

2003/2004 Graduate Student Assembly Report to Baruch Faculty

Zicklin Curriculum Addition

GSA researched and initiated an effort to have a communications course added to the MBA core curriculum. The proposed course would have presentation skills and business writing elements. The Zicklin School of Business is currently developing a communication course to be offered in the winter intersession in 2005.

Communications to President Regan

GSA has sent a letter to President Regan re: scheduling issues in Fall 2003. The major concerns were not enough courses offered at appropriate times for students who work full-time, courses not offered to allow students to graduate in a timely fashion, and the overcrowding of some class sections. President Regan came to a GSA meeting in November 2003 to discuss these issues. As a result, the academic services offices are working with GSA and faculty to alleviate these problems.

Another letter was sent to President Regan re: the revised final exam schedule for spring 2004. The revised schedule creates a burden for students who work full-time. The changes will force students to take two finals back-to-back on the same night. GSA has asked President Regan to suggest to the Provost that professors allow students to take exams on alternative dates if the students request it.

Build relationships with various offices in both SPA and Zicklin

GSA has worked to strengthen its relationship with various offices and administrators throughout the school.

Town Hall meeting w/ Dean Elliott

The GSA will host a "Town-Hall Meeting" between Dean John Elliott of the Zicklin School of Business and Zicklin graduate students. The exact date is TBD, but will occur in early May 2004. The session will be an open forum with Q&A with a focus on student services.

Recruited grad students to sit and participate on various school-wide committees

GSA has recruited several grad students to sit on various college wide committees. These include: Student Evaluation of Faculty Measure, Technology Fee, Bookstore Advisory, and Food Services Advisory.

Volunteered and participated as support staff for various events hosted by the college these included: the Peter Vallone Lecture Series, Orientation for New Students, Zicklin Open Forum Night, and others.

Participated at number of GCMC events with Office of Admissions –Zicklin Grad School.

Represented the school with representatives from the Office of Admissions at several GMAC events for potential interested students. The GMAC hosts several events

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throughout the year whereby potential grad students can speak with representatives from various schools. These events are well attended and an important means for Baruch to recruit.

Streamlining the process for Graduate Clubs

Working on orientating student clubs about the proper policies and procedures. These include: managing their budgets, planning events, and making payments.

Graduate Student Socials

The Graduate Student Assembly has hosted 5 social mixers for all Baruch grad students during the 2003/2004 school year (09/24/03, 10/ 29/03, 02/26/04, 03/18/04, 04/22/04). On average 265 grad students attended these events. Several faculty and administration staff also took part in the festivities.

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