



Annual Report/Budget Cover Sheet

To be completed annually by each department. Please attach Budget Request Forms for each proposed increase.

Department: Graduate and Professional Student Council

SSF Account #: 237118

Department Budget History:

	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Total Budget	\$115,919	\$116,199	\$128,820	
Total Current UAF Allocation	\$97,075	\$97,805	\$98,353	
UAF Increases Requested	\$0	\$0	\$0	
UAF Increases Funded	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total End-of-Year Reserve Balance Across All Operating Accounts	\$33,394	\$44,467	\$41,740	\$41,740

Please provide a reserve spending plan if ending FY15 reserves exceed University requirements.

Since we are moving to White Creek from Cain Hall, we will need to spend money for the move. We will also need to move our card swipe system to our new offices. We will also be replacing some of the technology, including older laptops for Student Research Week, and other infrastructure, like presentation boards for SRW.

UAF Increase Request History & FY 2017

Summary:

<i>Program, Service, or Operation Requested</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>SAFAB Recommended? (y/n)</i>	<i>VPSA Approved? (y/n)</i>
FY 2015			
Graduate Assistant	\$15,500	NO	NO
Grad Camp	\$4,000	NO	NO
FY 2016			
1/2 Graduate Assistant-Student Research Week	\$15,500	NO/YES	NO/YES
Reclassify SDSII to SDSIII-Full Time Advisor	\$15,000	NO/YES	NO/YES
FY 2017 Proposal Summary (Prioritized)			
Grad Camp	\$4,000		
Interdisciplinary Dinners	\$2,000		

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Additional Questions: *(to assist the Board when informing the student body about stewardship of the University Advancement Fee)*

Briefly, what recent programs/services have been successful? Which need work? Explain.

We have restructured our Grad Camp and made it a one-day program, offered two separate days this past August. Thus, we were able to double the number of campers – and number of students we reached – while still keeping the cost affordable at \$25 per camper. We have had campers show interest in our GPSC general assembly and even leadership positions on our executive committee. It has shown a positive impact in the general feeling of inclusiveness for our new graduate students. Our plans for the coming year include increasing our number of camps to three days, while still keeping growth at a manageable rate. We are also considering hosting a Grad Camp for January new graduate students, in conjunction with Veterans Services.

Student Research Week (SRW) is always a great success. This year, we had over 500 competitors, and special awards (on top of our subject area awards) from the Office of the Vice President for Research, which he plans to renew. We hope to keep promoting SRW and have increased participation this year, in terms of competitors, judges, and volunteers.

Our interdisciplinary dinners typically have about 75 interested participants for each dinner, while we can only accommodate 10-15 students per event. We hope to increase the number of dinners we can host this year, which will also increase the number of students we reach. Like with Grad Camp, interdisciplinary dinner attendees have shown interest in our GPSC general assembly, leadership positions, and shown a positive impact in the general feeling of inclusiveness and community.

Our selfless service events were not well attended last year. We have changed some of the events, and are still brainstorming new events to implement to make the largest impact. Also, last year we had some issues with group dynamics regarding our executive committee. However, it is a new year with a new team, and we have done more leadership training, as well as team building.

What do you see as your department's financial priorities in the next 3 – 5 years (FY17-FY21)?

We are moving out of Cain Hall in October 2015, to the new Student Services at White Creek Complex. Thus, we will be making sure we can still provide important services and support to graduate and professional students. Some of our long-term goals are creating an endowment to help fund Student Research Week. We would also like to provide an assistantship for our Grad Camp Director, as with our SRW director.

How many reclassifications did you have approved in FY15? 0 Total financial impact: \$0

How many equity adjustments did you have approved in FY15? 0 Total financial impact: \$0

How many one-time merit increases did you have approved in FY15? 0 Total financial impact: \$0

How many hiring adjustments did you have approved in FY15? 0 Total financial impact: \$0

How much money in salary savings did you acquire in FY15? \$0

Additional comments, special considerations, etc.

SAFAB Comments/Notes:

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