History Graduate Student Association

Department of History Washington State University August 2003



What is the HGSA?

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information about the History Graduate Student Association (HGSA) at Washington State University. The HGSA is an organization through which history graduate students can address problems and issues and seek solutions related to their education at Washington State University. It also provides a vehicle through which graduate students can formally respond to the History Department faculty or other university bodies on matters of concern to graduate students.

All history graduate students (whether part-time, full-time, or on leave) are automatic members of the HGSA. During the last academic year the HGSA provided its vote to the Public History faculty search, conducted a survey on graduate student teaching opportunities, and aired its concerns and recommendations to the graduate studies committees, as well discussed issues arising from the Graduate and Professional Student Association.

CURRENT OFFICERS:

Faculty Representative:

Jeff Johnson

Graduate Studies Committee Representative:

Mathias Bergmann

GPSA Representatives:

Carli Schiffner

Amy Harrington

Ph.D. Representative:

Jon Middaugh

M.A. Representative:

Robin Payne

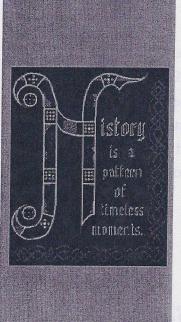
Non-Funded Representative:

Nichola Harris



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HGSA Officers Needed!

During the first weeks of every fall semester the HGSA holds an election of officers for the association. All the positions on the front side of this newsletter are open for nominations and all graduate students resident at the Pullman campus are eligible to run for any of them.

The first HGSA meeting will be held on August 29th at noon in the Deutsch Room (WILS 333), so please attend and see if you would like to participate in the HGSA as either an officer or just a member. Nominations for every position will begin on September 3rd.

The Upcoming Year

Aside from the election of officers in September, the HGSA currently anticipates active involvement in the proposed Public History faculty search as well as in the continuing discussion regarding possible changes in graduate programs.

Further, the Graduate Studies Committee (and the Department) will also be starting their involvement in the Carnegie Initiative on the Doctorate, a multi-institutional study on doctoral programs for history.

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Roger Schlesinger, History Department Chair (5-5816) Steve Kale, Graduate Studies Director (5-3059) Patricia Thorston, Administrative Manager (5-4626) Dwayne Dehlbom, Program Assistant (5-5139) **All the above are in the main office

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