

NAGPS Weekly News

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE NEWS

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION EXTENDED, LATE REGISTRATION FEE \$25

Registration for the NAGPS National Conference has been extended until November 8, 2009. Please register as soon as possible. Late registrations will be taken but may incur a \$25 late fee. http://www.viethconsulting.com/members/evr/reg_event.php?orgcode=NGPS&evid=1863229

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE-PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS 2009 NATIONAL AWARDS NOMINATIONS, DUE NOVEMBER 8, 2009

Each year since 1995, the National Association of Graduate and Professional Students has presented annual awards to individuals and organizations that have contributed to graduate and professional education and helped improve the quality of life for our nation's graduate and professional students.

To nominate an individual/organization for an award please see: <http://www.creativecampus.poxmedia.com/node/169>.

2009 NAGPS National Award Categories

Graduate/Professional Student Organization of the Year: For outstanding service at the local and national levels to their respective institution and NAGPS.

Advisor of the Year: A faculty or staff member at a NAGPS member institution who has provided extraordinary service to graduate/professional students on your campus.
Officer of the Year: For sustained, exceptional service to NAGPS member institution who has created and/or improved their graduate student organization. (This is not an award for board members, but they can be nominated by their institutions.)

Region of the Year: This award will be given to the region who has displayed a high involvement on all levels with NAGPS and demonstrates a sustained commitment to NAGPS core values. A regional coordinator can nominate themselves or a regional institution can nominate their region.

The 2009 NAGPS Awards are primarily designed to recognize excellence during the 2008-09 academic year. An Awards Committee appointed by the NAGPS Board of Directors will select the winners. NAGPS Decisions of the Committee are final. Individuals nominated must be Individual Members of NAGPS or

must attend a campus where the graduate/professional student organization is a member of NAGPS. For additional information, visit the NAGPS website at www.nagps.org or please contact secretary@nagps.org.

NAGPS REGISTRATION AND DUES PAYMENTS

If you plan to pay your registration or dues by check, please fax a copy of your check(s) prior to mailing to Nancy Graves NAGPS Vice-President at (205)-561-1187. This will ensure that you are recorded as a member in good standing and registered for the conference.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE BIDS

Interested in hosting the next National Conference or the Regional Conference in your area? An official Call for National Conference Bids can be found here:

<http://www.nagps.org/files/NAGPS%20National%20Conference%20Bids.pdf>

ELECTION OF NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Are you interested in serving on the NAGPS Board of Directors?

Call for Candidates: <http://www.nagps.org/files/NAGPS%20Call%20for%20Candidates%202009.pdf>

Nomination Form:

http://www.nagps.org/files/NAGPS_Nomination_Form.doc

inDegree

Dear NAGPS Member,

One of the many challenges we face this year is the difficult job market that students will enter after they graduate. That's why NAGPS and inDegree are working together to help graduate students find jobs and stay connected, and to help you—a graduate student leader—connect with grad students at your university.

inDegree.com is the only professional networking website designed by graduate students for graduate students—no other organization focuses on graduate-professional student placement success. inDegree offers more than 500,000 job listings specifically posted for individuals with a graduate degree only. Grad students can also connect with alumni from their graduate program to expand their social network and maximize job opportunities.

This partnership will better serve the graduate-professional student community by improving job placement and professional networking. NAGPS will begin collecting data on graduate student placement success to help bring national attention to this critical issue. inDegree's services are free, and it only takes 5–10 minutes to create an in-depth profile.

I encourage each of you to create an account for your university or graduate student association as well as invite your fellow graduate students through your email list-serv's. Creating an account only takes a few minutes and the website will walk you through the signup process. However, inDegree can also provide additional support, such as a customized student fact sheet to email to your graduate students.

inDegree's Student Outreach Director, Carsten Jacobi, is available to help you with any questions or requests. Carsten can also help you create your account. You can reach Carsten at (727) 698-1118, or cjacobi@indegree.com.

I look forward to connecting with everyone on inDegree!

Sincerely,

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Dear NAGPS lobbyists,

I want to thank each of you for making the trip to Washington and including FRPAA in your lobbying efforts. Having lawmakers hear students support Open Access is incredibly important, and I'm confident that the conversations you had last week will help build significant momentum for this legislation to move forward.

We would like to highlight your efforts and bring up your support in our conversations with each of the offices you visited. Toward that end, I would appreciate it if you could send me a quick email to let me know which offices you were able to speak with, whom you met with in each office, and how the conversations went.

Thanks again for your important work last week, and I hope you all had a great time in Washington!

Best,

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