



GSC Voice

GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
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We the People: Your Voice in Our Government

WE PETITION THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION TO:

Reinstate the tax exempt status of Graduate Student Stipends

As our economy is in turmoil and manufacturing jobs continue to be shipped overseas, it is an accepted fact that technology and innovation will carry our economy into the 21st century. This innovative, cutting-edge thinking is not being done by bankers, lobbyists, or hedge-fund managers. Innovating is done in the laboratory by Ph.D. and M.S. students. To make the long process of getting a professional degree less incentivized does a huge

detriment to our country's future. If various efforts are being made to purchase a home by adding tax exemptions or rebates, it seems only fitting to restore the tax exempt status of graduate student stipends to promote this difficult but worthwhile career path. Please restore the federal tax exempt status lost in 1986 to graduate student stipends. Check out the following link below for more details:
URL: [TAX Exemptions](#)

GSC Mission Statement :

The Graduate Student Council is committed to retaining high academic standards, to promoting democratic principles, to fostering close cooperation between students and faculty, to facilitating graduate interdepartmental communication, to encouraging worthy projects in the interests of the graduate student body, and to serving the general welfare of our institution. Please visit our website at gsc.olemiss.edu or visit us on www.orgsync.com , just select GSC to become a member . Also feel free to contact us at techgsc.olemiss@gmail.com to submit articles for any upcoming newsletters.

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- **November 11, 2011**

Cup-Cakes and Coffee

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Pot Luck for Charity

- **November 30, 2011**

Marketing Yourself:

The Resume and Curriculum Vitae

- **January 27, 2011**

Arbonne Spa Party

- **February 6, 2011**

*Panel Discussion "Minority
Women in Academia"*

Graduate Crisis Hotline:

*It was the Best of Times, It was the Worst of Times
Charles Dickens,
A Tale of Two Cities*

Recent studies have shown that the pressures of academic performance, finances, advisor relationships and other factors create intense anxiety for many graduate students, bringing some to a dangerous point of crisis. That's why we've come up with the National Graduate Student Crisis Line -- a toll-free, 24-hour hotline staffed by highly trained phone counselors who understand the unique issues faced by grad students like you.

The crisis line has recently moved to KBHC to allow campuses to promote this valuable service without a faith-based organization attachment.

If you are a grad student in crisis, please call the Crisis Line right away...1-800-GRAD-HLP. Please also feel free to contact our local counselors at the Student Help Center for more information.

**Grad
Student
Crisis Line**



You can also get additional information from the URL below : <http://www.gradhelp.org/>

GSC Senator Search

We are currently looking for motivated, talented and innovative graduate students to serve on the GSC Senate Committee.

Attention :
Graduate Students,

The Graduate Student Council (GSC) has current openings for Senate seats. Each department needs a representative from their department to serve. There are several available senate seats that are currently open. Please check out the GSC website at gsc.olemiss.edu under the Senate tab, to view the current available seats that are open.

A GSC senator will attend a monthly meeting and serve on a committee of their choice.

If this position is not filled by a departmental representative, it will be available to any graduate student. So please elect to choose a student to represent your department.

You can help to voice the concerns of your department at our meetings and make change happen.

If you or someone you know has interest in this position, contact us at : gscpresident.olemiss@gmail.com.

Event Highlight

*- Coffee and Cupcakes
November 11, 2011
The Graduate School*

*- Pot Luck for Charity
November 15, 2011
5:30 p.m.*

The Sarah Isom Center

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New GSC Award

The graduate student council has plans to implement a new GSC Award. The award will highlight a new graduate student each month, that exemplifies the characteristics of servitude, academic excellent and research abilities. Please check back next month to get more information on how to submit candidates for this award.