



Welcome back to returning graduate students and welcome to the new members of PGSG! As of December of last year, professional students within the School of Veterinary Medicine have joined Purdue's Graduate Government. We invite all to be involved with our spring activities and opportunities! Stay up-to-date on what's happening in PGSG by visiting "PGSG Events" on FB, "PGSGinfo" on Twitter, or our website: <http://web.ics.purdue.edu/~pgsg/>

December/January Senate Recaps

During the December 5th Senate, the Senate approved a bill to contribute support to the Purdue University Chinese Students and Scholars Association Spring Gala in return for the organization's support of PGSG. The spring gala will be held on February 10th at 2 PM in the Loeb Playhouse.

At the January 23rd Senate, two guest speakers presented pertinent information with the Senate. A representative from Purdue's Health Insurance Administration shared information on US health care reform laws and their effects on Purdue graduate student insurance. For details, please contact your senator. The Peer Ombudsman program, a free consultation service for graduate student issues, also presented. For more information, please contact peerombuds@purdue.edu.

The Senate also voted to financially support the Sustainability Revolution event occurring in February. The Sustainability Revolution is an effort to coordinate the sustainability work being done by various Purdue departments, institutes, offices, and student groups.

West Lafayette City Planning

West Lafayette Mayor Dennis is interested in appointing graduate students to city planning committees. Interested senators/constituents should contact PGSG President Chris Kulesza, ckulesza@purdue.edu.

Graduate Student Space

The Executive Board announced university plans to move forward with the opening of a study space reserved exclusively for graduate students. VP Hylton toured the proposed space (current University Visitors' Center). The university's preliminary plans to remodel the space include the construction of an official meeting space for the senate, PGSG executive board office space, meeting rooms for grad student groups, study space, a computer lab, and a social lounge with kitchen. The senate approved a resolution to accept the proposed space at the December meeting. Detailed plans for the space will be available for graduate student review during GSAW. The university hopes to have the space open within the next academic year.

Calendar of Events

Feb 6 – Career Fair in STEW 206, 213, 214;
8AM-4PM

Feb 22 – PGSG Semi-Formal at LBC; 7-11pm

Feb 27 – Next Senate, RAWL 2082, 6pm

March 1 – Child Care & DEAL grant deadline