

GTAAN Meeting

November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Minutes

### **Announcements**

GTAAN Holiday Social. Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 4pm-5:30pm RSVP Here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VMPCFBC>

Stephen Giradot -Advising Manager Position: Will be opening up the search again in the coming months (pending HR approval). This position will be restructured and will be open to on campus and off campus applicants.

Fiona Brantley-GT 2100: Will be permit only, if you have a student that would benefit from this class, then please suggest the course. 5 sections will be available for probation and readmit students. Classes are 15 to 18 students each. We will be offering this class in the summer.

Jeremy Grey-Registrar: Registration as a whole has been reviewed. How can we make registration better for our students? Beginning in the summer of 2016, we will have one phase for summer. Will open on March 28<sup>th</sup> and will stay open through first week of summer classes. Will allow students that failed pre-reqs to go back and add those courses. **Phase I for fall and summer will close on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Registrar calendar should be updated by this Friday.**

Shannon Dobranski-Planning Committee for Summer Symposium-Please consider joining the committee. If you are interested in advanced training then refer to Shannon's email for doodle polls. We will be having a presentation for one of the pre-health advisor candidates this week. Also refer to Shannon's email for that.

### **Robert Simon-Graduate Initiatives, GTAAN Graduate Committee**

Established in 2008. GTAAN Graduate Committee Survey: 31 responses. Notable findings: Only 17.6% received training. There was dissatisfaction with the training that was received. There was also a suggestion at the time that GTAAN could fill that role as well. Graduate enrollment respondents ranged from 29 to 2500.

Some improvements that have happened over the past few years: Creation of clusters: Created to support cross college collaboration and support depending on the size of the unit. This provides admin units to be a little bit more focused in their training efforts. Graduate advising award and conference funding: Was created to recognize the achievements of graduate staff. Graduate contacts list: Will be creating a list of grad advisors across campus to be placed on the website.

On the horizon: Create a basic training checklist and/or manual to be placed on the GTAAN website. New chair of committee, evaluation of new initiatives, enhanced partnership with administrative units on campus.

### **David Bamburowski-Director of Graduate Studies**

Graduate enrollment has increased over the past few years. Big jump in 2013 due to MOOC program in CS. Grad enrollment is just under 10,000 right now. Six colleges, nearly 100 graduate degree programs. Research, professional, and executive degrees at the master's and Ph.D levels.

Fall 2015 grad enrollment: 1700 apps, 5600 accepted, 2900 enrolled.

A third of our graduate students do not even step on campus.

Grad Studies reports through the Provost. There is an admissions cluster as well as a services cluster (Orientation, fellowship admin, recruitment support, fellowships, etc.).

Criteria for admissions; Evidence of award of Bachelors, demonstrate excellence in college work, evidence of preparation in students chosen field. For International applicants-TOEFL scores.

The office processes over 19,000 applications each year. Individuals apply through CollegeNET. Individuals departments evaluate the applications and recommend students for admission. Grad studies then reviews for Institute level admission.

Major overhaul of grad studies website over this past year, so applicants should be able to find all of the information they may need to apply.

Admissions Decisions; These are made at the department level, taking into account items like GPA, portfolio, GRE scores. Overall how do they fit in that program? Consideration may be given to the applicants' background and life experiences.

In order to apply: Students will need official transcripts, test scores (GRE for most, GMAT for Business), references, proof of residency, TOEFL (for non-US citizens). \$75 application fee. Other writing samples, portfolio, statement of purpose, etc.

International Students: non-native English speakers will need above a 79 TOEFL score to be considered. Official transcripts and documents in both their native language and English.

Common sources for funding: Research and Teaching assistantships, fellowships, loans.

[Grad.gatech.edu/faq](http://Grad.gatech.edu/faq)

Will be putting together a Grad Fair on April 5<sup>th</sup> in the Student Center Ballroom. Additional details will be forthcoming.

### **Bing Wang-Director of Intellectual Property**

Most of the books in the library will be moved to a climate controlled location. There will be more technology, more electrical outlets and open space once the project is complete.

GT/Emory partnership: Allowed for the collection of books off campus in a new location. New teaching methods through collaboration with faculty will also be possible.

The library will become a go to space through the use of space and atmosphere.

Library Service Center (Emory/GT): Shared collection will open in January of 2016. At the same time Crossland tower will be taken offline and the remodel will begin. There will be new windows installed as well as new entrances.

Future spaces: Library Store: Users will learn the activities, services, expertise and collections of the Library. Library will feature a Teaching Studio as well as and Innovation and Ideation Studio. The Library will have more space for small meetings and dissertation events. There will also be collection showcases.

Library renewal process will be done completely in 2020.

Update on Library renewal process. Details on this is on the website:[library.gatech.edu](http://library.gatech.edu)