GSA Meeting (2/6/2017) Minutes

Taken by Kiki Malomo-Paris, Public Policy senator

1.Careers Center

Susan Hindle, Career Center

* Discussion of Career Center Services via website
* Calendar of events on website <-- they are all open to Grads
* There are a lot of services (i.e. resume and cover letter review) that would be helpful for MPP's who are looking for their internships
* If there are any large employers that you want the career center to approach for a campus visit or a site visit, we should contact the career center. Jeremiah Sawyers handles the social sciences ([jsawyer2@umbc.edu](mailto:jsawyer2@umbc.edu) -Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences)

2. Graduate Assistant Advisory Committee (GAAC

News about about the GA health insurance

* Per the survey results, GA chose  to keep our coverage and pay the $400 premium
* However the Governer has moved to cap undergrad tuition at 2% increase. UMBC chose to honor that cap for grad tuition. While the state will absorb the tuition increase for undergrads, they **will no**t for grads
  + UMBC is using part of the funding for grads to absorb the tuition increase.
  + As a result, the $400 premium we agreed upon will likely**rise to at least $700**
* **GAAC is asking for any GA covered under the GA health insurance that will be substantially affected by the premium increase to contact Christy Gaines (**[**cgaines1@umbc.edu**](mailto:cgaines1@umbc.edu)**).**
  + She wants to know how this premium will effect you**.**Your (anonymous) story will be used to negotiate with the administration

3. GSA Executive Board Nominations are due by March 20th

* The positions receive stipends.
* Acceptances are made in the form of a 200-word description of qualifications submitted by March 27

4. Travel Grants

* If you received a travel grant last semester and have not completed your hour of community service, volunteer at the Graduate Research Conference

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