

# N JHUSOM GSA NEWSLETTER



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## NEED - 2- KNOW'S



- Take advantage of GSA subsidized parking!
- Did you know the GSA offers Travel Awards?
- Have you read about our advocacy work lately?
- Join our Hopkins Group page for exclusive content!
- Stay informed! Join our General Body Meetings!

## GSA ANNOUNCEMENTS


- Tax season is fast approaching! **Taxes are due April 15th!**
  - GSA is planning a Tax event in March! Details TBA at a later date!
  - Electronic **W2** is available on ESS (Employee Self Service)
  - Electronic **1098-T** is available on SIS (Student Information System)
- Make sure you reply to the **MANDATORY Mentoring Survey from OGBE**.
  - Individual links were sent to your email. **Responses are due by March 15th!**
- Our next **General Body Meeting** is **March 13th** from **5-6 pm**, in **PCTB113**.
  - Free food is ALWAYS provided, come join the GSA as we share important advocacy updates and news about some exciting upcoming events!
- Time to get your dresses hemmed and your suits tailored...cause you heard right! GSA is hosting a **Spring formal** on April 26th! Details on page 2!
- Did you read the news? **Cooley Center is to remain OPEN** until end of July or early August!  
[Read More!](#)
- **Masking is no longer required but is strongly recommended** in JH Medicine Clinical locations  
[Read More!](#)
- Please take a moment to **nominate the 2024 Graduate Student Convocation Speaker!**
  - Nominations are open until **Monday March 4th at 11:59pm**.
- Please take a moment to **nominate an outstanding faculty mentor for the Graduate Student Teaching Award!**
  - Nominations are open until **Monday March 4th at 11:59pm**.



## CONTACT US

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## FEATURES

Want your groups event to be featured in the Newsletter?  
Please email me!

# UPCOMING

# GSA EVENTS



## MARCH

Did you know? All event links can be found at [https://lnk.bio/jhmi\\_gsa](https://lnk.bio/jhmi_gsa)

GSA Invites you to apply for the

March

## Student Spotlight

Have you or a peer recently\*  
achieved something amazing?

**LET US KNOW!**

You could win a \$25 Gift Card to Amazon and  
get featured on our Website and Socials!

**Nominations are due Mar 8th**

\*Achievement must be from  
current academic term,  
July 1st 2023 - Present



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

## March

### GENERAL BODY MEETING

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

**MARCH 13TH**

**LOCATION: PCTB 113**

**5pm to 6pm**



**MOONFLOWER GALA**

APRIL 26, 2024  
THE ASSEMBLY ROOM  
316 GUILFORD AVE, BALTIMORE, MD, 21202

7:00 - 11:00 pm

TICKETS WILL BE  
AVAILABLE **MARCH 6TH**  
ON HOPKINS GROUPS

**\$35 PER TICKET**  
MAX 2 TICKETS PER PERSON

OFFICE OF ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION  
OFFICE OF GRADUATE BIOMEDICAL EDUCATION

## MANDATORY MENTORING SURVEY

**PLEASE RESPOND BY MARCH 15**

CHECK YOUR EMAILS FOR  
YOUR INDIVIDUAL LINK

SOM students, please fill out the survey  
to provide feedback about your  
experiences with your mentor/advisor at  
the Johns Hopkins University School of  
Medicine (JHUSOM).

Your feedback will help the Office of  
Graduate Biomedical Education (GBE)  
monitor the mentoring experiences of  
graduate students and identify areas  
where support may be needed.

The survey **takes approximately 10  
minutes** to complete. Your responses  
are **completely anonymous**.



## GRADUATE STUDENT TEACHING AWARD

NOMINATIONS DUE MARCH 4TH

Please nominate a School of Medicine Graduate  
Faculty member who has made an exceptional  
contribution to graduate teaching and mentoring. The  
recipient of this award will be recognized at this  
year's School of Medicine convocation.

## NOMINATE NOW

*Graduate Student  
Convocation Speaker*

The graduating Ph.D. or  
master's student will  
give a 5-minute speech  
during this year's  
Convocation.

Nominations are due:  
**March 4th**



You may either nominate your  
classmates or self-nominate



# GSA STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## February 2024 Winners

### Katie Irwin

#### NEUROSCIENCE

Recently, Katie's study identifying a novel biomarker for TDP-43 dysfunction measurable in patient biofluids was published! (doi: 10.1038/s41591-023-02788-5). Neurodegenerative diseases such as ALS include pathology of TDP-43 in patient samples but no cure or useful biomarkers yet exist. This biomarker is detectable in both CSF and blood and there is future potential for it to diagnose people with TDP-43-related diseases early!



### Sydney Shannon

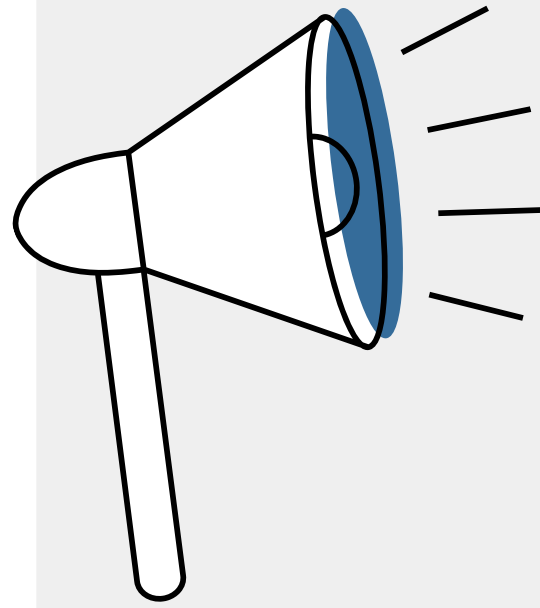
#### BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

In the Fall term, I was awarded the NIH Ruth L. Kirschstein Predoctoral Individual National Research Service Award (F31 award) for my proposal entitled "Tri-Signal Artificial Antigen Presenting Cells for Cancer Immunotherapy". I worked really really hard on this grant application for almost 6 months, so it felt very rewarding to get it!



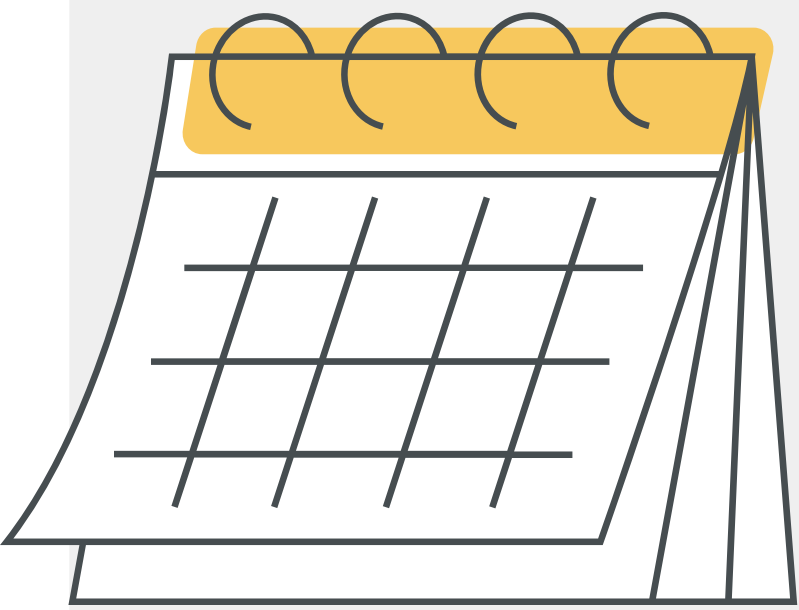
## OTHER EVENTS

- **Professional Development Career Office** [Event Calendar!](#)
- **PHutures** [Event Calendar!](#)
- **Student Health and Well Being** [Event Calendar!](#)
- **SOM Graduate Student Wellness Series:** Nutrition/Fostering healthy eating habits
  - Dietician Rayven Nairn: **March 6th** at **2-3pm** in the **Bodian Room** (2nd floor 1830 Bldg)
  - Snacks will be provided! [RSVP](#)
- **NEW! Campus as a Living Lab** [More Info](#)
  - Info Session: **March 5th** at **12pm**, Virtual [Register](#)
- **Empower Your Pitch Competition** [More Info](#)
  - Round 1: *Unleashing Your Ideas* **March 7th** at **3pm** on **Zoom**
  - Round 2: *Refining Your Pitch* **March 28th** at **3pm** on **Zoom**
  - Round 3: *Shine On Stage* **April 9th** at **3pm**, **In-Person**, details TBD
- **The Watkins Outpatient Center Starbucks is NOW OPEN!**
  - Operating hours are Monday to Friday from 6:30am to 5pm
  - Please be advised that the Wolfe St Starbucks has since closed.



## RECURRING 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
- [Diversity Innovation Grant](#)
  - **Application DUE** March 6th, **Awards:** \$1000-\$10,000
- [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](#)
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