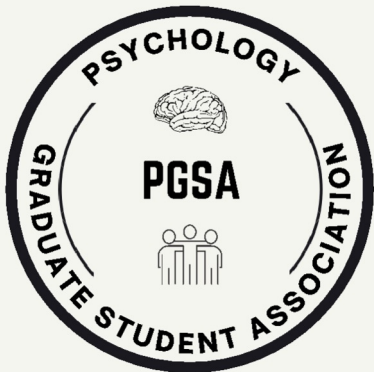


Welcome to the PGSA Faculty Appreciation Event!

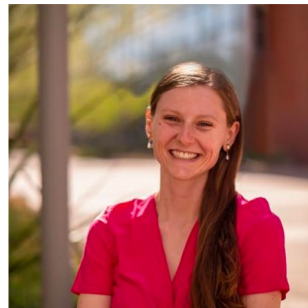


**November 3rd, 2022
3:30-5:00pm
PSY 230**

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**Arizona State
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PGSA 2022 Leadership

- Mary Kuckertz, President
- Holly Molinaro, Vice President
- Hardian Thamrin, Past President
- Jeri Sasser, Media Coordinator
- Eva Bartsch, Secretary
- Christine Yu, Treasurer
- Janna Pickett, Event Coordinator

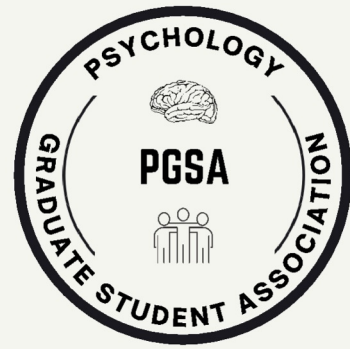


PGSA Aims

- Foster **connection and collaboration** among graduate students by establishing a safe space for social support
- Foster connections with the general public to **disseminate graduate student research** and advance the spread of scientific knowledge



PGSA's Missions



Mentorship



**Fostering
Connection &
Wellness**



**Professional
Development
Opportunities**

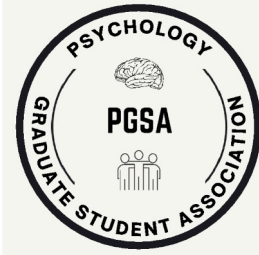


**Community
Service/
Engagement**

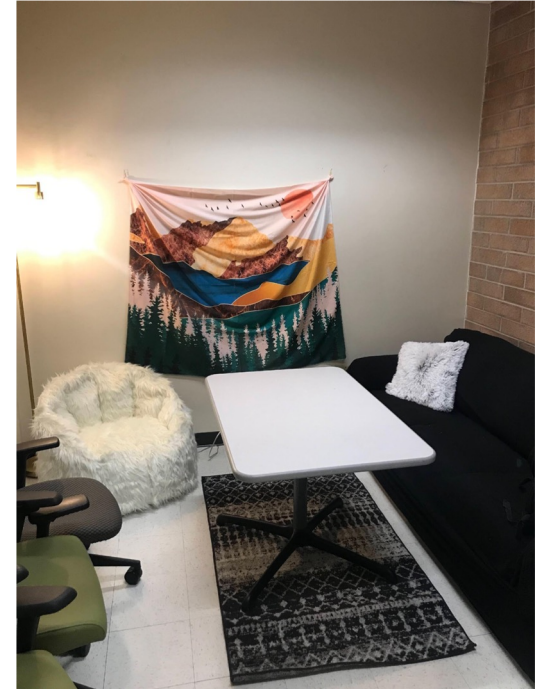
Our Progress

So Far...

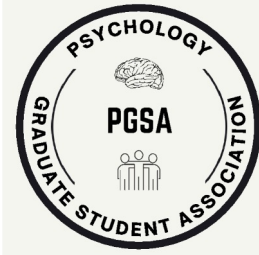
Key Accomplishments



- Established a **graduate student lounge**
 - Fully stocked with snacks & coffee
- Created an **active Slack channel** of over 150 psychology graduate students
- Implemented a **peer mentorship program** with 30+ current mentor-mentee matches



Key Accomplishments



- Hosted several **social events** (more information + pictures shown on the following slides)
- Officially recognized as **non-profit [501(c)(3)]** and gained federal tax-exempt status
- Advocating for positive changes based on survey data collected from our students on cost of living, inflation and burnout

Fall 2022 Welcome Event

- We kicked off the 2022-2023 academic year by throwing a welcome event for first-year and returning psychology graduate students on September 2nd at *Snakes & Lattes*!



Coffee & Donuts Socials

- We've hosted **three** coffee & donut socials (4/21, 9/22, 10/13) in the Graduate Student Lounge (PSYN 368)
- We plan to continue hosting these monthly social events (*next up: November 17th!*)

**October and November social events were partially funded by GPSA*



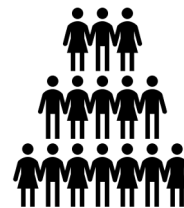
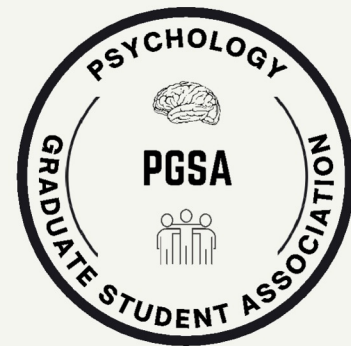
Halloween Social (10/27/22)

Last week, PGSA gathered to enjoy pizza, pumpkin painting & carving, and socializing! We had **25+** students in attendance.



This all could not have been achieved without YOU!

- Thank you to the Department, specifically Chair **Dr. Steve Neuberg**, for providing seed funding for our organization and all the advice when we established this organization
- Thank you for staff members—especially **Grace, Jessi, Wendi, Sharon, and Rob**—for all the support
- Thank you to **several faculty members** who have provided MANY instrumental supports for the creation of the lounge
- Special THANK YOU to **Samantha Anderson** for being willing to serve as our Advisor from the initiation of our organization



GRADUATE STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

"Thanks to PGSA, I've had the chance to meet psychology students in other departments that I never would have otherwise had the chance to meet!"

"As a first-year student, I am very grateful to PGSA for organizing cross-area social events for graduate students in the department. This semester, we had a welcome event at Snakes and Lattes and a Halloween pumpkin carving event just last week. Both were very fun and helped me feel a sense of belonging in the department."

"PGSA Events always brighten my day - to get the chance to chat with fellow psychology grad student peers and share a snack!"

"PGSA has felt like a safe and welcoming space for me as a new graduate student. I've loved being paired with a mentor outside of my area and having monthly events to get to socialize with other students. I am so grateful to those who put their time, energy, and resources into growing this wonderful organization!"

"PGSA has allowed me to get to know students outside my area, and provided a space for us to gather together, work together, and collaborate. PGSA advocating for our needs for things like stipends has been invaluable."

"PGSA has helped me feel more connected to other students in my specific area and also get to know other students I wouldn't have otherwise had the opportunity to meet. PGSA has had a very positive impact on my overall social well-being :)"

“PGSA has really increased the amount of community that I feel within the psychology department at ASU! Thank you so much!!”

“I have really enjoyed attending the events that PGSA had regularly been hosting and providing an opportunity outside of the classroom getting to speak and interact with psychology students outside of my area.”

“I've been in the department for many years and have never felt the sense of community and connection among psychology graduate students as I now do, thanks to PGSA. I am grateful for how PGSA has advocated on our behalf, involved us in important conversations, and worked to build in fun, food, and social connections to balance our very stressful lives. I really hope PGSA can continue this amazing work for years to come.”

“PGSA has had a great impact on my experience as a grad student. They advocate for our needs and provide meaningful experiences that enrich our grad student community. I believe PGSA has been instrumental in improving the lives of grad students, and it's clear how much passion they have for these endeavors!”

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“PGSA has brought together grad students from all areas, especially during the pandemic, and allowed people to feel more of a sense of a community. Through PGSA events, I've gotten to know grad students from other areas that I wouldn't have otherwise met.”

“PGSA gave me an opportunity to gain leadership and advocacy experience at ASU. I got the chance to work with both students and faculty to create foundational support systems that are sustainable and long-term, which was a key need that students outlined in Summer of 2020.”

“Faculty donations to PGSA have made it even more clear that faculty really care about the well being of students. Having the lounge as a space to take a break (and get a snack) when I'm working in my lab all day has been so, so nice.”