

1 **RESOLUTION 1920-AU-007**

2 **A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE COUNCIL OF GRADUATE STUDENTS SUPPORT FOR INCREASED**
3 **GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS AND CALLING UPON THE**
4 **UNIVERSITY TO ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT INCREASED DEMAND**

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6 Sponsor: Executive Committee

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8 WHEREAS, the Council of Graduate Students is vested with authority to voice graduate student concerns and needs to the
9 University; and

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11 WHEREAS, the Edward J. Ray Travel Award for Scholarship and Service was created to support graduate students in the
12 pursuit of their scholarly goals by providing financial aid to attend when conferences to present original research; and

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14 WHEREAS, the Career Development Grant was created to encourage and support graduate students as they prepare for
15 placement in their chosen field of study by helping to subsidize the cost of professional and career development activities;
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18 WHEREAS, the Global Gateway Graduate Student Research Abroad Grant was created to encourage and promote the
19 professional and academic development of graduate researchers by providing financial support that allows graduate
20 students to undertake thesis or dissertation research abroad; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Ray Travel Award, Career Development Grant, and Global Gateway Grant create positive benefits for
23 the graduate student population as a whole by promoting student's academic success, preparedness for the job market, and
24 access to critical professional opportunities, and encouraging outstanding student scholarship; and

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26 WHEREAS, current funding mechanisms and sources for the Council of Graduate Students has place the future of these
27 grants into questions; and

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29 WHEREAS, the Council of Graduate Students currently allocates \$29,000; to these grant programs which accounts for
30 approximately 35 percent of the Council's annual student activity fee budget; and

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32 WHEREAS, the Office of Academic Affairs currently provides \$35,000 annually to support the Ray Travel Award and
33 the Office of International Affairs provides \$10,000 annually to support the Global Gateway Grant; and

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35 WHEREAS, other graduate student concerns, programming, and administrative needs have demanded more funding from
36 the Council of Graduate Students than in prior years, placing a constraint on the Council's ability to add additional funds
37 to the grant programs; and

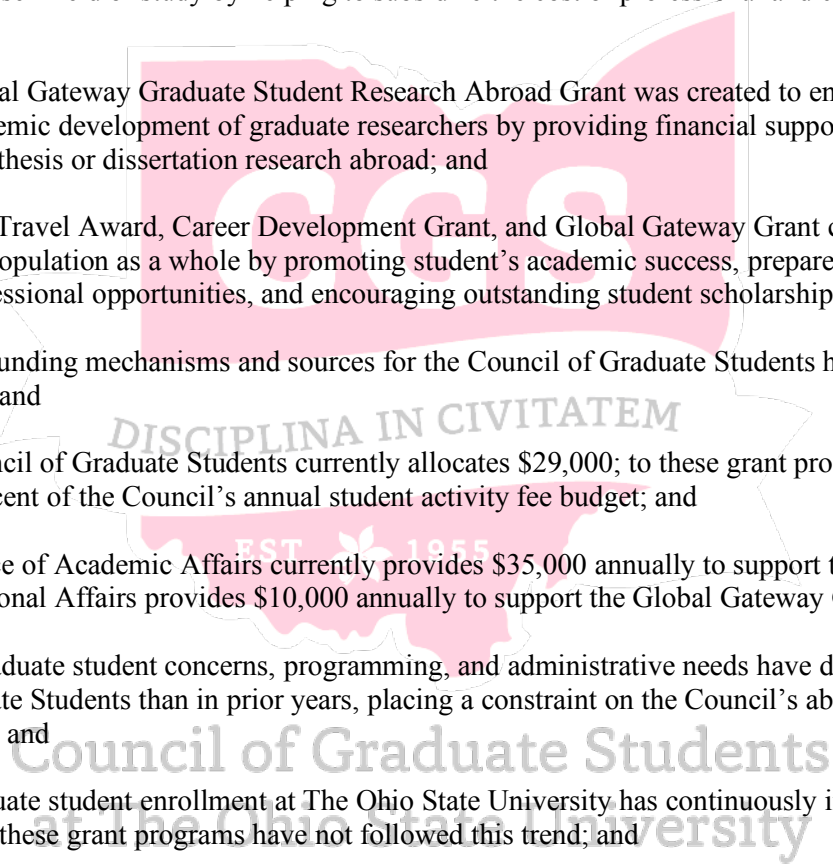
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39 WHEREAS, the graduate student enrollment at The Ohio State University has continuously increased over the past five
40 years and funding for these grant programs have not followed this trend; and

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42 WHEREAS, as it currently stands, the Council of Graduate Students is only funding grant applicants at a rate of 20.5
43 percent for the Ray Travel Award, 25 percent for the Career Development Grant, and 32 percent for the Global Gateway
44 Grant; and

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46 WHEREAS, an educated, experienced, and well-rounded workforce is critical to the success of Ohio's economy and the
47 creditability and reputation of The Ohio State University.

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49 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Graduate Students officially supports an increase in allocated
50 funding for graduate student grant opportunities from the university,

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52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of Graduate Students encourages the university to explore opportunities
53 and funding sources to allocate additional funding to the Council of Graduate Students to administer its current grants
54 programs at higher acceptance rates,
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56 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to The Ohio State University
57 President Michael V. Drake, Executive Vice President and Provost Bruce McPheron, Vice Provost for Graduate
58 Studies and Dean of the Graduate School Alicia Bertone, Vice Provost for Global Strategies and International
59 Affairs, Gil Lutz, Vice Provost for Academic Program Randy Smith, Senior Vice President for Research Morley
60 Stone, Interim Vice President for Student Life Molly Ranz Calhoun, Incoming Vice President for Student Life
61 Melissa Shivers, Senior Vice Provost Kay Wolf, the University Senior Management Council, and Senate Fiscal
62 Chair Brian Turner.

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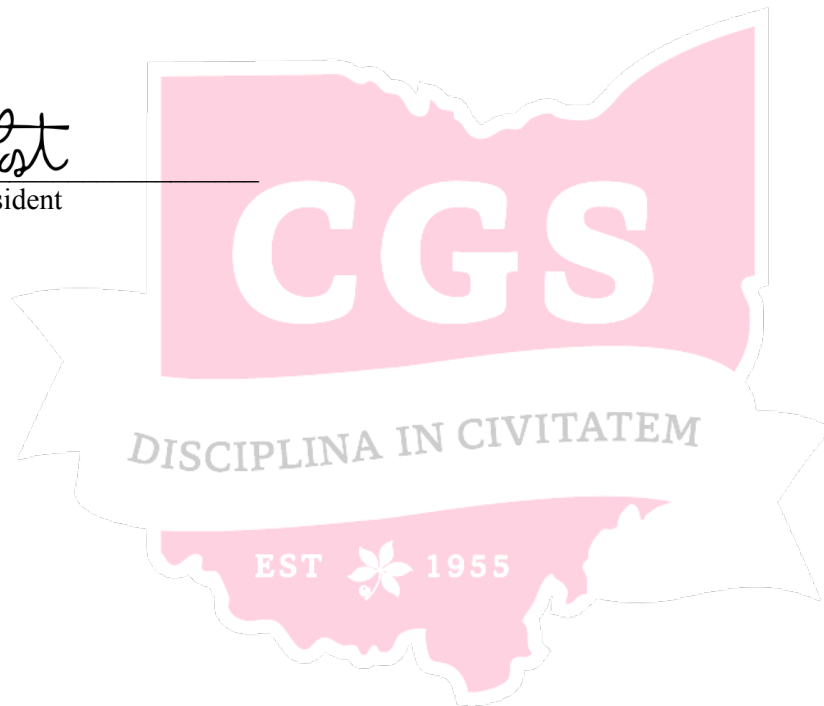
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