# Program Council, GSAPP

# Weekly Meeting 03/26

#### 26 MARCH 2021 / 4:00 PM / ZOOM

## **ATTENDEES**

Program Council: Alina, Elie, Becca, Joel, Elaine, Elliott, Ahmed, Cait, Kaeli, Eric, Tianyu, and Max.

Administration: Dean Amale Andraos (first 20 minutes), Danielle Smoller

Guests: Ben Goldie

## **AGFNDA**

## Last Meeting Follow-up

 What other funded opportunities can be promoted to graduating students to make up for ineligibility to summer workshops?

DS: Incubator prizes—an additional 25 prizes were announced for 2020 + 2021. Urge you to apply <a href="https://www.arch.columbia.edu/research/gsapp-incubator">https://www.arch.columbia.edu/research/gsapp-incubator</a> when the application opens.

#### **New Business**

#### Amale (joined briefly at the beginning of the meeting):

- Meeting with the Student Advocacy groups and Coalition last week.
- New student organizations that have emerged over the past year.
- Expression of thanks to all.
- Happy that graduation will have an in-person component.
- All the students got a place in the Summer Workshops, and something like 80% got their first choice.
- RE Graduation: Got approval to have smaller gatherings—up to 25 people—in—person. Ambitious efforts to have lunch boxes and something to drink to go. There will also be a "party" at the end of the summer.

- Brief discussion of pavilion/tent.
- Spending the Program Council's 2500\$ budget. Stipends? Simple Games? E.g., raffles, "count the jelly beans", trivia, etc.
  - DS: Please submit a budget and proposal with exact amounts following student handbook guidelines how stipends will be allocated. SFS + compliance approved a one time exception to award prize stipends to continuing students (1st year MArch, receiving three- \$100 for a design competition )
- Reserving graduation regalia, can it be used later for photos?
  - DS: Please see the bookstore for academic attire information. https://columbia.bncollege.com/shop/columbia/page/announcements
- Does GSAPP/Columbia provide a letter confirming convocation so family members can apply for visas?
  - DS: Columbia is currently under a travel ban and non affiliates are not invited to campus.
  - https://covid19.columbia.edu/content/spring-2021-travel-restrictions
- Will students have access to their remote desktops during the summer?
  DS: Ben to confirm response, but all computers will be in use this summer, as always, for enrolled students only. Please remember to

back-up all work before the end of the term. Ben to expand...

- Printing quota hasn't been removed yet, Farah emailing Ben.
  - DS, Ben responded: We will be increasing the printing for both black and white and color prints for all GSAPP students by 25% for the remainder of the spring semester. Quotas will return to the original levels during the summer, fall, and all subsequent semesters. This temporary, one time increase will go into effect Monday, March 22 at 9 a.m.
- Transparency in how many positions are available for different programs (AAD) for summer positions.

DS: Andres Jaques emailed AAD students outlining all the available AAD positions—both teaching assistantships and Associate positions.

• Student Awards for graduating students: Why have students already been informed of awards pre-portfolio submission/graduation? Students would like to get clarification on a) what awards are based on applications, and b) what are based on portfolios, and c) which ones are students automatically considered for (e.g merit/grades based)?

DS: Only external awards should be announced in advance of graduation, since they are not awarded by GSAPP.

• Differences in time given by studio professors for studio classes. Some studios only meet 1x a week/fluctuating days. How much time are studio professors meant to provide their students?

DS: In Spring 2021, all studio sections meet once per week as a group, desk crits vary, and all studio lectures are expected to be attended. <a href="https://www.arch.columbia.edu/room-schedule">https://www.arch.columbia.edu/room-schedule</a>

• Kinne Stipends: How much tax?

Please see the following: <a href="https://www.sfs.columbia.edu/tax-info">https://www.sfs.columbia.edu/tax-info</a>.

• Where are individual studio 24/7 zoom rooms?

Ben Goldie to respond: It's always been based on entire programs. https://www.arch.columbia.edu/hybrid-pedagogy/virtual-studios

 Can coursework on the GSAPP website be student submitted so students don't feel overlooked, or don't have their work shared without permission?

DS: Please clarify the course and we can discuss with the faculty member.

#### DS: To discuss.

- Summer PC meeting schedule for continuing students.
  - Will attempt to hold one Program Council meeting in May. checked the summer UD, RED + AAD schedules ...below should work?

- Friday, April 23 ? 9 AM
- Friday, May 14th 1 PM
- Friday, June 4th 1 PM
- Friday, June 18th 1 PM
- Friday, July 2nd 1 PM
- Friday, July 16 th 1 PM
- Friday, July 30 th 1 PM
- Friday, August 13th 1 PM

- AAD, RED, UD summer elections?
  - Will try to have them as soon as possible.
    - Propose June 4th- first program council meeting interested parties can attend?
    - Following week elections
- Orientation: June 1 for incoming Summer students and incoming Fall students?
  - Will set up a meeting in April.

Propose - April 27, 9 AM

## **ACTION ITEMS**

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## **NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA**