Welcome!

- Introduction of new faces
- Quorum check
- Approval of July GCM Minutes
GSC COMMITTEE UPDATES
ACADEMICS, RESEARCH, AND CAREERS

Erik Tillman and Sunandini Chopra
Chairs
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Upcoming ARC events

• Professional development grant program is live (deadline extended through 8/8)

• “Nuts and Bolts of Academic Search” Panel is 3pm, Wed 8/10 in 32-123 (one week from today)
  • trying to get different disciplines and different stages of career—still seeking panelists!

• “Alternative Careers for PhDs and Postdocs” Panel is 5:30pm, Monday 9/19 in 32-123
Ongoing ARC projects

• Working with ODGE to recirculate best practices in graduate advising to both incoming and returning grad students (digital and paper)

• Organizing leadership workshops for graduate students in collaboration with MIT-Gordon Leadership Program

• Ensure programming interests students in all MIT schools and departments

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Next ARC meeting: Wed, 8/10 @ 6pm in 50-220
Summer 2016

Harbor Islands
July 9th

Upcoming: Six Flags NE
Sat. August 20th

Next AC Meeting: Monday, August 24th @ 6 p.m.

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Housing and Community Affairs

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HCA Co-Chairs
Housing and Campus Affairs (HCA)

- Proud to introduce Sarah Shapiro as our new HCA Co-Chair!
- Costco Shuttles – Arranging to have them start in September
- Paid Parental Leave – On hold again from administration as they update their employee parental leave policy

Come to the next HCA meeting on August 9th at 5:30 p.m.

- Interested in…
  - Best food in the GSC
  - Mental Health topics
  - Improving transportation at MIT
  - Housing quality and affordability
  - Family and childcare
July Activities

• Distribution of statements to legislators in support of the Massachusetts Equal Pay bill (which passed!).

• Travel preparation
  • Daniel and Peter are on the flight back from the NAGPS Leadership Summit right now!

• Updates to the Legislative Platform
  • Expanded language on quality of life around campus
  • Possible additions on government transparency and privacy rights

• Steady pace of legislative research and updates
Upcoming Activities

• Voter Registration and Recruitment at Orientation

• Legislative Action Days September 10 – 13
  • Washington, D.C.

• Ivy+ Conference September 30 – October 2
  • Brown University, Providence, RI

• NAGPS National Conference November 3 – 6
  • Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY
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MUDDY CHARLES PUB
Productive Summer for the Board

• Introducing Muddy Orientation week (9/12-16)
  Muddy Monday, Weekly Wednesday and and and…

• New Board of Advisors

• How do we make a Muddy Endowment?

• Join and Run a small company!

  Please email: gsc-muddy-chair@mit.edu
ORIENTATION COMMITTEE

Jimmy Kaczmarek and Sarah Goodman
August 3, 2016
Orientation Committee Update

• Orientation: August 29 – Sept. 14
  • Official schedule released
• OC Meeting Recap (7/20):
  • Discussed logistics for reserving space, ordering food, etc.
• Orientation Media and Giveaways
  • Website will be live soon
  • Gift (reusable bag) has been ordered
  • T-shirts underway; men’s and women’s sizes this year
• Volunteer Day Rescheduling
• Next OC Meeting: August 9, 7 – 8 PM (Location TBA)
• Getting into final stages of event planning!
We (Still) Need Your Help!

- We need volunteers to talk up GSC during departmental orientation sessions
  - Talk about what GSC does/opportunities to be involved
  - Emphasis on GSC Open House: Sept. 7th, 6-8 PM, Morss Hall
- Be on the look out for opportunities to volunteer during events
  - Currently need significant help for ISO events, contact atolaoy@mit.edu or riechman@mit.edu.

Email gsc-oc@mit.edu for volunteer opportunities!
AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT!

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Breakout sessions for rep feedback

Why are we doing this?

• Get broader feedback from Council reps on relevant topics
• Try a new GCM format that we hope will be more engaging

How does this work??

• Discussion: 15 min
• Recap: 10 min
#1: Graduate student spaces on campus

- Creating more graduate student spaces is one of our priorities with the new VP for Student Life.
- We want your input on what graduate student spaces should look like.

Discussion leaders: Ryan, Sarah S, Orpheus
#2: Five schools collaboration

- Building connections between the five schools at MIT has been a theme around campus for the past couple years (i.e. OneMIT initiative).
- What does this mean for graduate students? What can the GSC do to promote fruitful collaboration between the five schools?

Discussion leaders: Sarah G, Erik
#3: Outreach to constituents during Orientation

- Orientation is an opportunity to connect incoming students with the GSC
- What would be the best way to reach out to your constituents?

Discussion leaders: Jimmy, Arolyn, Zsigi
OFFICER UPDATES
Nominations Board Update

- Nominations Board is mostly complete!
  - Emails out to committee chairs with recommended graduate students
  - Students should be hearing from committees in the next week or two
  - CJAC rankings will be sent out by end of the week to committee
- Next up: Orientation for Committee Representatives in September
Treasurer Updates

GSC Treasurer, Lisa Guay
Funding Update

- The GSC has awarded $92,218.85 to students this year
  - Funding Board: $51,442.00
  - Student Group Initial Funding: $750.00
  - Diversity Fund: $1,100.00
  - Family Programming Fund: $2,150.00
  - Sustainability Fund: $1,750.00
  - Public Service Fund: $2,213.20
  - Athletics & Performance Grants: $1,438.65
  - Travel Grants: $18,475.00
  - Orientation Dorm Events Fund: $12,900.00
Apply for the Funding Board Task Force!

• Purpose: Improve the way GSC distributes nearly $350,000 to students each year

  • Application now up, deadline August 8th
  • Timeline: mid-August until October GCM
  • Please apply and forward to your constituents
  • Contact gsc-fbtf@mit.edu with questions and comments
JOIN US AT THE MUDDY!

Follow Zsigi and Jimmy
Breakout session #1: Graduate student spaces on campus
Breakout session #2: Five Schools collaboration
Breakout session #3: Outreach to constituents during Orientation