



# GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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March 31, 2014

Re: GSA 2014-2015 Budget

Dear Graduate Students:

Attached you will find the 2014-2015 GSA Budget. The Senate will vote to approve this budget at the April 2<sup>nd</sup> Senate meeting. We are presenting it to you in advance so that you have the opportunity to ask any specific questions you may have in advance. At the senate meeting we will be approving 14 funding applications, hearing the debate of the new candidates, and approving this budget. Our goal is to provide you with this information in advance to allow the approval process to go smoothly. If you have a general question that may interest a large number of the Senators please ask during the discussion of the Budget at the Senate meeting. Below I am pointing out some financial information that you might find relevant for you and your fellow graduate student constituents.

The 2014-2015 Budget includes increases for graduate student funding in the following ways:

- Departmental Clubs starting base budget will be increased from \$300 to \$500 per year.
- International Club budgets will be increased from \$575 to \$650.
- Special Interest Club budgets will be increased from (up to) \$575 to \$600.
- Conference funding limits will be increased \$50 per student. Therefore, the limits for Master's students are now \$350 and PhD students are \$550. Students who have previously used all of the GSA conference funding monies will be eligible to apply for \$50 to reach this new maximum allowance.

I want to extend a special thanks to the students who volunteered and worked very hard on the Finance Committee for assisting me extensively in preparing recommendations for every senate meeting and for also helping me in my preparation of this budget.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you as the GSA Treasurer.

Best regards,

Darrin J. Griffin  
GSA-Treasurer@buffalo.edu

# Graduate Student Association BUDGET 2014-2015

As of March 31st, 2014

ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT TITLE	2013-2014	2014-2015
03-0003-0101	Mandatory Student Fee *see endnote*	820000	896000
03-0003-0111	Interest Income	3000	3000
<b>TOTAL EST. REVENUES</b>		823000	899000
03-0003-0903	Appropriated Net Assets	25000	25000
	Knight's (incoming) Inflation Reserve	50073	59277
03-0003-0100	Beginning Cash Balance (Estimated)	100000	175000
<b>TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET</b>		998073	1158277
<b>APPROPRIATIONS</b>			
Sub-Board I, Inc.			
03-1800-4130	SBI Allocation	90000	96000
03-1800-4131	SBI Accounting Fee	56374	60000
	Sub-Total	146374	156000
<b>LIABILITY EXPENDITURES</b>			
03-0003-3001	Prior Year Expenses	375	375
03-0003-3002	Prior Year Accrued Payroll	8000	11000
	Sub-Total	8375	11375
<b>OFFICE BUDGET</b>			
Personnel Expenses			
03-1100-1101	Regular Pay (Office Managers)	165561	184000
03-1100-1111	Officers & Coord. Stipends	77903	99000
03-1100-1102	Hourly Pay	9032	0
	Sub-Total	252496	283000
GSA Operating Expenses			
03-1100-4141	Depreciation	8000	8000
03-1100-4102	Telephone	1711	1711
03-1100-4304	Postage	250	250
03-1100-4105	Supplies	2500	3000
03-1100-4681	External Affairs	600	2500
03-1100-4684	GSA Special Projects	850	600
03-1100-4110	Miscellaneous	7500	9000
03-1100-4030	GSA Programming	42000	50000
03-1100-4133	Elections	300	300
03-1100-4123	Speaker Series	16000	20000
<i>New Account</i>	TED-X		25000
	Sub-Total	79711	120361
Prepaid Expenditures			
03-1100-5111	Prepaid Service Contract	7465	8500
	Sub-Total	7465	8500

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Club Allocations		
Departmental	124200	145000
Special Interest	10925	12600
International	8050	9100
Sub-Total	143175	<u>166700</u>
Group Funding		
03-4300-4128 Scholarly Publication	11800	11800
03-4100-4691 Symposia	18600	18600
03-4200-4682 Special Activities	25000	25000
Inter- Depart. Activities	3600	3600
Community Outreach	2200	2000
Sub-Total	61200	<u>61000</u>
General Services		
03-4100-4111 Conference Funding	125000	140000
03-4200-4683 Mark Diamond Research Fund	110000	110000
03-4200-4688 GSA Publication Handbook	0	0
Sub-Total	235000	<u>250000</u>
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	933796	<u>1056936</u>
Reserve- Outstanding Encumbrance	5000	25000
Knight's Outgoing Reserve for Inflation	59277	65205
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS BUDGET</b>	\$998,073	<u>\$1,147,141</u>
BALANCE (Total Est. Revenue minus Total Approp.)	0	<u>11136</u>

\*endnote\* Mandatory Student Fee Revenue = approx 7,000 graduate students/semester at \$64.00