Welcome

Whether you are a new graduate student or you have been with us for a while, welcome back. We are so glad to work with you and for you. As we continue to adapt to ever-changing circumstances amidst the global pandemic, we are reminded of the importance of community. Together, we will endure. Beyond endurance, together we will develop, learn, and grow. If you have an idea to help our community, please email us. We are here for you.

Camaren Ly
GSO Information and Communications Chair

General Assembly
Click for Zoom Link
(August 27th, 6PM)

Executive Council Meeting
(August 13th, Zoom, 6PM)

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Important Dates

August 8: Basic Library Resources (1100-1300)
August 8: Zotero - Bibliographic Management (1400-1600)
August 11: Finding Video Resources (1600-1700)
August 11: HathiTrust - Digital Resources (1900-2000)
August 12: Basic Library Resources (1600-1800)
August 12: Finding Educational Material via ERIC (1900-2000)
August 13: Zotero - Bibliographic Management (1400-1600)

FOR REGISTRATION AND DETAILS, PLEASE VISIT THIS LINK

Library Workshops

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Knowing Your Student Rights for COVID-19

"I want to feel safe, but I also want to ensure my personal health information is protected... what kind of information will UHM solicit from students?"

To protect privacy, no students will be contracted to complete contact tracing (except the nursing school program)

Everyone is entitled to know who has access to their health data and how UHM is keeping their data safe

Under FERPA, UH can share information with public health officials without a waiver

DoE is giving universities leeway on providing accommodations deemed “difficult” or “expensive”

If you have questions or need support, please contact gsoaa@hawaii.edu

UHM Graduate Student Organization
what we are doing for you...

Graduate Employee Sick Leave: The GSO is working with UHM Administration to develop and enact a graduate employee sick leave policy to support and protect our students.

Sanctuary School: The GSO proudly passed a resolution in support of declaring UH a Sanctuary System to protect international, immigrant, undocumented students. Check our website for more info (www.gso.hawaii.edu)

Meet our new Executive Council members:

Camaren J. Ly
Information and Communications Chair
"Hi! This is my first year studying at UHM, and I will be pursuing my MA in Communications at the East-West Center. I’m excited to be in Hawaii and join this community of graduate students. We are better together. Please email GSOinfo@hawaii.edu with communications requests."

Emilee H. Turner
Advocacy Chair
"Hello Fellow Graduate Students! I am a PhD student in Clinical Psychology and have been an active member of GSO for four years. I was previously the Elections Chair and the Merit Based Awards Chair for GSO. I’m looking forward to working as the Advocacy Chair this academic year."

UHM Graduate Student Organization
Donovan D. Delgado  
*Events Chair*

"As a first year graduate student I am excited to serve on the GSO EC! I am pursuing my MS in Cell & Molecular Biology (with a concentration in Neuroscience). My goal as Events Chair is to collaborate with all GSO members in an attempt to organize meaningful gatherings where we can discuss topics of concern for all UH Manoa graduate students, engage in community outreach, or simply kick back and enjoy each other's company. Got suggestions? Don't hesitate to send them to me at gsoevent@hawaii.edu"

**General Assembly**

**HOW TO ZOOM**

Keep your microphone muted if you are not speaking

Check-in via Google Form (found in Zoom chat & Agenda)

EC/Program Reps vote by clicking "Participants" then selecting aye (green), nay (red), or abstain (coffee cup)

To ask a question, either "raise your hand" by clicking "Participants" then selecting the hand button or enter your question into the chat

**Merit Based Awards Chair**

- Managing a budget of $60,000 to provide $50,000 in merit-based scholarships to graduate students
- Developing policies for the scholarship program, working with university administrators to secure annual funding, creating a call for proposals for the following five scholarship categories: Diversity, Mentorship, Teaching, Service and Outreach, and Research
- Coordinating the creation of review committees and scoring procedures
- Preparing year end reports and planning award ceremony

**APPLY NOW!**

Email GSO@hawaii.edu to apply!