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Fellowship Courses Re-Explained!

By Erica Keenan

Previously, if you were interested in the arts or “Masterpieces of Modern Fiction,” you had to explore this subject on your own or perhaps sneak into the undergraduate class. However, The School of Graduate Studies has developed the Fellowship program to diversify the graduate education. This means Graduate students may now take coursework in the School of Arts and Sciences (i.e. undergraduate classes) at no cost to students or their advisors. Courses in all other schools are not included in this program, which means you can’t get an MBA just yet. In fact, these classes cannot be used toward a degree. Also not included is coursework related to your field of study. However, do not register and not show up as these courses count toward your cumulative GPA but not your degree program GPA. Permission from the instructor—and your advisor—is required. Remember to remind your advisor that this will not affect your productivity and is no cost to them. More information—and a registration form—are available at http://www.case.edu/provost/gradstudies
The Verhosek fund was established in 1997 by the GSS to recognize the great service of the then Assistant Dean Edward Verhosek. Every year the GSS allocates around $11,000 from their budget to the V-fund endowment. The V-fund is awarded to Graduate students to assist them in attending conferences. Graduate students needed funding to be able to attend conferences, that they are presenting at, can apply for up to $250 to attend that conference. Application material can be found at http://gss.case.edu/resources/vfund.php

Eligibility Requirements:
- Applicant must be enrolled in the School of Graduate Studies as full or part-time, degree-seeking students.
- Applicant must have completed at least 12 credit hours of graduate level course.
- Applicant must be a presenter at a conference to be eligible to receive up to $200 (lifetime) for incidentals.
- Application must include a copy of the conference confirmation of acceptance for presentation (oral/poster).
- Applicant can also request up to $50 for thesis/dissertation binding.

Restrictions
- One grant application per student (per semester) with a lifetime maximum of $250 to any student.
- No grants will be awarded to pay for tuition, fees, fines or professional society memberships.
- No grants will be awarded for attending a conference without giving an oral or poster presentation.
What has the GSS done for me lately?

By Heather Mason-Suares

The Graduate Student Senate (GSS) is technically the student government for graduate students of all disciplines at Case Western Reserve University. It is the reason we all pay a student activity fee, which is their source of funding. In the past, rumors have flown that the GSS never really accomplished much besides eating a lot of pizza. Under direction of the past President Kevin Speer, the GSS has proven that rumor to be false. This year President James Harris plans to exceed the goals set forth by the last few years.…

So you ask what exactly has the GSS done for you lately???

• Pressured the administration to roll the IT fee into tuition starting in ’09‐'10
• Created a Mentoring Handbook for Faculty
• Obtained an optional low cost RTA pass for all students
• Urged the President Snyder to endorse sustainable practices.
• Held Happy hours and BBQs for Graduate students
• Held Professional Development Events
• Held Financial Educational Events
• Obtained low-cost Indians Tickets for students
• Awarded the V-Fund (see adjacent article)
• Obtained Fellowship courses (see adjacent article)
• Had the One-to-One open its doors, for free, to students during the month of July when the Veale was closed
• Obtained Vision discounts as apart of the Health Care

The future ambitions of the GSS:

• Created a Mentoring Handbook for Graduate Students
• Get Parking to be billed monthly
• Have more interaction among Graduate Students and Professional Students
• Have Veale open longer hours during the summer
• Determine if student can get a dental plan
• Hold Open Forums on many topics Graduate Students are concerned about so you can directly tell the administrative personnel your concerns
• All while upholding past events
So why should you care, besides the fact you give them their $47,000 budget and should make sure that it gets used for things that will benefit you during your graduate tenure. With a budget like that more things could be accomplished if more students were willing to get involved. So show up to a meeting, if you like what you see join a committee or become a representative. If not at least you will get some really yummy pizza out of the deal. Check out gss.case.edu for more information.

Committees:

• The Activities Committee
  o Professional Development Subcommittee
• The Diekhoff Award Committee
• The Organizations & Allocations Committee
  o V-Fund Subcommittee
• The Mentoring Committee
• Ad-hoc Committees include:
  o Transportation
  o Health Care

Representatives needed from the Biomedical Graduate Students:

• Anatomy
• Anesthesiologist Assistant
• Biomedical Sciences Training Program (BSTP)
• Cell Biology
• Clinical Research Scholars
• Environmental Health Sciences
• Epidemiology & Biostatistics
• Nutrition