

GTAAN Meeting Notes, “FASET & Serve.Learn.Sustain”

Student Center Peachtree Rm. • 11:30 am – 1:00 pm • January 20, 2016

❖ **Welcome & Introductions**, Wes Kirkbride, GTAAN President

- Introduction of 1st time GTAAN attendees
- Overview of GTAAN Exec Board; contact information available on website
- 2016 Meeting Dates already planned and are also available on our website so you can plan accordingly – Regular meetings, Symposium, and Holiday Social

❖ **Announcements**, Shannon Dobranski

- Academic Advisor Manager posted again to HR site (and has been revised)
- C2D2 – Upcoming Co-op and Internship fair now requires a RSVP (1st time ever). Please make sure your students know about the RSVP.
- STEM Research – Astronaut Fellowship, deadline is mid-April; or Goldwater Scholarship

❖ **Serve.Learn.Sustain**, Jenny Hirsch (jennifer.hirsch@gatech.edu)

- Combination of sustainability and civic engagement
 - i. Taking a concept and translating it into everyday life
 - ii. A role that GT students can play, while also paying respect their major
 - iii. Ways to think about sustainability beyond environment & recycling
- Key challenge in looking at sustainable communities goes well beyond environmental and also looks at systems thinking for all human beings (UN goals – <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgs>)
- Sign up for list-serve to keep up-to-date about new courses in the works and how they can be included into major curriculum; not currently counting, but in the works
- Two new Spring classes – will post in GTAAN newsletter again
- Projects for students and staff can be funded, so contact Jenny
- Future of program is to be local, state-wide, & international; also working on a minor and identifying courses across the disciplines to engage

❖ **FASET 2017 – Potential Changes**, Cynthia Jennings

- Review of model and potential changes based upon the Institute and building changes
- First Center will be off-line next summer, so no plenary sessions available
- Student Gov't will be voting on a referendum to renovate the Student Center and will also impact FASET if passed.
- Wanted to review the current model, so first started looking at peer institutions across the county and contacted all departments involved. Data will be pulled together to review.
- 2-day model has worked well; 99 percent of students voluntarily attend
- How will this impact the schedule for you as advisors?
 - i. A survey sent out to discuss the schedule from an academic advising standpoint and what works best. We want to know how to make tweaks and what you would like. For instance, what can be put on-line in the form of videos or quick messages (ex. how to get prepared for orientation)
 - ii. In the future, we'd like to also have an addendum for on-line orientation.
- Dr. Giradot has asked Cynthia to meet with her to discuss changes and potential impact.
- Summer '16 – FASET advisors will be in IC the whole summer due to closings in the library; piloting a 2-day transfer orientation in July; WreckCamp will add a transfer camp and an International camp (1st years only)
- Larry's additions– FASET leader applications and you can forward directly to Larry potential leaders from your major department; take a look at the last week to see the changes

❖ **Wrap-up**, Wes Kirkbride

- PollEverywhere Option to give GTAAN immediate feedback – text, tweet, or via web