



The Mānoa Monthly

Provided by UHM Graduate Student Organization

Aloha Fellow Graduate Students,

I hope the beginning of March finds you and those close to you safe and healthy. It's been my privilege to serve as the GSO Grants and Awards Chair this past year and I wanted to update you on how the G&A program operates and supports graduate education.

The grants and awards program offers reimbursement based-awards to further graduate student academic and professional development. Awards are capped at \$2,000 per applicant per semester and any fee-paying graduate student is eligible to apply! Created to offset travel costs incurred by graduate students, the program has adjusted funding amounts to maximize monies available for research materials and online-professional development opportunities. If you are interested in applying, a complete list of policies and procedures as well as contact information for your department rep can be found [here](#).

Our G&A program would not be possible without the Grants and Awards Manager, Randi Rollins and our former GSO Office Manager, Van Wishingrad. These two individuals are the behind-the-scenes magic that make the G&A program what it is. If you have the opportunity to interact with either of them, please give a heartfelt mahalo for all that they do!

As the semester approaches the final few months, keep the Grants and Awards program in your mind for funding.

You can contact me with any questions or comments about the program at gsogachr@hawaii.edu. I look forward to receiving your applications!

Logan Dean
Grants and Awards Chair

News and features

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- 3 - Join the Elections Committee & Sign up for Academic Affairs and Advocacy Committee email updates!
- 4 - Join the GSO Executive Council
- 5 - Flyers

Spring Semester

Important Dates

March 14-18	Spring Recess
March 25	Non-instructional day: Prince Kuhio Day
April 8	Theses & Dissertations due to Graduate Division
April 15	Non-instructional Day: Good Friday
May 4	Last Day of Instruction
May 5-7	Study Period
May 9-13	Final Exam Period
May 14	Commencement

Spring Semester GSO General Assembly Meetings

March 10th | April 7th | May 5th

{ General Assembly ID: 922 4097 8555
March 10th - 6pm PW: GSO2022GA }

The Graduate Student Organization Academic Affairs and Advocacy Committee would like to hear your opinions about defueling Kapūkākī as we write testimony in support of House Bills 2517 and 2274.

These bills support efforts to defuel Kapūkākī. Our kuleana is to represent graduate student voices, and in achieving this, we would love to include your thoughts on Kapūkākī. Please email gsoadvoc@hawaii.edu with your submission by Wednesday, March 9.

JOIN THE GSO!

We are assembling our **elections committee!**

- Ensure that GSO elections run smoothly
- Compensated position

For more info & to apply, email gso@hawaii.edu!

The Academic Affairs and Advocacy Committee would like ALL grad students to sign up for email updates about bills relevant to them.

Please add your email to the email list to receive biweekly updates on relevant matters. We will include supporting materials such as testimony templates and instructions regarding how and where to submit testimony. Please complete the google forms ([linked here](#)) in order to be added to our email list.

GSO Executive Council positions opening at the end of the semester:

Parliamentarian:

- Advises the Assembly and Executive Council on all matters as related to proper procedure and decorum according to the GSO constitution and bylaws
- Chair the Adjudication Committee
- Interpret the documents and instruments of the GSO as to meaning and implementation.

Informations & Communications Chair:

- Manages GSO social media accounts
- Maintains/updates the GSO website
- Attends monthly GSO and committee meetings
- Creates flyers, innovates new communications methods, and more!

Look out for more info in the coming months!



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JOIN OUR GRAD STUDENT JOURNAL CLUB!

We plan to critically read, present, and discuss journal articles regarding biochemistry, biology, physiology, nutritional science, and more!

CONTACT LOFOQUIST@HAWAII.EDU IF YOU'RE INTERESTED!