provided with the Zoom link!



HOME AWAY

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT SPACE



"HOME AWAY" IS A ZOOM SPACE FOR SUPPORT AROUND THE FEELINGS, EXPERIENCES, AND WORRIES OF SHELTERING FAR FROM HOME DURING COVID-19. THE DISCUSSION SPACE IS FACILITATED BY PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AT LEHIGH AND THE HOPE IS TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY CONNECTION AND EXPLORATION OF WAYS TO COPE WITH THIS. CONTACT THE COUNSELING CENTER FOR ZOOM LINK.

MONDAYS 3:30 PM

P. (610) 753-1810
E. incso@lehigh.edu



Virtual Pride Center Lounge

Zooming 24/7

Staffed
M-F
2pm to 4pm
EST

Feel free to stop by anytime and
connect as community

go.lehigh.edu/virtualpridecenterlounge

SUMMER IN THE PRIDE CENTER

You, our community mean everything to us. Here are some ways we can connect this summer.

- Wednesday's at 12noon (edt)**
Join Chelsea, Sam & Me for lunch in the Virtual Lounge
go.lehigh.edu/virtualpridecenterlounge
- Meet 1 on 1 with a PC staff member**
Schedule:
pridecenter.youcanbelieve@lehigh.edu
- Virtual Lounge Open 24/7**
go.lehigh.edu/virtualpridecenterlounge
- Virtual Student Support Spaces/
TGHC & HFFG**
TGHC (trans and gender non-conforming)
Thursday at 6pm EST
email: karol@lehigh.edu or hovee@lehigh.edu
HFFG (bis, pan, trans, gender queer)
Monday at 6pm EST
email: kawon@lehigh.edu for more info.

Questions, please email pridecenter@lehigh.edu

All of these resources are in the GLO newsletter



FEELING ISOLATED?

Lehigh Lookout

Learning To Connect

This 60-minute social interaction space will focus on building deeper and more meaningful connections—with yourself and with others. If you're open to exploring your relationships to self and others, this will be an opportunity to experiment with vulnerability in a compassionate environment. When you make space for curiosity, you may be surprised by the outcome.

Wednesdays at 3:30pm EDT. [Click here to sign up.](#)



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COFFEE BREAK

This 60-minute space is for anyone interested in taking a break, getting together, saying hello, updating each other on your current circumstances, talking about how you are negotiating life at this time and what you are doing to make it all work. Grab your mug and come fill your cup!

Thursdays at 3:30pm EDT. [Click here](#) to sign up.

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Live Better with Stress

This 60-minute workshop focuses on distress management with opportunities to talk about challenges, share coping efforts, and gain support in adjusting to COVID-19 and related stressors.

Tuesdays at 1:30pm EDT. [Click here](#) to sign up.

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Open Enrollment Period is here!

**Please make sure that you don't let your
current insurance gap!**

https://www.universityhealthplans.com/letters/letter.cgi?group_id=4

Are you a TA?

Preparing for Fall 2020: Workshops

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The workshops described on this page are designed to help Lehigh faculty and TAs as they undertake course development work for Fall 2020. All Lehigh faculty, instructional staff, and teaching assistants are welcome to attend.

Each workshop will offer resources to pre-read/pre-watch and a Zoom session that offers

- a brief overview of the topic,
- brief presentations and guidance from faculty peers and CITL staff,
- time for Q&A,
- transition at 60 minutes for those who need to leave after the hour, and
- 30 minutes of guided, practical work on the topic, designed to help you in your individual course development work.

These workshops were developed by the Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning (CITL) and the Faculty Senate Working Group on Online Teaching and Online Curriculum, in coordination with the Provost's and College Deans' Offices.

They are supplemental to

- the Preparing to Teach in Fall 2020 guidelines,
- the Step-by-step Guide to Preparing to Teach A Blended or Fully Online Course, which instructors are encouraged to continue to use at their own pace,
- the LTS Teaching and Learning Searchable Knowledge Base, where you can find answers to a broad range of questions,
- the CITL Teaching Resources Page,
- recordings of past workshops on related topics, and
- workshops already underway in the College of Education, College of Business, and College of Health.

Additional information about these workshops, including descriptions, pre-reads, and registration will be added to the week-by-week schedule at the bottom of this page.

Registration is open for the first two weeks; registration links for weeks 3-5 will be added as the schedule is finalized.

<https://lts.lehigh.edu/preparing-fall-2020-workshops>

Access the Career Center Virtually



Summer Career Coaching Appointments Available

Meet with your career coach, Ali Erk via Zoom or phone for in depth career support

Three Types:
Explore (30 minutes)
Advanced Career Prep (30 minutes)
Mock Interview (60 minutes)

Sign up on Handshake!
lehigh.joinhandshake.com



The Hire-a-Grad Summer Initiative is underway!

- Keep checking on handshake for campus jobs just for grads. lehigh.joinhandshake.com
- More jobs will be added over the next couple of weeks.
- Positions are available in all the colleges, minimum \$15/hr.
- All positions are projects that can be done remotely.

Brought to you by the Provost Office, CAS, OIA and GLO

More Info:

<https://careercenter.lehigh.edu/content/working-virtually-career-center>

Aly Erk (Career Center):

- There are resources on Handshake, including COVID-19 remote opportunities

CCPD + OISS PRESENTS

GROW YOUR GLOBAL NETWORK

This workshop will focus on strategies for virtual networking to leverage your existing connections, build new connections, and communicate effectively to develop a global network.

Thursday, August 6th from 9 am - 10 am EST

REGISTER HERE

[.HTTPS://LEHIGH.JOINHANDSHAKE.COM/EVENTS/528319](https://lehigh.joinhandshake.com/events/528319)

GRADUATE STUDENT CAREER DEVELOPMENT BOOTCAMP

Speed Skill Sessions

For Career Success

August 13th 2020 | 9:00 am - 12 pm

REGISTRATION IS LIMITED AND REQUIRED

SIGN UP: lehigh.joinhandshake.com

ACCESS VIA ZOOM



Session Topics:

- Building a professional network
- Preparing for a job search
- Interviewing for success
- Evaluating and negotiating a job offer

career ready = life ready
Center for Career & Professional Development

Exclusively for grad students

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Suggestion/Concern Form

Send the E-Board feedback

What issues are you facing as a grad?

Submissions can be anonymous

<https://bitly.com/GSSsuggest>

<https://forms.gle/H45JrxGbjXb45qdh7>



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Open Floor



Announcement from Kathleen:

- Still accepting applications from the Creative Scholarship Institute (through the end of July)
 - This summer it will be shortened (3 days), plus regular special interest topics through the course of the year
 - Specifically crafted for doctoral students who are in the middle of their program
- This is an opportunity to re-center your values and purpose, as well as engage in creative professional development

Yvonne Lee (yrl210) - new member of GLO, supporting graduate student writing

- Email her with ideas and feedback!

COVID Compliance Panel:

- Looking for 4 graduate students to serve on a panel
 - Email from Katherine Lavinder will happen in the next week which will include a social contract to be responsible for the health of the entire community
 - Panel of undergrads, grads, faculty, and staff, for people who are defiantly non-compliant
 - Don't anticipate this being needed very often

LTS - training for graduate students who are TAs

- Identify some initial recordings and documents

- New TA ambassadors (5-6) to be available for a couple of Zoom sessions on Wednesday, August 19th
 - How did people use virtual technology effectively?
 - Email Kathleen Hutnik (kaha@lehigh.edu) if interested

Budget committee met yesterday and came to a consensus

- Able to give clubs almost 40% more than last year

The background of the entire page is a faded, high-angle view of a large, ornate stained glass dome. The dome features intricate geometric patterns and colorful designs in shades of blue, red, yellow, and green, set against a light background. The structure of the dome is visible as a series of dark lines radiating from the center.

Next Meeting:
September 2, 12:10-1pm

<https://lehigh.zoom.us/j/91392754216>

A set of three overlapping social media icons: a blue Facebook 'f' logo, a blue and white Twitter bird logo, and a blue and white Instagram camera logo. The text '@LehighGSSJ' is overlaid on the icons in white.

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