



M-07-16 Memorandum on Diversity Committee

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1. Composition

- a. The Diversity Committee (DC) shall be composed of the Secretary and any number of volunteer members that are graduate and professional students.
- b. The Secretary shall chair and oversee the functioning of this committee.
- c. A Student Activities Office advisor will serve as an ex-officio non-voting member.
- d. Other recommended members and collaborators may include:

GPSS Representative to Faculty Council on Multicultural Affairs, Faculty Council on Women in Academia, and Diversity Council, Graduate Opportunities & Minority Achievement Program (GO-MAP), the Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity (OMAD), the Q Center, the Disability Resources for Students Office, the Women's Center, the Office of Student Veteran Life, the ASUW Joint Commissions, and Samuel E. Kelly Ethnic Cultural Center, FIUTS.

2. Function

The DC promotes the inclusion and incorporates diversity elements into the GPSS' goals and activities. Diversity includes but is not limited to consideration of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, class, dis/ability, age, religion, and nationality. To that end, the DC serves to:

- a. establish criteria for and award grants from the GPSS Diversity Funds;
- b. plan, host, and promote campus-wide events and programming on diversity issues;
- d. collaborate with students, faculty, administration, staff, and others on diversity programming, events, and activities;
- b. facilitate communication between the GPSS and graduate and professional students working on diversity issues within their department, college, or school.

3. Meetings

- a. The DC shall meet twice each quarter (Fall through Spring) and more if necessary.

b. A quorum of the committee is a simple majority of its members.

4. Authority

a. Opinions of the DC shall not become official GPSS opinions until approved by a majority vote of the GPSS.

Presented to and Approved by the GPSS Executive Committee on