



Each week the Council of Graduate Students at The Ohio State University sends out special announcements to its constituents. We ask for your cooperation in spreading the word about what we're doing. Please forward this e-mail on to your department, co-workers, friends, even your family!

Thank you.

Allie Sturm,
Secretary,
Council of Graduate Students

Stand Up to the Recent Vandalism at The Ohio State University

We are attempting to build a dialogue on the campus of The Ohio State University in a response to racially motivated issues that have emerged on our campus. We want our University to become a space that includes all members of its student body regardless of race, gender, sexuality, religion, and/or sexual identity. Please support our efforts to build a campus of allies that stands up for EVERYONE's rights. We need more than tolerance. We will not be intimidated by these intentional and very regular acts of violence against many of us on this campus.

Sign the petition: <http://www.thepetitionsite.com/948/827/720/response-to-frank-hale-black-cultural-center-vandalism-at-the-ohio-state-university/>

Nominations are now open for CGS Spring Elections!

Join one of the premier organizations on campus, the Council of Graduate Students. CGS is your student government. CGS advocates for the continual improvement of graduate student experiences by ensuring that student voices are heard at The Ohio State University and beyond. Each Spring, we elect Delegates, Executive Officers and University Senators. Be apart of the change you want at Ohio State!

DELEGATE ELECTIONS

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CGS UNIVERSITY SENATOR ELECTIONS

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NOT SURE ABOUT THESE, BUT YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE INVOLVED?

Email the Vice President

cochran.291@osu.edu

More Information

<http://cgs.osu.edu>

CGS Annual Awards

CGS Recognizes students, staff, and faculty that have contributed to the council and the university through various awards. These are given annually during the Graduate School Awards reception and CGS's end-of-year award ceremony.

Make your nomination today!

- James M. Siddens Award for Distinguished Faculty Advising
- Larry M. Lewellen Award for Distinguished Service
- Delegate Award For Exceptional Service
- Committee Chair Award for Excellence

<http://go.osu.edu/2012awardnominations>

Delegate Departmental Outreach Program

Delegates may request funds from CGS in order to host events within their constituent departments. In order to do so, Delegate must fill out the Delegate Funding Request attached to this blog post. Following the event, Delegates must distribute a survey which will also help track attendance at those events. The survey is also attached here.

<http://go.osu.edu/delegatefundrequest>

Mark Your Calendars for the 2nd Annual Sustainability Summit!

The 2nd Annual Sustainability Summit is scheduled for **Wednesday April 18th, 2012 from 5:00-7:00pm in the Ohio Union Great Hall Meeting Room. "A Changing Climate at OSU and Beyond"**: Join us for an engaging evening with **keynote speaker David Orr**, Aparna Dial, Jason Box, and Olga Ovchinnikova to discuss the changing climate at OSU and beyond from their unique perspectives. Food and a networking opportunity will follow the event. This event is brought to you by the Council of Graduate Students, the Inter-Professional Council, the Undergraduate Student Government, and the Office of Student Life.

Contact Lauren Kleinman with questions about the event at lauren.kleinman@osumc.edu. To reserve a table to promote your sustainability-related student organization, please contact Adam Sauer at sauer.93@buckeyemail.osu.edu. Online registration for the event is available at <http://ucat.osu.edu/davidorr/>.

9th Annual Russell Klein Nutrition Research Symposium

The Graduate Society for Nutritional Sciences is pleased to invite you to the **9th Annual Russell Klein Nutrition Research Symposium** on **Friday June 1, 2012** from 9:00 to 4:15 pm in the Biomedical Research Tower, 1st floor. This year's symposium will be feature keynote speaker **Randy L. Jirtle, PhD** from Duke University Medical Center. Please mark your calendars and contact Erin Lombardo at lombardo.45@osu.edu if you are interested in receiving the Call for Abstracts via email.

"I Am a Woman and a Sister: Interracial Cooperation, Peace Activism and Human Rights"

The Arts and Humanities Diversity Enhancement Program (DEP) Research Working Group invites you to discuss a paper by Tiyi M. Morris, Assistant Professor, Department of African American & African Studies "I Am a Woman and a Sister: Interracial Cooperation, Peace Activism and Human Rights." **When: Wednesday, Apr. 18, 2012; 4:00 p.m.**; George Wells Knight House; 104 E. 15th Ave. Co-sponsored by the Humanities Institute, this event is open to faculty and graduate students. To receive a copy of the paper or for more information about the DEP, contact the chair of the Arts & Humanities Diversity Committee, Joe Ponce at ponce.8@osu.edu.

Disabilities and Academia: A Panel and Group Discussion

Date: Thursday, April 26, 3p-5p

Location: Ohio Union, Lower Level Meeting Room

Refreshments will be served.

Please join the Council of Graduate Students for an interactive panel and group discussion about the positive and negative realities of having both visible and invisible disabilities as a graduate student, faculty, or staff in academia. So often, there is silence and misunderstanding surrounding disabilities, and the goal of this event is to open communication about the realities of having a disability in the academic world. Some concerns that will be covered include challenges of having a disability in academia; issues of access and accommodation and possible solutions for these issues; and positive experiences and advantages of having a disability in the academic spaces. The interactive discussion will feature a panel of OSU graduate students, faculty, and staff members with disabilities, with significant time for large and small group discussion.

Disabilities and Academia is sponsored by the Council of Graduate Students, Diversity and Identity Studies Collective—OSU (DISCO), and Disability Studies at The Ohio State University. This event is held in an accessible location with real time captioning. If you have questions about access, wish to request other accommodations, please contact Deborah Kuzawa at kuzawa.1@osu.edu

We need volunteers to reach to children, and we're reaching out to you!

Do you remember your favorite childhood book? It still brings a smile to your face, right? If so, please help us create that same magic for a child! Stories for

Students from Students is a unique OSU outreach program that seeks to connect children to books that will forever hold a place in their heart. This is the third year of OSU students coming together to go out into the community and spread the joy and power of literacy to Columbus City School Children. We are looking for 120 volunteers to go out into the community **the week of May 7-11 for 3 hour time blocks**. The volunteer form with specific times can be found here: <http://studentlife.osu.edu/docs/sfsfs-volunteer-application-1-6-12.docx>

We are also working to raise funds to buy the 2,100 books that are going to 2,100 children. One \$5 donation is all it takes to purchase a book for a child. Donations can be made online at <http://studentlife.osu.edu/stories/donation.aspx> and we would love your support. For more info, contact Bowen Marshall.572@osu.edu

Eat Donatos Pizza, Help Columbus Kids!

Stories for Students from Students from the Office of the Vice President for Student Life has one mission: get a book into the hands of every Columbus school kid! As part of that mission, we are happy to announce a fundraising partnership with Donatos Pizza.

On **April 21 (the Spring Game) from 5-8pm**, if you mention "Stories for Students" when ordering dine in, carry out, or delivery from Donatos on High Near Campus ([614-294-5371](tel:614-294-5371)) **20% of your purchase** will go towards buying books for kids.

Doing good is really as simple as eating your favorite pizza! Again, just mention Stories for Students when ordering pizza from **5-8pm on April 21 from Donatos**. For more information on how to get involved in Stories for Students from Students beyond these two events, visit <http://studentlife.osu.edu/stories>

Adult Prom Invitation!

Want to Party Like it's 1999? OR ...79, 89, 99, 09

Join us on April 21st for Time & Change Adult Prom 2012

WE want to see YOU in Your Prom Attire!

Get Your Favorite Crew Together for a Night of Dancing, Fun and We've Already Spiked the Punch.....

Where: 181 South Oval Dr., Columbus OH 43210 OSU Faculty Club

When: Dancing 8:00PM -Midnight

OR

Pre Prom Buffet 6:00PM-8:00PM - Pre Prom Buffet Individual \$40++ Couple \$70++ (includes admission to prom)

Prom ONLY \$20++ *DJ - Playing "the hits from Every Generation,
*Complimentary Spiked Punch, *Desserts, *Full Cash Bar, * Photo Booth, Prom King and Queen, *Raffle Prize Giveaways

For More Information CALL 292-2262 to Secure Your Spot Today!!! RSVP Required

Check out this month's UCAT Events!

**Beyond Business as Usual: Achieving and Teaching Sustainability
A Conversation with David Orr
Wednesday, April 18**

At Oberlin College, Dr. David Orr has worked to make the campus and community into a learning laboratory and to design spaces that teach about sustainability by being sustainable. If you want OSU to move in similar directions, teaching sustainability effectively across disciplines, come join us to begin to frame the discussion in terms of what students hope to learn. Dr. Orr will be on the Ohio State campus for multiple events on Wednesday (4/18). Learn more and register at <http://ucat.osu.edu/davidorr>

**Fair & Efficient Grading of Quizzes and Tests
Friday, April 20, 2012**

Grading can be stressful for both teachers and students, but it doesn't have to be. On Friday (4/20), UCAT will host "Fair and Efficient Grading of Quizzes and Tests" from 11:30am–1pm in room 150 of the Younkin Success Center. In this workshop, we will explore strategies that can make the process more manageable for you while still providing appropriate feedback and fair grading for students. Register: <http://ucat.osu.edu>

**Writing Together: Collaboration, Group Work, and Peer Review
Tuesday, April 24, 2012**

On Tuesday (4/24), from 11:30am–1pm in room 300 of the Younkin Success Center, Writing Across the Curriculum and UCAT will host "Writing Together: Collaboration, Group Work, and Peer Review." In this workshop, we'll explore different approaches to peer review and group work, focusing on how collaborative writing and group activities can enrich students' learning experiences. We'll consider the pedagogical rationale for these kinds of

assignments, as well as practical methods for enacting and assessing them in class. Register: <http://ucat.osu.edu>

Using Writing to Enhance Discussion and Class Participation Monday, April 30, 2012

Succeeding in engaging students, though rewarding, can often prove difficult for instructors. On Monday (4/30), Writing Across the Curriculum and UCAT will host "Using Writing to Enhance Discussion and Class Participation" from 3:30–5pm in room 300 of the Younkin Success Center. This workshop focuses on strategies for using writing to enhance the level of discussion and participation in class. We will address the value of using writing to focus and plan class discussion, and discuss different approaches—from integrating the Carmen discussion board to asking students to write in class. Register: <http://ucat.osu.edu>

CGS Funding Opportunities: Global Gateway Research Abroad Grant

We received several applications for the Global Gateway Research Abroad Grant. The International Concerns Committee and the Office of International Affairs are currently in the process of judging the applications. We hope to announce the results in April.

The Ray Travel Award

Ray Travel Award Application deadline: **May 18, 2012**; Conference dates: June 8-August 8, 2012. Please contact Shirley Tan.182 for more information.

The Career Development Grant

Get \$250 towards professional expenses! Apply for the Career Development Grant to receive money for professional development opportunities, such as licensure expenses, professional membership dues, conferences, and special training opportunities. **The deadline for expenses occurring during summer semester are due April 23, 2012.** Please see http://cgs.osu.edu/funding/development_funding/ or email cgscareerdevgrant@osu.edu for more information.

Check Out the Upcoming OUAB/Grad/Prof Events!

Super Suppers with OUAB

Tue Apr 17, 2012 - 6:00 PM - Class will last 3 hrs.

Location: Ohio Union - Lower Level- Instructional Kitchen

RSVP to ouab.grad.prof@gmail.com

Join OUAB to learn how to make healthy food at home that is convenient. Students will learn how to make several different meals that can be made ahead, frozen and then warmed up at a later time.

http://www.ouab.osu.edu/view_event.aspx?id=1107

OUABe Fit: Shake it!

Tue Apr 17, 2012 - 5:00 PM

Location: Ohio Union - Dance Room 1

RSVP preferred to ouab.grad.prof@gmail.com

OUABe Fit: Power Yoga

Wed Apr 18, 2012 - 7:00 PM

Please note class will begin at 7:10 p.m. and conclude at 8:10 p.m.

Location: Ohio Union - Dance Room 1

RSVP preferred to ouab.grad.prof@gmail.com

Quiz Night

Thu Apr 19, 2012 - Registration opens at 6:30 PM

First question at 7:30p

Location: Woody's Tavern - Ohio Union

All teams must register for each quiz night. Please include roster and team name with registration (teams may include up to 50% non-student guests). Due to overwhelming popularity, registrations the day of the quiz may not be available.

Register via email at ouab.grad.prof@gmail.com.

http://www.ouab.osu.edu/view_event.aspx?id=1113

OUABe Fit: Cardio Kickboxing

Sun Apr 22, 2012 - 7:00 PM

Location: TBA

RSVP preferred to ouab.grad.prof@gmail.com

For more information or if you should have questions, please contact Allison Sturm at sturm.42@osu.edu. Otherwise, check the CGS website for additional details: <http://cgs.osu.edu>

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