

GSNP MONTHLY



September 2023

Graduate Students & New Professionals Community of Practice

Welcome
FROM OUR CHAIR



Happy September, GSNP!

It genuinely feels like just last week that it was May and we were all preparing for move-out, graduations, orientation sessions, and holding on for dear life until a break. I hope that you found time this summer to prioritize rest and care in whatever fashion. Whether you jet-setted off to a tropical island or stayed inside and watched Love Island, that's a summer well spent! And if you had tickets to the Eras Tour, know that I am Forever and Always jealous.

For many of you, the last few months were a very exciting time in your professional journeys and our Community of Practice is so proud of you for whatever season you're in. Those who graduated with your Master's or defended your dissertation, what an incredible feat to join the small percentage who hold a professional degree and to officially begin your professional dedication to student growth, well-being, and success! To those who completed a summer internship, I hope that your experience proved fruitful in determining the institutional type and functional area that you are most drawn to. I'm sure the connections you made will be beneficial in the coming years. And lastly, you may have shifted roles this summer. Whether it was leaving a workplace that did not align with your values, seeking the next step up as a professional, finding passion in a new functional area, or a little bit of each, we wish you the absolute best in your transition.

I firmly believe that professional development is an aspect of the ongoing care we show ourselves. In fact, one of the eight dimensions of wellness is Occupational; how to optimize personal satisfaction in our careers. In my experience and my work in this Community of Practice, my personal satisfaction comes from seeing the growth of others and providing opportunities to break down barriers for students and staff. As we look ahead and prepare for a new academic year, I encourage you to create time to sit, reflect, and solidify your intentions for the year. How do you want to better show up as a colleague, mentor, or student? What are some programs and ideas that you want to prioritize? Where do you see areas of growth in your work or studies? What did you do really well last year that you want to ensure continues? What is your 'why' and does it align with your current practice and mindset?

We hope that those intentions you set provide room for finding a "professional home". This newsletter, as well as our social media and website, will outline ample opportunities to become involved and grow with folks who are in similar periods of their careers and can relate. I hope to connect with you at a webinar or networking event and wish you a smooth fall opening!

Cheers,

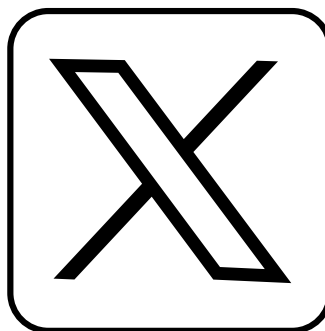
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SEPTEMBER EVENTS ON THE HORIZON

09/25 | Nominations for Awards Open
09/29 2 PM EST | ACPA-ASHE Presidential
Symposium

MEET THE DIRECTORATE

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GSNP SCHOLARSHIPS ARE LIVE!

ACPA's Graduate Student and New Professional Community of Practice is once again offering scholarships for ACPA24 and ACPA membership!

The Convention Registration Scholarship is offered to graduate students and new professionals planning to attend ACPA24. This scholarship covers the cost of registration at the regular rate. Interested members can find more information and complete the application. The deadline to apply for this scholarship is October 22, 2023

The Convention Flat-Rate Scholarship scholarship covers other financial needs associated with Convention other than registration (such as hotel, meals, airfare etc.) that may not be included under professional development funding. The deadline to apply for this scholarship is January 7, 2024.

The ACPA Membership Scholarship is intended for grad students or new professionals who are unable to attend ACPA24 due to financial or other reasons. This scholarship will provide a year-long membership to ACPA for the recipient. The deadline to apply for this scholarship is January 7, 2024. The application can be found here (link: <https://forms.gle/k9hwZPGf35vsGwir6>).

Additionally, we are looking for scholarship reviewers for these annual scholarships! If anyone would like to be a reviewer, please let us know by completing the application!

TO 35 & BEYOND

35TH ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISER

GSNPCOP, previously both a Steering Committee and a Commission, has long supported the needs of those new to the field of Higher Education and Student Affairs. This year, we are celebrating 35 years of service which has included various mentorship programs, ongoing sponsored programs, professional development opportunities in the form of webinars, and working to break down financial barriers of those we serve. Graduate students and new professionals are in a unique position to need a wide variety of professional development and support in order to learn and jumpstart their career but often bring in stipends and salaries that are below the cost of living. Adding in the common need to move for academic programs or entry-level positions, and the financial need becomes more critical.

Our Community of Practice strives to offer scholarships for opportunities hosted by ACPA to aid in the growth and retention of our new colleagues. By contributing to our Foundation Campaign, you are directly supporting graduate students and new professionals by providing scholarships for attending ACPA's Annual Convention, obtaining an ACPA membership, attending webinars throughout the year, and attending the Emerging Leaders Institute. Your support is greatly appreciated and valued to help our graduate students and new professionals "grow as they go"! Please contribute what you're able, though we would be thrilled with amounts of \$3.50 or \$35.00 in celebration of our years of service to ACPA.

CLICK HERE
for the link to
our fundraising
campaign!



NETWORKING

EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commission for Graduate & Professional Student Affairs Networking Opportunity:

Join CGPSA for our Chow and Chat Series! These events are free of charge and open to ACPA members and non-members. The goal is to allow members the opportunity to network and discuss any situations with others.

Thursday, October 20th | 1-2pm ET/12-1pm CT

Link: <https://meet.google.com/ewg-pqzr-eym?hs=224>

Thursday, November 17th | 1-2pm ET/12-1pm CT [LINK](#)

Legal Issues in Higher Ed Conference: The University of Vermont annually presents one of the nation's premiere conferences. This year the conference will be held on October 16 – 18, 2023, and will focus on the diverse legal issues impacting all aspects of higher education. The program will feature leading experts in: Higher Education Law, Student Affairs, Campus Public Safety, & more! Through interactive sessions and panel discussions participants learn practical approaches to complex legal situations.

Here is a [LINK](#) with more information and registration options. Online web stream registration is \$349. In person-prices vary!

The Commission for Student Involvement has an upcoming Webinar, **The Impact of Recruitment Timing and Structure on Fraternity & Sorority Chapter Culture** (Panhellenic and IFC), on Wednesday, October 26th at 11am EST. You can look for registration to be posted on their Instagram page [@csi_acpa](#)

CSI Blog Post on Supervising a Grad Student: Nneka Walson, Coordinator for RSO Support at the University of Tennessee - Knoxville, wrote a blog post regarding 4 things to keep in mind when Supervising a Graduate Assistant. You can read this post [HERE](#)

The Coalition for (Dis)Ability Resources has a page of all of their resources. You can access that at this [LINK](#)

The Pan African Network has fully launched an introduction of their new chair members. You can read more about them and their goals at this [LINK](#)