



HARVARD GRADUATE COUNCIL

12 GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS, ONE HARVARD.

THE HARVARD GRADUATE COUNCIL
The Representative Body for All of Harvard's Graduate and Professional Students

April 20th, 2020, 7:00pm-8:30 pm EST

Zoom: <https://harvard.zoom.us/j/99086422718>

I. Welcome – *Bryan* (7:00-7:01)

II. Roll Call – *Mahnoor* (7:01-7:05)

- HBS HDS HES GSAS GSD HGSE HKS HLS HMS HSDM SEAS HSPH
- Approval of the Agenda
- Quick intro from Anna on Harvard Divinity School (HDS)

II. Public Comments (7:05-7:15)

III. Updates and Reports (7:15-7:50)

Executive – *Bryan, Chanthia* (10 mins)

- General Remarks from President
 - COVID-19 update
 - School-wide, [Students vs Pandemics](#) Resources
 - Socialize Remotely
 - Harvard Votes Challenge
 - President Circle Update
 - Rep issues:
 - Student Health coverage (HLS: bar exam moved to fall)
 - Prorated/reimbursement tuition
 - FERPA laws - can HGC relay info to whole Harvard graduate community for the sake of "One Harvard" via Provost office?
- Updates from Vice President
 - Newsletter
 - Mental Health Town Hall, Sunday 4/26 3-5pm EDT
 - Register by Friday 4/20 5pm EDT [here](#)
 - Dr. Barbara Lewis, Brandin Dear, and Tara Cousineau of HUHS/CAMHS and members of the Provost Office will be joining us at 4pm
 - Updates from how each school is doing currently (main school reps quick report)

- HBS: mostly positive - reimbursement and tuition, not cost, but rather not transparent with and involve students, good: reaching out with internships
- HES: already online mostly
- GSAS: worried about funding for next year, discussions with Dean Dench for flexibility on graduation
- GSD: 1) location and physical resource dependent! based on studio type education, collaborative; 2) Dean unavailable due to health reasons
- HGSE: lack of transparency, caught off guard when Bacow email was not received, students pushing for 17% tuition reimbursement, 26% international population - classes at different time zones! collaborative project learning classes + design studios lost value, OPT visas for international students, Many planned to stay in the USA to find work and now are home because of COVID. Their plans to find jobs has changed drastically^[P/F]_[SEP]
- HKS: international students + time zones difficult, mental health event timely! students want outlet to talk, good: grading moved to P/F, housing when flatmates leave, job seeking
- HLS: financial reimbursement issue, lost fight for HLS?, moved to P/F system, call to remove low P, summer internship funding/grants questions, mental health continuing convo
- HSDM: clinical time lost for 3rd 4th year students, putting didactics earlier, discussion
- HSPH: feeling relevant and passionate! lots of student organizing, break leases when left, many are already clinicians have returned to frontlines, young parents difficult for at home stdy

Finance & Student Groups – Jeff (5 mins)

Internal & Governance – Esther & Mahnoor report (2 mins)

Events & Social Engagement– Tracie & Jessica report (2 mins)

- Humans of Harvard (social media launch tomorrow!)
 - See our first feature and nominate our next human [here](#)
- Fireside Chats
- Earth Day [events](#)

Advocacy & Diversity– Jasmin & Geena report (15 mins)

- Statehouse Visit summary with MIT EAB
 - Sexual Misconduct on Higher Education Campuses
 - GEIR - help international students stay in MA post grad
 - Clean energy

- Meeting with Representative Decker (Harvard’s Cambridge campus location) potentially coming up
 - email advocacy@hgc.harvard.edu if interested in joining us
- Information & Communications – Krish & Ragini report**

IV. Presentations (7:50-8:00)

- Erin Kistler, Harvard Alumni Association “The Harvard Alumni Community”

V. Action Items (8:00-8:20)

- New Business
 - Thank you all our [reps](#) for an amazing year! Welcome to new reps!
- Revisiting Old Business

VII. Announcements (8:20-8:25)

VIII. Adjournment

Upcoming Schedule for Rep Hosting

Exec Meetings
4/13) Exec

Date	Sch	Rep	Room	Coffee Time	Coffee Location	Tour?	Drinks Venue	Notified students?
2/3	HGSE	Dante Benson	Larsen 203	8:30am	Gutman Library	Y	Beats Brew Hall	Y
2/24	SEAS	William Qian, Siyi Xu (SEAS council)	Cruft 309	N/A	N/A	N	N/A	
3/9	HSPH	Adam Hunter Chevy Lazenby	Kresge G2	9:30	Kresge Atrium	Y	The Mission	
3/30	GSAS	Rachel Goodyer	Zoom	-	-	-	-	
4/6*	HKS	Esther Kim Vinith Annam	Zoom	-	-	-	-	
4/20	HDS	Anna	Zoom	-	-	-	-	
Past Meetings								
9/9	HSDM	Faraz Shamsi & Frank Zhang						
9/23*	HBS	Kyle & Carly						
10/7	HMS	Miriam Singer	TMEC 227	-	-	Yes	Squealing Pig	Done
10/21	GSD	Sydney Pedigo	Room 111	1-2pm	Lobby	Yes	Grendel's Den	Done
11/4	HKS	Esther & Vinith	Weil Townhall	2-3pm	Cafeteria	Yes	Charlie's	Done
12/2	HES	Jess Ataharul	Thompson Room #110	1-2pm	Baker Center	Yes	TBD	Done