
Staff/Administration: Agurcia-Parker, Barnett, Carter, Johnson, Lademora, Lau, Price, Scott, Sevilla, Snow, Spitzenberger, Valladolid, Weinberg, Williamson,

Reports for Standing Committees listed on GSBS Website – Jian Hu, PhD

Report on Admissions, Mentoring Works, Graduate Student Appreciation Week, and Graduate School Research Day – Cherilynn Shadding, PhD

- Admissions:
  - Admissions – PhD – 1154, SMS – 221
  - Interview Offers – 169, Interviewed – 130
  - Admissions – Admit Offer – 49, Acceptances – 3
- Visitation: 3 visitations remaining
  - March 1st – Virtual
  - March 8th – In Person
  - March 15th - Virtual
- Mentoring Works – there will be a brief pause or a possible redesign and facilitator training
- Graduate Student Appreciation Week (GSAW) – April 1-5, 2024
• Graduate School Research Day (GSRD) – June 13, 2024 at the Cooley Center; Keynote Speaker – Cristina de Guzman Strong, PhD
• SB17 Update - Incompliance

Report on Academic Affairs – Jeffrey Frost, PhD
• Student Travel
  - must obtain Dean’s approval
  - GSBS will provide guidance to the student
  - travel in excess of 29 calendar days need Dean’s approval
  - travel policy also applies to students who travel off-site to conduct research

Report on Career Development – Raquel Salinas, PhD
• NIH Fellowship Application Support for GSBS Students
  - offering application assistance
  - workshops and courses
  - providing official documents

Dean’s Report – Alejandro Aballay, PhD
• Dr. Aballay discussed the following:
  - Mentoring works
  - Recruitment system
• Dr. Aballay announced two new GSBS staff members:
  - Myra Leonard, MS, Senior Administrative Assistant
  - Sarah Trevino – Senior Executive Assistant
• Dr. Aballay announced that the 2024 GSBS Commencement is scheduled for Saturday, May 11, 2024, 10:00 am at Rice University, Stude Hall. Keynote Speaker: Maria Elena Bottazzi, PhD

New Business
No new business was discussed.