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## **Graduate Student Government Grants Program Report Spring 2018**

During this grant cycle, we received 132 submissions. 3 grants were rejected due to incorrect format and/or personal identifiers. The remaining 129 applicants requested a total of \$100,697.61. Of those grants, 48 were Degree Related and 81 were travel to Present. Scores were normalized to account for different grading scales of individual grant readers. The GSG awarded 100%, 75%, and 50% of requested funding to 80 (62%) applications for a total of \$45,082.16.

3/4 Anthropology (75%)

3/7 Biology and Ecology (43%)

12/16 Ecology & Environmental Sciences (75%)

0/1 Chemistry (0%)

1/1 Chemical and Biological Engineering (100%)

1/2 Civil and Environmental Engineering (50%)

5/6 Climate Change Institute (83%)

3/3 Communication and Journalism (100%)

6/6 Earth and Climate Sciences (100%)

3/6 Economics (50%)

0/4 Education (0%)

4/6 Graduate School of Biomedical Science and Engineering (67%)

11/16 Psychology (69%)

0/1 History (0%)

0/1 Intermedia (0%)

4/7 Marine Science (57%)

7/10 Molecular and Biomedical Sciences (70%)

0/1 School of Policy and International Affairs (0%)

4/11 School of Food and Agriculture (36%)

6/13 School of Forest Resources (46%)

## 6/6 Wildlife, Fisheries, and Conservation Biology (100%)

7 reader groups (28 people) were responsible for reading and scoring grants. All readers who also applied for funding read grants in the opposite category. Funding for Degree Related and Travel to Present grants are decided as independent groups to avoid any biases. Review was completed on Friday, March 9th, 2017. Grants were disbursed on Friday, March 23rd, 2017. The highest number of submissions came from the department of Psychology followed by the School of Biology and Ecology, School of Ecology and Environmental Sciences, the School of Molecular and Biomedical Sciences. We awarded funding to 80 grants at 100%, 75% and 50% of requested for a total of \$45,082.16. This is 62% of the total eligible applicants. 3 applicants were denied funding due to submitting in the incorrect format or for personal identifiers that compromise the anonymity of the process.

A diverse set of grants were funded this cycle, with grants from 18 different departments receiving funding. This represents 86% of the programs with students that applied and is on par with the percentage of programs funded from the Fall 2017 cycle (89%). Ecology and Environmental Sciences received the most funding for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester in a row, with 11 out of 13 grants funded. Psychology also received funding for 11 out of 16 grants submitted. Special mentions go to Wildlife, Fisheries, and Conservation Biology, Chemical and Biological Engineering, Communication and Journalism, and Earth and Climate Sciences which had all submitted grants funded.

The lowest funded score was 85.5 for Degree Related and 84.5 for Travel to Present. Scores were normalized to account for reader variability. 81 (63%) grants received some deduction due to one or more of the following: file naming errors, incorrect font or spacing, incorrect margins, extra pages, and failure to properly identify application type. The average deduction for these types of errors was 1.57 points. The lowest overall score was 57 points and the highest was 97.25.

In addition to individual grants, the grants committee received and reviewed 1 grant from a newly recognized club and 4 grants from returning clubs. These groups requested a total of \$1,499.30. We funded all clubs and organizations in full. Events that did not fit with the GSG mission or were deemed as social events outside the scope of a given club's mission were not funded and funds were reallocated to other events.

Respectfully Submitted,

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