



The Mānoa Graduate



September 2009 Graduate Student Organization Newsletter

Aloha, fellow graduate students. Hopefully your semester is off to a great start! The UH Mānoa GSO is here to help make your graduate experience as successful as possible. In this issue of *The Mānoa Graduate*, you will find useful information to improve your study and research experience, and to help you continue to grow as a professional in your field. We hope you are able to take advantage of some of these wonderful opportunities. Good luck to you!

The GSO is a representative body of graduate students at UH Mānoa. Visit us on the web at <http://gso.hawaii.edu>, or stop by Hemenway Hall 212 for more information.

Call for Representatives

Another year is on its way, and the GSO wants to make sure that the graduate students in every Department are represented. GSO Representatives attend a monthly Assembly meeting in which we discuss current issues that affect graduate students. But the best part is participating in the Grants & Awards Review! GSO Representatives review the applications from their color group and decide how the GSO grant funds will be divided among the applications.

The GSO currently holds a “No Representative, No Review” rule, so if your Department does not have a GSO Representative, please consider stepping into the position to make sure that your fellow graduate students are eligible to receive GSO Grants & Awards.

Talk to your Department’s Graduate Chair if you are interested in becoming a GSO Representative.

Congratulations to Joanne Birch, PhD candidate from the Botany Department, who was recently awarded the Francis Davis Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching! Great job!

Call for Executive Council

Several Committee Chair positions are still available for the GSO Executive Council for the 2009-2010 school year. These are mostly stipended positions and will look great on your resume. If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact GSO President Jeff Rich at jrich@ifa.hawaii.edu.

- GSO Academic Committee
- GSO Employment and Compensation Committee
- GSO Advocacy Committee
- Parliamentarian, and Adjudication Chair
- At-Large Executive Council Members

To read position descriptions and responsibilities, visit the GSO website at <http://gso.hawaii.edu>.

New Website!

Our Information and Communications Committee Chair, Krystian Paczkowski, is creating an entirely new website for the GSO. Featuring a user-friendly, easy-to-navigate design, the new website will allow graduate students quick access to the information they need, including GSO news and announcements, Representative contact information, and Grants & Awards information.

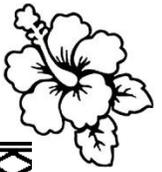
The new website is set to launch on October 16, 2009. Stop by and check it out at <http://gso.hawaii.edu>.

*To submit announcements, congratulations, calls for papers, or other relevant information to *The Mānoa Graduate*, please email corlew@hawaii.edu*





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Grants & Awards!

The GSO Grants and Awards program offers small grants to aid in Professional Development, Research, and Conference Travel for graduate students. For more information and to apply, visit www.gso.hawaii.edu.

Upcoming Deadlines:

Friday October 2- for Review on October 15, 2009.

Tuesday October 27- For Review on November 10, 2009.

Monday November 23- For Review on December 7, 2009.

Awards Granted During the September Review:

- BLUE **Kaori Ueki**, Linguistics
James M. Garrison, Philosophy
- GREEN **Ronald Williams**, History
- PURPLE **Vera Zambonelli**, Urban & Regional Planning (DURP)
Scott Glenn, Urban & Regional Planning (DURP)
- YELLOW **Stefanie Smith**, Physics & Astronomy
Carolyn Parcheta, Geology & Geophysics
- RED **Cheryl Geslani**, Natural Resource Environmental Management (NREM)
Isabel Schmidt, Botany
Christine Ambrosino, Zoology
Michelle Jhun, Cell and Molecular Biology
James Kelley, Tropical Medicine, Medical Microbiology and Pharmacology

G&A Tips! Application deadlines are two weeks prior to the monthly Review. Check your application thoroughly. Applications may be declined or tabled for technical reasons, such as failing to justify the budget or including the applicant's name in the anonymous section. If something like this occurs, apply again and be sure to follow instructions carefully. In addition, check that your Department's GSO Representative will attend the Review so your application doesn't get tabled. Good luck!



Workshops on Campus:

The Science & Technology Reference Department (SciTech) is developing pilot workshops, including "UH Voyager Catalog Tips & Strategies" in October and "Taking Control: Tools for Staying Current on Your Research Topic" in November. Visit the SciTech Instruction Calendar to sign up at <http://www.hawaii.edu/sciref/instruction/workshops.html>. More classes will be announced throughout the month at <http://scitechcentral.blogspot.com>.

The Graduate Division and Center for Teaching Excellence present:

Preparing Future Faculty Program for Graduate Students: Grant Writing—A Panel Discussion
Wednesday October 7, 12:30-1:45 pm

- How to think like a reviewer
- Making your proposal stand out
- Pitfalls to avoid
- Dealing with the pain and misery of rejection!

Register online at <http://www.cte.hawaii.edu/onlinereg.html>

More **EndNote Basics and Advanced EndNote** workshop dates have been added to the schedule, including evening sessions and an Intensive session on Sunday, October 18 covering both Basics and Advanced classes. Register at http://www.hawaii.edu/sciref/Endnote/endnote_workshops.html

The Center on Disability Studies (CDS) and Students with Disabilities as Diverse Learners project invite you to participate in a Professional Development training focused on:

- **Universal Design for Learning (UDL)**
- **Multiculturalism (including Disability)**
- **Mentoring**

This training is offered in conjunction with Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) at Kuykendall #106, October 8, 22; November 5, 19. For further details, including time commitment, contact Dr. Steven Brown, Associate Professor and Project Coordinator at sebrown@hawaii.edu or 808-956-0996

