Council of Graduate Students
Graduate Academic Conference

Call for Abstracts

The Council of Graduate Students (COGS) at Michigan State University is proud to announce its Seventh Annual Graduate Academic Conference (GAC), taking place on February 27, 2015. The GAC is open to Graduate and Professional students of ALL academic fields with the purpose in mind of cultivating connections within and across disciplines.

We are excited to announce that Dr. Brian Luke Seaward will be our Keynote Speaker. Dr. Seaward is internationally renowned for his expertise in the areas of stress management, mind-body-spirit healing, and health promotion, which makes him a unique fit within COGS’s initiative to advocate for strong mental and overall health for graduate and professional students.

Presenters may choose to participate in:
- Three-minute dissertation competition
- Ten-minute themed research presentations
- Poster presentations

Abstracts must be no more than 300 words and should be submitted by Friday, December 5, 2014. For more information on the presentation types and registration, please visit our website at http://cogs.msu.edu/GAC/index.html.

COGS Volunteer Night at MSU Student Food Bank

Sign up to volunteer at the MSU Food bank on Wednesday, Nov. 19 from 5:00pm-7:45pm.

Volunteers must be 18 or older and guest volunteers are permitted. Volunteers will help with set-up, filling orders, packaging food and final clean-up of the cafeteria.

To sign up or if you have any questions regarding MSU food bank, please contact COGS VP External Affairs Mandie at maxwe118@msu.edu.
Attempt to outsmart your peers
Network across disciplines
Meet new friends

MSU Graduate and Professional Student Trivia Nights!

COGS Upcoming Events

Trivia Night
TUESDAY, NOV. 11 @ 6:00PM • Dublin Square
Trivia Night is FREE for all Graduate and Professional Students! No registration required. Winning team takes home PRIZES!
FREE Appetizers while you play!
November Trivia Night is Cospnsored By:
Graduate Student Life and Wellness
Graduate Women in Science
College of Osteopathic Medicine—Student Government Association

Graduate Student Leadership Institute 2014
Leadership Resiliency: Leadership for the Long Haul
SATURDAY, NOV. 15 • 8:30AM—4:00PM • Brody Neighborhood Engagement Center, Brody Auditorium
If you would like to learn more about resiliency, develop your skills as a leader, and understand how resiliency can support your strengths; register for the 2014 Graduate Student Leadership Institute. The program features university leaders from across the MSU community that will inspire, teach, and develop your personal strengths, resiliency skills, and leadership competencies for the “doing” of leadership in your various rolls as a successful graduate student.
Graduate students from all academic programs are encouraged to register.
Registration Fee: $10 • More information: careersuccess.msu.edu/gsli • To register: grad.msu.edu/workshopregfee/

COGS Grants Available and Upcoming Deadlines

COGS Disciplinary Leadership Award
In 2010, the MSU Council of Graduate Students (COGS) established an endowment to recognize disciplinary leadership by graduate and grad-professional students. The Graduate School provides additional funds (2011-2015) to increase the number of awards as this initiative begins. Graduate students regularly (not provisionally or lifelong) enrolled in a graduate or grad-professional program at MSU and who are in good standing in their programs may apply for the COGS Disciplinary Leadership Award.
APPLICATIONS ARE DUE ELECTRONICALLY ONLY by email to: gradschool@grd.msu.edu BY NOVEMBER 26, 2014. Accepting this award may affect any federal loans that you have.

Fall 2014 Application online HERE

Graduate Student Organization Event Funding
• Fall applications are being accepted now for events happening anytime in Fall Semester
• Funding is on a first come, first served basis
• Applications are due to the COGS office by 5pm on 10/29/14 to be considered for funding at our 11/12 full council meeting.
• Up to $1500.00 is available to GSO’s annually as funds allow

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YouVote
For information on the upcoming elections join the #SpartansVote community on social media!
Twitter: @MSUyouvote
Facebook: ow.ly/CTZcD
Calendar: ow.ly/CTZcE
Instagram: @MSUyouvote

And don’t forget to vote on November 4th!
Find your polling location here: vote.michigan.gov/mvic/

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