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Program Launch to Present

- Student Participation
- Faculty/Staff Participation


Participation Rates:
- Student Participation: 74.5%, 82.0%, 82.7%, 85.2%, 84.3%, 85.8%, 84.6%, 83.7%, 82.7%, 72.4%
- Faculty/Staff Participation: 65.8%, 66.5%, 64.3%, 58.7%, 58.8%, 59.0%, 53.5%, 56.8%, 60.9%
U-Pass Resolution
State Budget Overview

- Revenue forecast below expectations
- Current biennium (2009-11): 6.3% across-the-board cuts at UW, or $17 million
- Next biennium (2011-13): Facing $4.5 billion shortfall
  - Very likely to grow, especially with passing of i1053 (tax increases) and i1107 (candy-soda tax)
Funding Models

High Tuition, High Aid
- Low- and middle-income students would be squeezed
- Increases pressure on financial aid funding, and this model has in effect turned into high tuition, low aid

Guaranteed Funding Floor
- Could give the state a license to underfund
- Unsure what kind of traction this might have
GPSS’s Strategy

Focus on how UW’s graduate and professional students benefit the state, and the economic impact of higher-ed investment.

Prioritize advocacy of:
- State funding
- Tuition affordability and predictability
- Financial aid
Student-Parent Task Force

Improve awareness among students and administrators of student-parent challenges and ameliorate conditions for student-parents and their children.

Task force will be charged with:
- Prioritizing student-parent issues
- Developing advocacy strategies
- Planning “Bring Your Kid to School Day”
2Y2D Update

What is 2y2d?

- Through a collaborative process, the 2y2d Initiative builds on the foundation of the UW Vision and Values to develop a long-term direction for the next twenty years.

- Based on this direction, a near-term sustainable academic business plan will be created for the next two years that helps set the UW on the right path for the next twenty years.

- The plan will reflect our shared mission, takes into account current realities, and allows the UW to excel in the next twenty years.
2Y2D Update

2y2d Process

**Phase 1:** Initial Focus Groups of University leaders, faculty members, staff and students began meeting in the summer of 2009. Each group drafted a report that is a working document. Based on the Initial Focus Groups' reports, a two-page Initial Focus Group Summary was created.

**Phase 2:** Synthesize stakeholder—including graduate and professional—input to redefine stakeholder direction over the next 20 years.
Graduate and Professional Student Input in the 2y2d Process

- Attend Graduate and Professional Student Focus Groups at December 1, 5:00 pm!!!!!!!
Non-Resident Waiver Update

Graduate and Professional Student Senate
Background on Waiver

• Non-Resident Waiver Summary:

In July 2005, the University of Washington Regents approved a tuition reduction for nonresident graduate and professional students. The reduction provided an annual waiver of the differential tuition between resident and nonresident tuition for nonresident graduate and professional students who have lived in the state for one year, but who do not qualify for state residency.
# Non-Resident Waiver Breakdown

## 2009-2010 Non-Resident Tuition Waiver

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GPSS Position

• GPSS believes that the non-resident tuition waiver is an important tool for attracting quality students and ensuring that UW graduate and professional education remain competitive in the global economy
• GPSS seeks a compromise solution to ensure that revenues for the waiver program remain committed to student financial aid
GPSS/Graduate School Proposal

- Create Graduate and Professional Fellowships
- **Proposal:** For $4500 a year ($500 a month) in a fellowship/stipend, schools and colleges can create an option that triggers a waiver of out-of-state tuition. E.g., if College X awarded Non Resident Student Y a $4500 fellowship, Student Y would not have to pay out of state tuition
GPSS/Graduate School Proposal

The proposed fellowship program would include:

• Deans would receive money used for tuition waivers to fund fellowship programs on a local level
• Streamlined eligibility requirements
  o Reduces the number of students who are eligible for and who would receive this award
• Student recipients would receive:
  o $4500 a year ($500/month)
  o Tuition waiver (the difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition)
What we’ve done

- GPSS organized students—primarily from medicine and law—to attend the UW Regents meeting in October
- Compiled Testimonies from waiver recipients (over 50 and counting)
- Worked with Dean Baldasty to negotiate a compromise solution aimed at providing a more targeted fellowship program
Non-Resident Tuition Waiver: Next Steps

• Continue to Mobilize Student Groups:
  o Mobilize stakeholders in law, medicine
  o Petition

How you can help:

• Attend the Board of Regents Meeting on November 18
  o (142 Gerberding, Time TBA)

• Attend the meeting (TBA) with Interim President Phyllis Wise, Dean Testy, etc.
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STF Bylaw Changes

Major Changes

- Annual approval of Spending Plan by GPSS and ASUW
- Required to submit to Student body Annual Report
- Must communicate large shifts in approved funding to ASUW and GPSS (10% rule)
- Two new positions: Financial and Compliance Officer
- .5% increase in administrative costs (up to 1.5%)
GPSS Bylaw Changes

Change: Article VI Section A Clause 4 becomes Section A Clause 5 and insert new clause 4:

Article VI Committees of the Senate
Section A The Executive Committee

Clause 4 Student Technology Fee Oversight Provisions

Clause 5 Any actions of the Executive Committee are subject to review by the GPSS.
GPSS Bylaw Changes

Clause 4  Student Technology Fee Oversight Provisions
a.  The GPSS Executive Committee will be considered the Senate’s primary oversight body regarding matters related to the Student technology fee (STF) and the STF committee (STFC).

b.  Student Technology Fee Liaison
c.  STF Yearly Funding Plan (YFP)
d.  Changes to the YFP
e.  Annual Report: The President of GPSS will receive and approve as detailed (sign) the STFC annual report by the First of September.
f.  Three Year Oversight Review
GPSS Bylaw Changes

Change: Article V Section E Clause 2: Add (K)

Article V Officers of the GPSS
Section E Duties of the Treasurer

Clause 2 Specific duties of the Treasurer shall be to:

add k. Act as or nominate another member of the executive committee to serve as the Student Tech Fee (STF) Liaison as outlined
GPSS Bylaw Changes

Change: Article VII Section C *add* Clause 5

**Article VII Special Committee Appointments**
Section C Guidelines for Appointment

Clause 5  Appointments shall be made to the Student Technology Fee Committee (STFC) during the Spring and Summer quarters prior to the beginning of the academic year in which the appointees shall serve. Current STFC committee members are encouraged to declare their intention to remain or not remain on the Committee before the end of the Spring quarter.
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Call to Order
Sarah calls the meeting to order at 5:30pm

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Marc (Treasurer) motions to amend the agenda
Create 3.5, Call for Volunteers for F&B and Volunteers for Travel Grants
Seconded by Charles Plummer (Earth and Space)
All in favor, motion passes

Approval of the Minutes
Laruen Berg (Biology) motions to approve the minutes
Seconded by Adrian (Psychology)
All in favor, motion passes

3.5. Calls for Volunteers for F&B, Volunteers for Travel Grants
Travel Grants needs 2 volunteers to fill the committee, meets about twice a semester
to decide on grant awardees
Jennifer Gosselyn
Gina Vandez (Speech & Hearing Sciences)
F&B needs a committee of at least five, needs 2-3 more volunteers
Meets Wednesday 3-5pm
Gives away departmental allocations
Johnny Bruce (Forestry)
Lauren Berg (Biology)
Kristin Hosey (Nursing)
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Financial Aid Resolution

Yes, Ma'am.

Needs financial aid

cuz comes from large famlee.
Title: RESOLUTION URGING THE WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE TO MAINTAIN ACCESS IN GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION BY REINVESTING IN STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

Sponsored by: Sarah Reyneveld (President) and Ben Henry (Vice President)

Resolution Number: 02.10-11

WHEREAS the University of Washington is a leader in fostering graduate and professional education in the State of Washington and Nationally;

WHEREAS the University of Washington teaches and trains professionals essential to meet employer demand and maintain and further the State of Washington's place in the global economy;

WHEREAS Washington State is in the midst of a shortage of advanced degrees, having to import 125 degrees for every 100 produced;

WHEREAS State investment in financial aid incentivizes Washington residents to pursue an advanced degree;

WHEREAS graduate and professional students are essential to research and teaching practices University-wide;

WHEREAS the Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board's (HECB) Strategic Master Plan Goals for 2010 included an increase of master’s, doctorate, and professional degrees;

WHEREAS the current production of degrees are below the HECB’s targets;

WHEREAS an emphasis on educational outcomes means the State has an obligation to mitigate barriers to degree completion;

WHEREAS graduate and professional tuition has continued to rise significantly and unpredictably, with an increase of up to 14% most recently;
WHEREAS average debt for a graduate or professional degree is $40,297;

WHEREAS the 2011 Governor’s budget proposes to reduce the Washington State Work Study Program by 47 percent;

WHEREAS the 2011 Governor’s budget proposes the continued suspension of Future Teachers Conditional Scholarship and Loan Repayment, Washington State Work Study Program, the Health Professions Scholarship, and Child Care Matching Grants;

WHEREAS the Graduate Fellowship Trust Account was suspended in the 2010 supplemental budget and has not been reinstated;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:

THAT the GPSS urges the Washington State Legislature to invest in graduate and professional student aid programs;

THAT the GPSS urges the restoration of the Washington State Work Study Program;

THAT the GPSS urges investments in the Future Teachers Conditional Scholarship and Loan Repayment Program; the Washington State Work Study Program; the Health Professions Scholarship; and the Child Care Matching Grants;

THAT the GPSS supports the restoration of the Graduate Fellowship Trust Account and the Distinguished Professorship Program;

THAT this resolution be forwarded to ASUW President Madeleine McKenna; UW President Phyllis Wise; UW Provost Mary Lidstrom; Gov. Christine Gregoire; Speaker of the House Rep. Frank Chopp; Senate Majority Leader Sen. Lisa Brown; Senate Higher Education & Workforce Development Committee Chair Sen. Rodney Tom; and House Higher Education Committee Chair Rep. Larry Seaquist.

Presented to GPSS for approval on Feb. 9, 2011. Approved on
Title: **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A HUSKY STADIUM RENOVATION STUDENT TASKFORCE**

Sponsored by: Sarah Reyneveld (GPSS President), Shawn L. Mincer (GPSS Secretary), Aaron Naumann (Anthropology)

Resolution Number: **03.10-11**

WHEREAS the Graduate and Professional students at the University of Washington share a strong commitment to the success of the Universities athletic programs; and,

WHEREAS the Graduate and Professional student body has shared a long relationship with the University of Washington Football program through their fan support in the Dawg Pack and student seating sections at the Husky Stadium; and,

WHEREAS the University community recognizes the need for vital updates and renovations at Husky Stadium; and,

WHEREAS given the economic climate the Athletics department has had to take it upon themselves to secure their own private funding in order to move forward with the renovation of Husky Stadium; and,

WHEREAS in order to fund this debt the Athletics Department must increase the revenue stream for ticket sales at Husky Stadium; and,

WHEREAS based on this need for increased ticket revenue the Husky Stadium Renovation proposal moves student seating to the West End Zone; and,

WHEREAS the Graduate and Professional Student community believes that it should have been engaged with the Athletic Department earlier in the planning of the Husky Stadium Renovation to help assure that more student feedback was incorporated into the redesign; and,

WHEREAS Graduate and Professional students want to have a stronger voice in the Husky Stadium Renovation decision-making process in order to maintain and enhance the game day experience for student ticket holders as well as for the broader Husky Football community; and,
WHEREAS it is recognized that student ticket holders play a vital role in the game day experience as is exemplified by the fact that ESPN named Husky Stadium the loudest stadium in college football when in 1991 fan noise was recorded at 131 decibels at field level [1]; and,

WHEREAS through increased participation in the Athletics Departments planning and decision-making process Graduate and Professional students can continue to have an active role in supporting Husky Athletics, the campus football tradition and be a part of building positive fan/team experiences at the newly renovated Husky Stadium; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:

THAT the GPSS supports the creation of a Husky Stadium Renovation Student Task Force in conjunction with ASUW, UW community stakeholders and the UW Athletics Department; and,

THAT the task force will be made up of 2 representatives of GPSS (one officer or their proxy and one GPSS Senator at large), representatives of ASUW and various student stakeholders; and,

THAT this Task Force will advocate for affordable and stable ticket pricing for students, a student season ticket scholarship program, and other relevant items that emerge from the stakeholders as part of the actions of the Task Force; and

THAT this Task Force will report its proposals and findings back to the GPSS Executive Committee and full Senate; and,

THAT GPSS opposes athletic student fees and disproportionate increases in student ticket prices as a way to fund future athletic program capital projects; and,

THAT copies of this resolution be sent to the University President, the University Provost, the members of the Board of Regents, the University Athletic Director, the Head Coach of the football team, the University Executive Vice-Provost, the University Vice-President for Student Life, the President of the Faculty Senate, the President of ASUW, the President and Board of Trustees of the UW Alumni Association, the Chairman of the Big W Club, the Chairman of the Tyee Club and the captains of the UW football team.
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Adam Sherman & Evan Smith
Purpose and Mission

- Initiate and coordinate student representation in venues of public policy and reflect student interests, needs, and welfare within the higher education community at large.
  - Help coordinate state-wide lobbying and advocacy efforts
  - Help coordinate UW Lobby Days
  - Help GPSS and ASUW effectuate their legislative agendas

- We have *more flexibility* than GPSS or ASUW as to what we can support and what we can spend money on.
Opt-In Fee

- WSA-UW funding comes from the $3 opt-in fee administered during class registration.
  - Last quarter we got $11,000 from the opt-in fee.

- It supports:
  - GPSS and ASUW advocacy efforts
    - This week’s rally in Red Square
    - Lobby Day team leader trainings
  - Dues paid to the WSA (state-wide organization)
Opt-In Fee Promotion!

• **We need your help to get students to opt-in when they register.**

• Registration for next quarter begins *Feb 18th*.

• Our current plan:
  - Email blasts (through GPSS/ASUW Senators and WSA-UW listserve)
  - Facebook campaign
  - Texting blasts
Questions, Comments, Helping Out

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or
Evan Smith - smithe1414@gmail.com
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Bills of Interest
- Governor’s Task Force
- Higher Education Opportunity Act
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- Strategic Investments in Education

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Priorities

- Funding
- Financial aid
- Tuition predictability

GPSS Bill Proposal

- Use unclaimed lottery funds to fund expansion of Childcare Matching Grant and partial restoration of State Work-Study
- Would expand access for students to UW’s childcare subsidy
- Would partially mitigate Governor’s proposed 47% cut to Work-Study
- Proposal submitted to Senate Majority Leader Lisa Brown

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Huskies on the Hill Day this Friday!!

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Thanks for coming!

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Wednesday, March 2nd, 2011
5:30pm
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GPSS Senate Meeting
February 9th, 2011

1. Call to Order
   a. Sarah calls the meeting to order at 5:30pm

2. Approval of the Agenda
   a. James motions to amend the agenda
      i. Delete “speaker” and change Adam’s last name to “Sherman”
   b. Seconded by Charles Plummer
   c. All in favor, motion passes

3. Approval of the Minutes
   a. Aaron Neuman motions to approve the minutes
   b. Seconded by Charles Plummer
   c. All in favor, motion passes

4. Elections Committee Announcement
   a. Elections Committee ready to get running!
   b. If you’re planning on running for office next year, you can’t be on this committee
   c. Election packet needs to be approved 2 months prior to the election, which is the
      second meeting of May
      i. Has to be approved by March 2nd meeting
   d. Existing packet from last year is handy to help speed up the process
      i. Usually very few changes year-to-year
   e. Need at least 3 people to volunteer and work through this process
      i. Nicole (Dentistry)

Adjourn
Speaker: Frances Youn

Student Regent Application will be available by next Monday (March 7)

Application Deadline: April 13

Finalists Forwarded to Gov. Office: May 1
Budget Update Context

• Facing $4.6 Billion deficit over the next 2 years
• March 17th – revised budget shortfall will be announced, expected to be larger than $4.6B
• Legislature has asked university presidents for different cut scenarios.
  – UW was asked to model out cuts in the following scenarios:
    • Governor’s proposed cut of $189 million
    • $215 million cut
    • $250 million cut
UW President’s Response

Cuts to UW may include:

• Consolidation of the Evans School under another college, severe cut to course offerings

• Consolidation of the Information School under another college, severe cut to course offerings

• Elimination of the Foreign Language Certification for teachers in the College of Education

• Elimination of the Institute for Public Health Genetics in the School of Public Health
UW Proposed Cuts Cont’d

• Further reduction in course offerings and frequency
• Decrease in over 8,000 journal subscriptions, and 10,000 fewer book purchases annually
• Severe reduction and elimination of health and safety programs including mental health services and the night ride program
• Job loss, Increased time to degree completion, Decreased number of degrees produced
President’s Rationale and Criteria

Rationale: This is a long process. If the administration does not call out specific programmatic cuts, the legislature might cut deeper.

Criteria Considered:

- High Quality
- Affordable
- Central to the Mission
“NO DECISIONS HAVE BEEN MADE”

• We are in the evaluation process right now, and that will not be complete until the end of March.
Next Step—External

• Legislators need to hear from you that higher education should not be de-funded.

• Please contact your legislators today! Feel free to use the sample email text from the GPSS website: www.gpss.washington.edu/content/action-alerts
Next Step—Internal

Meetings:
• Town Hall—3/8, 4-5 pm
• GPSS Sponsored Stakeholder Meeting—3/8 5 pm

Targeted Advocacy:
• Letters to President and Provost
• GPSS Resolution?
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**GPSS Proposed Budget FY2011-2012**

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**16-0670: Administration**

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**16-0671: Grant Fund**

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Notes:
1. Includes such programs as Presidents Council, GPSS Core, Graduate Organizations (Facilities, Supplies, Travel)
2. For travel by the GPSS President or designee of the President's choice to conferences such as USBA or Sage GC conference
3. $60 Monthly remittance for GPSS use of Personal cell phone

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1. Covers either 3 trips to Olympia per week (12 week session), or three months rent ($650/mon) - 1.5 trips weekly ($77.74/mon)
2. Stationary, adhesives, postage for letters to legislators (use VP bar codes in Office Manager drawer)
3. New phone for Staff use and support (T-Mobile - T&C)
4. Advertising by the VP and designee of the VP's office to conferences: Sage or USBA
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Allev:
1. GSA payrate for s/f.
2. Tuition waiver presumes one less student, one Evans, one Jackson, one Engineering 1st/2nd tuition increase.
3. Courses 2 weeks @ 1/12/08-2/10/08
4. 2010-2011 Employment Loading Rate 13.9%.
5. Stipend Loading Rate: 14.7%

Total GPSS Budget
Total Revenue
Possible Operating Deficit Surplus

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STUDENT ADVOCATES FOR GRADUATE EDUCATION (SAGE)

Graduate and Professional Student Senate
SAGE

SAGE is a national graduate student coalition comprised of public universities, members of both the Association of American Universities (AAU) and the American Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU). SAGE serves as an advocate and a network for graduate students at public institutions aiming to empower graduate students to meet the challenges of graduate education and to form partnerships across universities.
SAGE MISSION

Dedicated to creating a community of student leaders from the preeminent public research universities in the United States that is committed to bettering their own student bodies and promoting educational access, quality, and opportunity nationally.
SAGE GOVERNANCE HISTORY

• GPSS, Founding Members of SAGE
• Fall of 2008, Graduate Governance and Advocacy Summit, Graduate Student Government of the University of Texas at Austin
• Fall of 2009, the original members of SAGE and some additional invitees met at the University of Washington in Seattle hosted by GPSS
• Fall of 2010, SAGE delegates met at UCLA
In the Spring of 2009, the new members of SAGE met in Washington D.C. to advocate on behalf of their constituents.

- **Priorities:** access to public higher education, increasing funding for public higher education, changing the tax status for graduate students, and increasing loan forgiveness for students working in public service.

In the Spring of 2010, roughly 30 SAGE delegates from around the country met with over 100 legislators over a three-day period.

- During the time we were there, Congress introduced two bills dealing with two of our major concerns: tax exemption for graduate student fellowships and bankruptcy proceedings for student loans.
PRIORITIES FOR SAGE TRIP TO D.C.

Three areas of focus this year:

- Taxation and indebtedness

- Research

- Immigration issues
Taxation and Indebtedness

- Amend tax code to redefine “Cost of Attendance” and “qualified expenses”
  - Currently many programs allow fellowships to be taxed. This change would make all fellowship expenses (including room and board) to be tax exempt instead of just tuition and fees.

- Exempt forgiven loan debt from federal taxation.

- Reduce principle on loan by 5% each year for 5 years for someone who works in a public service sector.
Research Grants

- Maintain funding for research grants provided by NSF, NEA, NASA, NIH, and NEH

- Fight against the elimination of graduate student in-school loan subsidies.
Immigration Issues

- Reform America’s Broken Immigration System Act
  - Incorporates most recent version of the Dream Act

- The Staple Act
  - Authorize certain international students who have earned a Ph.D. degree from a United States institution of higher education in a field of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics to be admitted for permanent residence and to be exempted from the numerical limitations on H-1B non-immigrants.

- Immigration and Nationality Act
  - Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to end the diversity immigrant program.

  - Re-allocates those visas to certain employment-based immigrants who obtain an advanced degree in the United States
SAGE Resolution Vote

Title: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GPSS FEDERAL ADVOCACY EFFORTS AND THIS YEAR’S SAGE DAY ON THE HILL.

Sponsored by: Sarah Reyneveld (GPSS President), Ben Henry (GPSS Vice President), Shawn Mincer (GPSS Secretary), Marc Jaffrey (GPSS Treasurer), Matt Souza (Business), Adam Sherman (SAGE Delegate), Aaron Naumann (Executive Senator), Charles Plummer (Executive Senator), and Paul Myoung (Executive Senator).
Resolution Number: 04.10-11

WHEREAS in the Fall of 2008, the University of Texas at Austin sponsored the 2008 Graduate Governance and Advocacy Summit, which brought together the graduate governments of the nation’s preeminent public universities, including the University of Washington (UW), and created Student Advocates for Graduate Education (SAGE) in order to promote quality of life, quality of education, access, and affordability of education for graduate students at public institutions; and

WHEREAS SAGE represents over 120,000 graduate and professional students nationwide, including over 12,000 at UW; and

WHEREAS since 2008, the UW Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) President, Vice President and delegates have taken leadership in SAGE by hosting and attending annual planning summits, building the organizational strength of SAGE, and advocating on behalf of graduate and professional students in Washington, D.C. each spring; and

WHEREAS federal funding is critical to maintaining the quality of UW’s graduate and professional programs; and

WHEREAS the Obama administration proposes to cut $100 billion from higher education over 10 years including reducing loan subsidies for graduate and professional students by $2 billion next year and by $29 billion over 10 years; and

WHEREAS the “Pledge to America” budget proposal by House Republicans would cut funding to research programs by as much as 20% for fiscal year 2011; and

WHEREAS federal student advocacy in support of graduate and professional programs is essential for the UW to maintain its status as the top public federal research funding recipient in the country.
SAGE Resolution Vote

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:

THAT GPSS supports its continued leadership role within SAGE; and

THAT GPSS supports reducing graduate and professional student indebtedness through legislation to expand the income-based repayment and income; and

THAT GPSS supports allowing for the forgiveness of some student loans for graduate students who pursue careers in government, the nonprofit sector or other areas of public service; and

THAT GPSS supports restoring tax exempt status of graduate scholarships and fellowships; and

THAT GPSS supports increasing the number of H1-B visas and removing unnecessary and burdensome restrictions associated with F-1 visas; and

THAT GPSS supports international graduate and professional students through legislation that removes some restrictions on the number of H1B visas granted and that creates a path for immigrants to gain citizenship by earning a higher education degree; and

THAT GPSS supports maintaining funding for graduate student education and the more than $1.2 billion in federally funded research grants UW receives, particularly but not limited to those provided by the NSF, NEA, NASA, NIH, CDC, Department of Defense, Department of Energy and NEH; and

THAT GPSS supports funding for graduate and professional student financial aid in light of the Obama Administration’s proposed decrease in loan subsidies; and

THAT GPSS supports SAGE’s efforts to fight against the elimination of graduate student in-school loan subsidies and cuts to other forms of graduate financial aid; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to UW Interim President Phyllis Wise, UW Interim Provost Mary Lindstrom, the UW Board of Regents, UW Federal Relations Director Christy Gullion, and Washington State’s congressional delegation.
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IN DEFENSE OF OUR FUTURE

With an immense state budget shortfall, higher education is a target. This blog explores the threats and opportunities facing graduate and professional students pursuing their dreams.

By Ben Henry
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Outreach to Graduate Students

- Organize letter-writing
- Outreach to programs
- Lobbying in Olympia
- Campus events, rallies

Communications and Outreach Committee – meet weekly
2011 GPSS Student Survey Results

GPSS Report March 2011
Sample Population

- 1,140 graduate and professional students
Familiarity with GPSS

- 65% have heard of GPSS
- 55% are aware of GPSS’s role in advocating for and supporting UW’s graduate and professional student interests
- 15% have attended GPSS functions
- 14% have never heard of GPSS
Financial Aid

• A majority of students rely on financial aid to fund their education
  – 85% receive some sort of financial aid

• The most common form of financial aid: Loans
  – 81% of students receive loans as all or part of their financial aid package

• When asked to rank potential financial aid programs, students most often selected a partial loan forgiveness program
Student Debt

- A positive correlation between increase in student debt upon graduation and debt influencing whether a student would pursue a public interest career
Experience of Budget Cuts

- Almost half of respondents are first year students and marked that they could not comment on the effects of budget cuts
- 35% have experienced fewer class choices
- 25% have experienced a class size increase
- 13% have experience fewer student support services – clinics & centers
- 54% of TAs have experienced an increase in undergrad class size
- 40% of TAs have experienced teaching more classes per quarter
- 53% of RAs have noticed a decrease in the number of available RA positions
Student Priorities

- Affordability, access to financial aid, quality of UW as an institution, and excellence of faculty were overwhelmingly identified as very important to students.
- 98% of respondents identified quality of education as very important or exceptionally important.
- Why did students choose to come to UW?
  - Affordability of tuition
  - Availability of financial aid
  - Availability of a specific program
  - Prestige/ranking of UW
"...many classes are only offered every 2 years, students are unable to finish their program or speeding up their program to finish earlier. Many of my colleagues/aquaintances are unable to apply/start school due to funding."

"I don't know when I will be able to pay back my loans."

"With the tuition rate increase, I had to increase hours at my part time job, which detracted from my ability to participate in extracurricular learning opportunities, as well as increased my overall stress level."

"Overall I am concerned about the quality of education this university can provide with increased budget cuts."

"Tuition has increased and the quality of education has decreased."
Survey Limitations

• Only captured those who opted to respond
• Doctoral students were overrepresented by 13%
• Masters students were underrepresented by about the same
• 1st year students were overrepresented
Conclusion

- Graduate and professional students are concerned about tuition, financial aid, course offerings, class size, and overall quality.
- Financial aid is a major source of funding, with loans being the most prominent.
- Debt negatively effects the likelihood of pursuing a public interest career.
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10 Volunteers needed
5:30PM – 10:30PM Thursday
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Campaign Signs May Become Collectors Items
By Miss Cellania on Nov 8, 2010 at 10:15 am

You must admit it’s a name to remember: Young Boozer III. Boozer won the race for Alabama state treasurer, despite a rash of campaign sign thefts early in the campaign. It appears that college students wanted the signs for their dorms and frat houses. Boozer’s campaign manager Glenda Allred said there were still signs left to be picked up after the election.
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Thanks for coming! Have a great Spring Break!!!