GSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **NEW COVID VACCINE UPDATES!** Read the official announcement here!
  - Johns Hopkins University will **strongly encourage, but no longer require**, at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.

- Are you graduating this year? **Cap and Gown pick up** will be available 9:00AM - 4:00PM April 29th and 30th.
  - You can check the status of your regalia order here.

- **JHUSOM Learning Environment Survey**
  - Survey responses are ANONYMOUS, survey takes 5-10 minutes.
  - 40 Winners will receive a Johns Hopkins Coffee Travel Mug.

- **New Coffee Spot!** Cortado Coffee Bar is now open in the JHH Cafeteria.
  - Open Mon-Fri 7am to 1pm.
  - Serving espresso drinks, hot and iced coffee, assorted pastries, waffle breakfast sandwiches and avocado toast.

- **Call for Nominations - Diversity Recognition Awards**
  - Due TODAY April 5th Nominate a fellow student, faculty, staff or alumni.

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FEATURES
- Want your groups event to be featured in the Newsletter? Please email me!
UPCOMING GSA EVENTS

APRIL

Did you know? All event links can be found at https://lnk.bio/jhmi_gsa

MOONFLOWER GALA

APRIL 26, 2024
THE ASSEMBLY ROOM
316 GUILFORD AVE, BALTIMORE, MD, 21202
7:00 - 11:00 pm

$35 PER TICKET
MAX 2 TICKETS PER PERSON

TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE MARCH 6TH ON HOPKINS GROUPS

Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN MY TICKET PURCHASE?
Tickets are all inclusive and will include appetizers, dinner, bar service (beer and wine), fabulous music, and professional photographs. Photographs will be shared via a link though allgrad and in the linktree posted on our socials lnk.bio/jhmi.gsa.

HOW DO I PURCHASE TICKETS?
Tickets are $35 per person with a maximum of 2 tickets available per person. Ticket sales are on a first come first serve basis. Tickets will be available at 12:00pm (noon), March 6th on the JHU SOM GSA Hopkins Groups Page.

WHO CAN COME?
SOM Graduate Students are able to purchase up to two (2) tickets in which the first ticket must be for a JHU SOM Graduate Student and the second can be a non-Hopkins affiliate. ONLY SOM Graduate Students are allowed to purchase tickets. Hopkins affiliates who are not SOM can attend as a guest of a current SOM Graduate Student.

IS THERE A THEME AND DRESS CODE?
Yes, our theme for the formal is the Moonflower Gala. Moonflower are a species of nocturnal plants that only bloom at night illuminating a beautiful bloom and fragrant display. Dress code is FORMAL attire only.

HOW DO I GET THERE?
The Assembly Room is located at 615 Guilford Ave, Baltimore MD 21202. It is located within walking distance of the JHMI Peabody shuttle stop. Alternatively it is within the JHU Blue Jay Shuttle Radius (you must have a designated JHU campus location as a pick up or drop off spot to use this service). Alternatively you could drive. There are ample parking garages and public parking lots nearby.

CAN I GET A REFUND IF I CAN NO LONGER ATTEND?
Tickets are NON-REFUNDABLE. You can however transfer your ticket to another SOM Graduate Student.

GSA invites you to apply for the April Student Spotlight

Have you or a peer recently* achieved something amazing?

LET US KNOW!
You could win a $35 Gift Card to Amazon and get featured on our Website and socials!

Nominations are due Apr 10

*Achievement must be from current academic term, July 1st 2021 - Present

Visit the link in our bio or scan the QR to Nominate!

April GENERAL BODY MEETING

Join us and hear about GSA updates, upcoming events, Spotlight Winners, and FREE Food!

APRIL 17TH
LOCATION: PCTB113
5pm to 6pm

APRIL GBM GUEST SPEAKERS

• Sheena Brown, Office of Diversity, Inclusion, & Health Equity – How to get involved in JHU DEI efforts!
GSA STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

March 2024 Winners

Irika Sinha

NERUOSCIENCE

Irika is an exceptional advocate for her fellow students. She currently serves as a member of the TRU-UE bargaining committee and has been working to improve the working conditions for all PhD students across the university by donating countless hours of her time to this cause. Furthermore, she has been successful in her career development. She completed an industry internship at Arcus Biosciences to start the year where she brought publicly available genomic perturbation datasets in-house and mined genomic perturbation datasets for relevant cancer target interactions and new target validation.

Rodnie Colon-Ortiz

NERUOSCIENCE

During this current school year Rodnie has seen exceptional success in scientific endeavors. He has presented his research at multiple conferences. He also recently had some of his PhD work published in his first 1st author publication. "Cocaine regulates antiretroviral therapy CNS access through pregnane-x receptor-mediated drug transporter and metabolizing enzyme modulation at the blood brain barrier" in the Springer Nature Journal, "Fluids and Barriers of the CNS"
OTHER EVENTS

- **Professional Development Career Office** [Event Calendar]
- **PHutures** [Event Calendar]
- **Student Health and Well Being** [Event Calendar]
- **Trans Awareness Task Force Listening Session** [Register]
  - April 2nd to April 5th, Virtual and In Person
  - Listening sessions on Trans and Gender Expansive experiences at Johns Hopkins University (JHU).
- **2024 Cunningham Lecture in Medical Innovation and Entrepreneurship** [Register]
  - April 9th @ 4PM in person at the Strauch Auditorium (Armstrong Medical Blgd)
  - Lecture to be given by: Dr. Valina L. Dawson, Professor of Neurology, Director of Neuroregeneration and Stem Cell Programs at the Institute for Cell Engineering
- **The Hopkins Medicine Distinguished Speaker Series - A Conversation with Dr. Vivek Murthy, United States Surgeon General** [Register]
  - April 8th @ 6-7PM in person at the Strauch Auditorium (Armstrong Medical Blgd)
  - Pre-event Dinner and Reception to begin at 5:30PM
- **Introduction to Science Advocacy and Policy Workshop Series w/FASEB** [Register by April 9th]
  - April 25th @ 6PM, Virtual & In-Person Presentations
  - A 5-part series with experts from the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology

RECURRENT EVENTS

- **Mindfulness Walks**
- **The Counseling Center Workshops**
- **Chat with a Counselor**
- **JHU Meditation Group**
- **Sci'More Podcast Question Submission**
- **Cooley Center**
- **Peabody Classical Music Concerts**

APPLICATION REMINDERS

- **The 2024 Reverend Melvin N. Tuggle Community Excellence Award**
  - Application DUE: 4/1/24, Contact: mbrown61@jhmi.edu
- **Laskar Essay**, Application DUE: 4/2/24 at 2PM ET
- **Google PHD Fellowship Program**, Application DUE: 4/9/24
- **Graduate Student Funding Opportunities**
- **The New! PDCO Jobs Board**
- **AstraZeneca Summer Internship**
- **Biomedical Careers Initiative Internships**
RESOURCES

- 15 Minute Papers Podcast
- Biomedical Odyssey Blog
- Calm App
- Family & Caregiving Programs
- Health Education Program Requests
- Hopkins Biotech Podcast
- JHU Counseling Center Virtual Discussion Spaces
- JHU ReVision Editors
- Once a Scientist Podcast: Apple, Spotify, Stitcher
- SilverCloud
- UHS Wellness Resources
- Well-Being Consultations