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Communication

What's Hot?

- The APAGS Division Student Representative Network (DSRN) continues to grow. Interested divisions are being asked to designate one of their student members as the division's representative to the APAGS-DSRN. Visit <http://www.apa.org/apags/getinv/dsrninstructions.html> for more information.
- The June issue of the APAGS magazine, gradPSYCH will be a special Convention issue. Read about APAGS events and programming for the 2004 annual APA Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii.



At Convention...

- The APAGS Member at Large, Communication Focus will be chairing **Making the Most of APA Convention: Strategies for Graduate Students**. This session will address managing the APA convention, negotiating division and suite programming, networking strategies, and convention survival strategies for diverse student populations.
- Please stop by the **APAGS-DSRN business meeting/social hour** at the APAGS Suite during APA's Annual Convention in Hawaii. This meeting is open to all Division Student Representatives and to those interested in learning more about student leadership in Divisions.

Get Involved!

- A new APAGS listserv dedicated to the dissertation process has been created. The new **dissertation listserv** (APAGS-DISHELP@lists.apa.org) will be a useful resource for students needing advice and direction concerning dissertation issues. Visit <http://www.apa.org/apags/members/listserv.html> or call (202) 336-6014 to join!

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Convention

Get set for the **2004 APA Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, July 28-August 1!** Our convention committee works with APAGS Central Office staff to create a student-centered convention program and promotional materials for: student proposal submissions, student attendance at convention, student social/networking opportunities at convention, and special activities. Keep your eyes peeled for information in the June issue of gradPYSCH magazine for information about student programming and events in Hawaii.

At Convention...

- A full listing of the **APAGS Convention Programming Schedule** can be found at www.apa.org/apags. Plot your schedule now and attend all the APAGS programs you can!
- Don't miss our pre-convention workshops on July 27th!
 - **Graduating and Practicing: Planning for Your Career as a Practitioner**—This program focuses on helping students and early career psychologists identify ways in which they can begin to build personal opportunities within their own areas of interests.
 - **APAGS Pre-convention Internship Workshop**—This workshop will offer students tips on finding a psychology internship and guidance on the Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC) application and match process.
 - **So Many Choices: Finding the Right Doctoral Program**—The goal of this program is to help undergraduate students choose a doctoral program that offers the best fit with one's career goals.
- APAGS will host a series of **'Food for Thought' breakfasts** that will allow students the opportunity to chat with several eminent psychologists.
- As a supplement to the APAGS pre-convention in-depth workshop, two internship breakout groups titled **The Internship Process: Up Close and Personal**, will be held to provide small group interaction between students and training directors.

Get Involved!

- Want to maximize your networking opportunities while attending the APA Convention in Honolulu? Sign-up to be an ambassador for APAGS. If you would be interested in participating in the **APAGS Ambassador program**, email ehorrocks@apa.org.
- Contact us if you are interested in being on the convention committee for a future convention.

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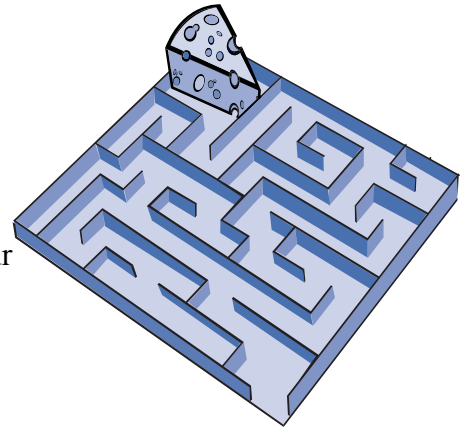
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Science and Research

The support of graduate student research is incredibly important to APA and APAGS. We are currently working to provide resources and opportunities to assist you in your endeavors. We are also focused on making your transition from student to professional as smooth as possible.



What's Hot?

- We are currently working to compile a guide outlining all the benefits that APA and APAGS provide for science students to ensure that these services and resources are known and accessed by graduate students.
- APAGS and the **APA Science Student Council (SSC)** are working together on some important initiatives. First, we are beginning to focus more directly on specific advocacy work for science students. Two issues which are at the forefront are increasing post-doc salaries and benefits and renewing the tax-free status of graduate stipends. Secondly, at SSC's May meeting we will be discussing the possibility of offering a yearly pre-convention workshop on obtaining academic jobs.
- APAGS scholarship deadlines are on the horizon! Most are due by June 14, 2004. Please visit <http://www.apa.org/apags/members/schawrdsintro.html> to learn about APAGS' scholarships and awards and pass this information along so your peers can benefit!

At Convention...

- The process of finding and interviewing for academic jobs is both exciting and somewhat daunting. For this reason, APAGS and the APA Early Career Professionals group are gearing up to present a program entitled **Assistant Professor Applicant?: Tips on the Academic Job Market Application Process** at convention. This workshop will cover topics such as finding academic jobs, navigating the interview process, and tips on giving an outstanding job talk.

Get Involved!

- If you have any ideas, issues, or concerns that you would like to share related to graduate research in psychology or preparing for an academic position, please email patrickb@unr.nevada.edu.



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Ethnic Minority Issues

The APAGS Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs (APAGS-CEMA) works to represent and advocate for ethnic minority graduate students within the discipline of psychology.

What's Hot?

- APAGS has created a **CEMA Student Survey** aimed at assessing students' overall satisfaction with the level of multicultural training offered throughout graduate level curriculum. This survey is also designed to identify and gather information regarding the issues that ethnic minority students continue to face throughout their graduate school experience. Please visit www.apa.org/apags to complete this survey and help APAGS better advocate for your concerns!
- APAGS-CEMA is accepting nominations for its **Kenneth and Mamie Clark Award** for Outstanding Contribution to the Professional Development of Ethnic Minority Graduate Students. If you know of a psychologist (researchers, academics, clinicians, and/or administrators) that you would like to nominate and would like some guidance throughout the nomination process, feel free to contact APAGS-CEMA. The nomination deadline is June 14th, 2004. Visit the APAGS Awards page at <http://www.apa.org/apags/members/schawrds.html> for more information.
- APAGS-CEMA is now accepting proposals for its **Grant Program**. These grants are awarded to graduate students/organizations and provide seed monies to help support the development and implementation of relevant projects or training events for students. The



deadline for proposal submittal is June 1, 2004. You can find more information on the APAGS website at <http://www.apa.org/apags/members/schawrds.html>.

At Convention...

- A **Convention Guide For Ethnic Minority Graduate Students** is under development. The APAGS-CEMA committee wishes to know what topics students would like to have addressed within this guide. Feel free to contact this committee via email to voice your ideas.
- Please stop by the **APAGS-CEMA business meeting/social hour** at the APAGS Suite during APA's Annual Convention in Hawaii.

Get Involved!

- Are you a member of an ethnic minority organization on your campus? Are you interested in developing such an organization? Contact APAGS-CEMA and learn how to become a part of the **Diversity Student Organization Network**.
- We continue to collect information on Ethnic Minority Student Organizations at the campus level. Contact APAGS-CEMA and complete a profile for your organization.

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Education

The Member at Large, Education Focus represents students in the areas of education and training, monitors the climate of training environments and advocates for advances in the quality of education and experience for graduate students.

What's Hot?

- In conjunction with APPIC, the **APA Research Office** is surveying internship applicants in order to track individual, graduate program and internship-level data. The purpose of the survey is to respond to student questions about the availability of internships, and the process and outcomes of this part of graduate training in professional psychology. **If you have not yet had a chance to complete the survey and/or return the informed consent, please do so as soon as possible.** Preliminary results will become available later this summer. For more information, please visit their website at <http://research.apa.org>.
- APAGS continues to provide the student perspective regarding internship issues such as the overall application process, internship supply and demand problems, the need for more part-time internships, and the internship clearinghouse process.
- APAGS continues to advocate politically on several educational legislative initiatives; Campus Care and Counseling Act, Graduate Psychology Education, Higher Education Act.
- Preliminary work has begun on developing a student resource guide for succeeding in practicum.



At Convention...

Finding an internship can be challenging and anxiety-provoking. The APAGS Member at Large, Education Focus will assist in presenting **Navigating the Internship Application Process: Survival Strategies from APAGS and APPIC.**

This program will provide information and suggestions on how to successfully navigate various aspects of the pre-doctoral internship selection process. For those interested in the internship application process, there will also be an in-depth **Pre-convention Internship Workshop** on July 27th from 5-9pm. For more information, please visit www.apa.org/apags.

Get Involved!

- Tell us about your experiences, especially questions that made you uneasy during the internship application process and clearinghouse.

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Diversity

An integral part of the APAGS mission is to advocate for the needs of diverse students within and outside of APA. We serve in various official liaison roles that focus on issues including ethnic heritage, women's issues, ageism, religion, sexual orientation, and disabilities.

What's Hot?

- APAGS is currently working to obtain additional funding for the **Diversity Dissertation Scholarship**.
- Our newly appointed student liaison to the **APA Committee on Disability Issues in Psychology (CDIP)**, Chris Szostak, attended CDIP's business meeting and continues advocating for students with disabilities.

At Convention...

- Female psychology students face difficult challenges and obstacles in trying to merge our identities as psychologists and as women. The Member at Large, Diversity Focus will assist in presenting **Women Supporting Women: Mentoring Between APAGS and Eminent Psychologists**. This program will address current and possible mentoring practices of women in psychology.

Get Involved!

- **Join an APAGS listserv** and gain support from other students with similar experiences. Visit <http://www.apa.org/apags/members/listserv.html> to learn more.

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LGBT Issues

The APAGS Committee for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Concerns (APAGS-CLGBTC) addresses issues and concerns important to LGBT graduate students and makes recommendations regarding the integration of these issues into APAGS activities.

What's Hot?

- Join our **National Mentoring Program for LGBT Graduate Students** where individuals are paired with licensed professionals who assist them through a myriad of graduate phases from application to dissertation.
- CLGBTC is working together with APAGS-CEMA, the Member at Large - Diversity Focus, and the Executive Committee to provide training programs with access to APA Guidelines related to diversity, including the *APA Guidelines for Working with Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Clients* (2000).

At Convention...

- Look for the premiere of the **LGBT Guide to Graduate School** to be available at Convention in Hawaii.
- Stop by the **Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Concerns (CLGBTC) Open Business Meeting/Social Hour** in the APAGS Suite.

Get Involved!

- Contact us if you have any suggestions, comments or concerns related to LGBT issues in psychology.

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Legislative Advocacy

The APAGS Advocacy Coordinating Team (APAGS-ACT) continues to address legislative issues that impact psychology graduate students, our profession, and the clients we serve. APAGS-ACT also coordinates the network of student representatives that serves as the pipeline for information to and from APAGS and the students on your campus.

What's Hot?

- APAGS-ACT has a new, updated database which allows for tracking of schools without current representation in order to broaden the scope of APAGS and increase advocacy among graduate students.
- APAGS-ACT is enhancing its monthly report templates throughout all levels of the ACT network to allow for on-line submission and increased communication of campus issues to the APAGS committee.
- APAGS-ACT is currently developing tools and resources that will allow Campus Representatives to assume greater responsibility and better represent APAGS on their respective campuses and to their state and regional psychological associations.

Advocacy Efforts

- APAGS-ACT provides continued guidance to help you **lobby your legislators** on important issues that will benefit psychologists, psychology graduate students, and consumers of psychological services. Recent issues have included: Mental health parity; Funding for internship placements; Post-doc remuneration; Promotion of licensure upon completion of the doctoral degree; Children's access to mental health services; Graduate Psychology Education, and the Campus Care and Counseling Act.
- The ACT Committee and select State Advocacy Coordinators recently attended the **2004 State Leadership Conference** where they engaged in advocacy training and visited Capital Hill to lobby for legislation favorable to psychologists.
- APAGS is promoting use of the legislative tools online at www.apapractice.org which allows students to draft automatic, electronic letters to their legislators by simply typing in their zip code.



At Convention...

- Please stop by the **APAGS-ACT business meeting/social hour** at the APAGS Suite during APA's Annual Convention in Hawaii. This meeting is open to all APAGS Campus Representatives, State Advocacy Coordinators, Regional Advocacy Coordinators and students who wish to learn more about legislative advocacy activities and the ACT Network.



Legislative Advocacy (Continued)

Get Involved!

- Learn about the **Campus Care and Counseling Act**—On March 12th, legislation was introduced to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 and authorize \$10 million in competitive grants to centers on college campuses that provide mental and behavioral health services to students. These funds could be used to increase and improve services on campus to better meet the psychological health needs of students in an effort to increase academic success in college. Find out how to take action and urge your Senators to cosponsor the Campus Care and Counseling Act here: <http://www.apa.org/ppo/ppan/counsalerts304.html>.
- Keep your eyes open for new “action alerts” forwarded to you by your APAGS Campus Representative. Contact your legislators according to the easy-to-follow instructions...you CAN make a difference.
- Become an APAGS **Campus Representative** or **State Advocacy Coordinator**.
- Visit www.apapractice.org!

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General Issues

The APAGS Member at Large - General Focus develops initiatives, projects, and outreach programs that target emerging student needs.

What's Hot?

- The APAGS Member at Large - General Focus is helping to plan for APAGS' future through developing a strategic plan and focusing on membership issues.

At Convention...

- Don't forget to stop by the APAGS booth in the main convention center to chat with APAGS committee members and staff. Find out how to get involved with APA and APAGS and pick up valuable resources created for students by students.

Get Involved!

- Contact us about psychology graduate student needs and issues.

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Executive Committee

On March 26-28, 2004 the full APAGS Committee met at the Spring APA Consolidated meeting. The Committee tackled a full agenda and examined the role-related goals of each committee member. The Committee also continued the development of a comprehensive strategic plan. The purpose of the plan is to drive APAGS activities and provide a baseline for measuring success. A draft of the plan was approved and will be revised annually.

What's Hot?

- o Members of the APAGS Executive Committee serve in many liaison roles. Recent meetings attended include:
 - **Board of Director's Task Force on Sexual Orientation and Military Service-** Consists of representatives of APA, Division 19 (Military Psychology) and Division 44 (Society for the Psychological Study of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Issues) to address policy issues pertaining to sexual orientation and military service.
 - **Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB)-**The association of psychology licensing boards in the United States and Canada that coordinates the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) and other programs assisting licensure of psychologists and students preparing to enter the profession.
 - **10th Trilateral Forum on Professional Psychology-**The Trilateral Forum is composed of professional psychology organizations and leaders across the U.S., Canada and Mexico to address issues related to globalization and its impact on professional psychology. Topics such as training, education, accreditation, competencies, licensure, and mobility as it relates to practice are discussed. Members of the Trilateral Forum are working on a meta-code of ethics that may be used across countries that stresses different cultural perspectives.

At Convention...

- o Interested in data regarding entry-level salaries for a variety of psychology jobs? Our APAGS Past-Chair will help present, **What You're Worth: Managing Salary Negotiations and Knowing the Data in Psychology**.
- o Come discuss ethical dilemmas faced by students at **Ethical Issues Faced by Graduate Students: Social Relationships, Supervision, Authorship**.

Get involved!

Keep an eye on the APAGS website for additional information about APA and APAGS!

www.apa.org/apags

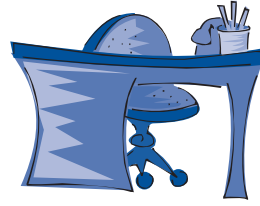
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Central Office Update



Election Results

APAGS is pleased to announce the results of the 2004 APAGS Elections! You have elected the following students to represent you on the Committee for the American Psychological Association of Graduate Students:

- **Yaron (Ron) Rabinowitz**, Chair-Elect (Aug 2004 - Aug 2007)
- **Kelly Arnemann**, Member at Large, Diversity Focus (Aug 2004 - Aug 2006)
- **Laura Reigada**, Member at Large, General Focus (Aug 2004 - Aug 2006)
- **Jason Frizzell**, Member at Large, Research/Academic Focus (Aug 2004 - Aug 2006)

The following Sub-Committee Chairs have been appointed by the APAGS Executive Committee:

- **John Pachankis**, Chair, Committee for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Concerns-CLGBTC (Aug 2004-Aug 2006)
- **Nichole Wood-Barcalow**, Chair, Advocacy Coordinating Team-ACT (Aug 2004-Aug 2006)
- **Nadia Hasan**, Chair, Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs-CEMA (Aug 2004-Aug 2006)
- **Rufus Gonzales**, Chair, Convention Committee (Aug 2004-Aug 2006)

Thank you to everyone who voted in the elections and especially to those who participated as candidates in the 2004 APAGS Elections.

National Latina/o Psychological Association-Call for Proposals

The National Latina/o Psychological Association is pleased to announce a call for proposals for its upcoming conference, Advancement in Latino Psychology 2004: Strengthening Psychology through Latino Family Values, to be held in Scottsdale, Arizona from November 18-21, 2004. **The deadline for submission is June 1, 2004.** Use the following link to find out more about the conference and submitting proposals online: <http://www.thewisdomgroup.net/nlpa/call.html>.

At Convention...

- While at APA's Annual Convention, make sure to stop by the **APAGS Booth** in the Hawaii Convention Center to chat with APAGS committee members and staff. There, students can find out how to get involved with APA and APAGS and can pick up valuable publications—created by students, for students.





Central Office Update Continued...

*APAGS committee members and staff represent students to many **boards and committees** in and affiliated with the APA. This involvement helps students have a voice in shaping the policies and initiatives that will affect them and their future. Some recent meetings include:*

Psychology Executives Roundtable (PER)-PER is composed of executives and leaders of various psychological organizations in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. Organizational information is exchanged to facilitate ongoing communication and understanding about psychology developments across countries and groups.

APA Practice Directorate’s State Leadership Conference-The State Leadership Conference brings the leaders of State, Provincial and Territorial Psychological Associations, APA Practice Divisions, Diversity Delegates, APA Public Education Campaign Coordinators, Federal Advocacy Coordinators, APAGS Regional and State Advocacy Coordinators and others together to develop leadership skills for legislative advocacy. The conference lays out the annual legislative agenda for practice in psychology and culminates with visits to elected official on Capitol Hill.

APA Consolidated Business Meetings-APA Boards and Committees meet twice annually to conduct business during concurrent business meetings. The APAGS Committee met to chart the course of their activities and initiatives for the next 6 months and completed a comprehensive strategic plan for the graduate student association.

Graduate Student Town Hall Meeting at the Southwestern Regional Psychological Association Conference-APAGS conducted a town hall meeting to discuss issues that matter most to graduate students, such as: internships, mentoring, obtaining research funding, financing a graduate education, getting quality supervision, finding your first job in psychology, post-docs, balancing work and family, planning for tenure, and preparing for licensure.

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APAGS 2004 Scholarships and Awards!

APAGS is now accepting applications for its 2004 scholarships, grants and awards, which recognize students and those who support them for excellence in several areas. The application and nomination deadline is **June 14, 2004** except when noted otherwise.



The awards are:

- **The David Pilon Scholarship for Training in Professional Psychology**, a \$1,000 scholarship to support training and education in professional practice.
- **The Ellin Bloch and Pierre Ritchie Honorary Scholarship**, a \$1,000 prize that honors research on a social issue or underrepresented group in psychology; the 2004 topic is “Resilience.”
- **The Larry J. Bass Jr. Memorial Scholarship Award**, a \$1,000 scholarship for research on the regulation of psychology, such as research on the history of psychology’s licensure and certification.
- **The Scott Mesh Honorary Scholarship for Research in Psychology**, a \$1,000 prize for dissertation research in any field of psychology.
- **The Raymond D. Fowler Award**, which honors a psychologist who has made an outstanding contribution to students’ professional development.
- **The Department of the Year Award**, a \$1,000 prize that honors a graduate psychology department for excellence in meeting students’ needs.
- **The Diversity Dissertation Scholarship**, a \$1,000 prize to support a nearly completed dissertation or other proposed research on diversity.
- **The Nancy B. Forest and L. Michael Honaker Master’s Scholarship for Research in Psychology**, a \$1,000 award for thesis research at the master’s level in any field of psychology.
- **The Kenneth and Mamie Clark Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Professional Development of Ethnic Minority Graduate Students**, which honors an ethnic-minority psychologist for contributions to the academic and professional development of minority students.
- **The APAGS Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs Grant Program**, which offers several \$500 grants to support projects on recruiting, retaining and enhancing the training of ethnic-minority graduate students. *The application deadline is July 1.*
- **The APA/APAGS Award for Distinguished Professional Contribution by a Graduate Student**, a \$1,000 prize that honors a graduate student for his or her work with an underserved population. The award offers free travel to APA’s Annual Convention in Honolulu. *The application deadline is May 31.*

For application instructions and submission guidelines, visit
www.apa.org/apags/members/schawrdsintro.html.