
The Mānoa Monthly

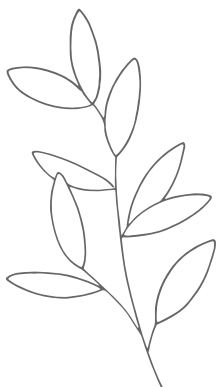
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Aloha UHM Graduate Students,

Happy summer! We hope that you are able to enjoy the sun, and take a break from being hunched over doing research. GSO is still active this summer, working on the budget, the graduate sick leave initiative, and advocating for our needs in campus working groups. We are sad to say goodbye to several GSO Chairs, but excited for new students to join us soon! If you are interested in becoming more involved or would like the opportunity to work with graduate students from other fields, this newsletter contains information about the current open positions.

Summer is traditionally a time to revel in nature's bounty, both food and otherwise. Take a moment to step back and bask in the sun and another successfully completed school year. Make sure to rest and recharge, gearing up for the academic year ahead.

Warmly,
Maya Ward, Treasurer



General Assembly
[Click for Zoom Link](#)
(July 15, Zoom, 6PM)
PW: GSO2021GA

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Important Dates

July 5 - Observance of US Independence Day

July 15 - 6pm: GSO General Assembly Meeting ([Zoom](#), pw: GSO2021GA)

August 5 - 6pm: GSO Executive Council Meeting ([Zoom](#), pw: GSO2021EC)

August 9 - Orientation for New Graduate Students (NGSO)

August 20 - Observance of Hawai'i Statehood Day

August 23 - First day of classes

August 26 - 6pm: GSO General Assembly Meeting ([Zoom](#), pw: GSO2021GA)



Run for the GSO Secretary Position!



WHAT: Run for Secretary

WHO: University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Graduate Students

WHEN: Attend the GSO GA meeting July 15 for the details!

General Info:

7/15 GSO GA meeting

-Will ratify official timeline

-Opportunity to ask any questions

-Email gsoelect@hawaii.edu for more info in the meantime



Merit Based Award Receiptients

Research

Clarie Lewis
Andrian Gajigan
Viet Sang Doan

Teaching

Erica Molnar-Bufanda
Christina Truong
Thomas Iwanicki

Mentorship

Sitara Palecanda
Lauren Arnold
Benji Whitenack

Diversity

Hana Kim
Omar Bird
Shari Brown

Service & Outreach

Emilee Turner
Huy Phung
Uyanga Batzogs





Apply Today!



GSO Grants & Awards

- Up to **\$2,000** to fund research materials, professional development opportunities, attending/presenting at conferences (online due to COVID-19 restrictions) and more!
- Money is awarded on a **monthly** basis (next deadline is **August 12th**)
- For more info & to apply, check out our website!

General Assembly

HOW TO ZOOM

Keep your microphone muted if you are not speaking

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

To ask a question, "raise your hand" by clicking "Participants" then selecting the hand button. When the meeting facilitator calls on you, please state your name and department before speaking.

UPDATED: Due to the Zoom update, our voting protocols have changed:

Executive Council Members and Department Representatives may vote by responding to the Zoom poll ("aye," "nay," or "abstain") or verbally (state "aye") as prompted by the meeting facilitator.



JOIN THE GSO



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL!

(small monthly **cash award**, lots of fun, & professional development!)

IMMEDIATE APPOINTMENT:

GSO Information & Communications Chair

- Manages GSO social media accounts; i.e. advertising GSO events/publications, taking pictures at GSO and other campus events, etc.
- Coordinates media relationships with outlets such as Ka Leo and the Star Advertiser
- Maintains/updates the GSO website
- Attends monthly GSO and committee meetings
- Creates flyers, innovates new communications methods, and more!

GSO Employment & Compensation Chair

The Employment and Compensation Chair's main focus is to increase Graduate Assistant pay and benefits, and oversee the improvement of working conditions, through engagement, investigation, documentation and reporting to the Executive Council. Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Acting as the liaison between the Academic Labor United (ALU), the leading graduate student labor organization on campus, and GSO
- Attending ALU meetings and reporting to the Executive Council.
- Attending monthly GSO meetings

Interested in applying for a GSO Executive Council position? Email GSO@hawaii.edu indicating your preferred position!

IMMEDIATE APPOINTMENT:

Sustainability Chair

The Sustainability Chair will engage graduate students in sustainable opportunities, events, and initiatives on and off campus. This includes but is not limited to coordinating sustainability-related events, such as Earth Day, with organizations and offices like the Office of Sustainability.

Advocacy Chair

The Advocacy Chair is tasked with maintaining awareness of and coordinating advocacy efforts related to political issues that affect graduate students. The Chair may additionally:

- Work in collaboration with the Graduate Legislative Fellow during the State legislative session
- Seek opportunities to open up and deepen the political engagement of graduate students
- Create/maintain relationships with local political and community leaders and organizations

Academic Affairs Chair

- Maintains awareness of department- and system-level academic concerns for graduate students
- Investigates academic concerns
- Works to address them at the appropriate level
- Typically serves as the GSO representative on the Graduate Council

IMMEDIATE APPOINTMENT:

Merit Based Awards Chair

The MBA Chair's duties would mirror the G&A Chair's for the Merit Based Award applications in that they would handle the applications, prepare them for review, and disseminate award notifications. They will organize the application dates, review sessions, and additional awards cycles for unawarded monies as appropriate.

Diversity Chair

The Diversity Chair will provide support for Native Hawaiian concerns and initiatives along with concerns and initiatives concerning other under-represented voices on our campus which include but are not limited to: women, the LGBTQ+ community, other indigenous peoples, minority groups, and undocumented students. Additionally, the Chair also:

- Typically serves as the GSO representative on the Campus Climate Committee
- Builds coalitions with diversity-minded groups on campus
- Can serve as a representative on the Commission on Racism and Bias and Better Tomorrow Speaker Series.

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UH MĀNOA GRADUATE STUDENTS SOUGHT FOR A SPEECH RATING STUDY

\$25 AMAZON GIFTCARD REWARD

ALOHA GRADUATE STUDENTS!

You are invited to participate in a research study about second language speech. In this study, you will listen to and rate a series of 20 English speech samples. Ratings relate to how easily you can understand the speakers and how acceptable you find their speech for university roles.



We are seeking **current graduate students** who are *not* specialists in languages/linguistics to participate in the study (no Linguistics or Second Language Studies students). You do not have to be a 'native speaker' to join this study. Native, bi/multilingual, and nonnative English speakers are all welcome.

You can complete this study **entirely online** in about **40 minutes** (including a brief background questionnaire). You will need to use a desktop or laptop computer, preferably with headphones connected.

Participants **will receive a \$25 Amazon electronic gift card** after completing the study.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Dr. Dan Isbell via email (disbell@hawaii.edu) to receive a link to the study.

Mahalo,

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