



Meeting Agenda

November 14th 2017; 6:30 PM

Philosophy Hall, Room 301

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Fall Plenary Meeting Schedule
(6:30 PM, Philosophy Hall, Room 301):

- September 12*
- October 10**
- November 14
- December 5

*September location: Lerner Hall, Room 569

**October location Lerner Hall, Room 477

1. Sign-in
2. Approval of October 2017 Minutes (President)
3. Presentation by Columbia Arts Initiative
4. Announcements (President)
 - a. Vote on creation of Ad hoc Committee on Reorganization of Student Representation in GSAS
 - b. Proposed US tax reforms - Tax Reform Action Day (tomorrow, 2-4PM, 302 Philosophy)
 - c. Conference at Trinity University Dublin, Ireland
 - d. Summary of Ivy+ Summit
 - e. Suspension of student group CU-Asia
 - f. Update on plenary meeting location: 301 Philosophy instead of Lerner Hall
5. Committee updates
 - a. Alumni & Career Development
 - i. Past: LinkedIn Workshop and Headshot Session
 - ii. Past: Virtual Networking Hour - Alumni/Student
 - iii. Spring: International Student Seminars
 - iv. Spring: Alumni Ted Style Talks
 - v. Spring: Yearly Alumni/Student Yearly Event w/Social Committee
 - b. Budget & Finance
 - i. Travel Grant Applications due 11/17
 - c. Culture
 - i. White Light Festival: Jordi Savall: *The Routes of Slavery* (Nov. 15)
 - ii. Farinelli and the King, starring Mark Rylance (Feb. 22)
 - d. Quality of Life
 - i. GSAS/GSAC resource guide for students
 - ii. Focus group luncheons
 - e. Social
 - i. Bronx Choice Pantry, 11/16, 8AM-12.30PM
 - ii. Mixer with Teachers College - Unite for Puerto Rico, 11/17, 7-10PM
 - iii. Holiday Party @ The Attic, 12/15, 7PM
6. External Representatives Updates:
 - a. Health (Morningside, CUMC): updates to website (initial testing in January)
 - b. Libraries: report WIFI problem spots to CUIT, temperature in study spaces, density tracker
 - c. Graduate Workers of Columbia (GWC)/Union: bargaining rally (last Wednesday), petition to negotiate recourse against sexual harassment (email krm2152@columbia.edu to join Sexual Harassment Working Group, meets Wednesdays, 7pm)
 - d. IGB
 - e. Disabilities
 - f. ISSO: Travel Signatures (Lerner Hall, 11/15, 12-3PM), Information Session on Employment-Based Visa Options (Faculty House, 11/15, 11AM-1PM)
7. Senators' Updates
8. New Business (Open Forum)
9. Committee sign-ups & Adjournment (President)

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Obtain the floor (the right to speak) by being the first to raise your department placard when the person speaking has finished. You must be recognized by the Chair before speaking.

- No member can speak twice to the same issue until everyone else wishing to speak has spoken to it once.
- The agenda and all committee reports are merely recommendations. When presented to the assembly and the question is stated, debate begins and changes can occur.