



GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION 2019-2020 ACADEMIC YEAR GOALS

The GPSA Council and Executive Board have established the following goals in support of the mission of the GPSA. The GPSA Executive Board will regularly report to the GPSA Council on the status of the goals to reinforce commitment and progress. These goals are not listed in any specific order of priority.

INTERNAL GPSA

- Improve transparency of GPSA Executive Board and Council activities through regular update emails to the constituency on behalf of the GPSA President.
- Update and improve the GPSA Constitution and Bylaws through the creation of Operating Policies for additional GPSA programs and services.
- Encourage student involvement during Graduate & Professional Student Appreciation week activities.
- Enhance communication of non-GPSA committee activities to the Council and graduate/professional student body.
- Encourage greater participation from all departments/colleges providing graduate and/or professional programs.
- Continue to provide social events organized by the GPSA both on- and off-campus.
- Organize and offer group community service activities open to all graduate and professional students at least once per academic year (fall/spring).
- Pilot a Student Researcher Award program to support and encourage students to produce quality research that will make a considerable contribution to their field of study and degree completion.

CAMPUS-WIDE

- Increase GPSA promotional efforts and presence at university-led community events (e.g. Premier, Homecoming, UNLV social events, etc.).
- Encourage student and alumni participation in development activities (e.g. #RebelsGive campus initiative) which benefit students enrolled within the Graduate College.
- Encourage student collaboration across academic units in both social and academic settings.

SCHOLARSHIP & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Offer workshops on the sponsorship process and application to both graduate and professional students at least once a semester (fall/spring).
- Organize a GPSA brown-bag series with speakers from the UNLV and Las Vegas community to provide insights into life after a graduate degree (academic and industry).
- Organize an interdisciplinary GPSA brown-bag series for students to share their work (research, presentations, writing, etc.) as a way to enhance the final products.

STUDENT ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES

- Provide graduate & professional students an opportunity to voice their concerns to the GPSA Executive Board through an informal town hall setting at least once per academic year (fall/spring).
 - Provide graduate & professional students an opportunity to voice their concerns to UNLV administrators during a GPSA Council meeting or informational session.
 - Provide graduate & professional students an opportunity to voice their concerns to the NSHE Chancellor and/or Regents during a GPSA Council meeting or informational session.
 - Provide educational resources regarding Title IX to graduate and professional students by inviting UNLV compliance resources to speak at a Council meeting(s).
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