Notes: 8-20-13
*For those of you who were unable to attend our first GSA meeting of the year, please refer to the items listed below. They may help you determine who to contact with particular questions and/or include specific tips/deadlines to be aware of and mark on your calendars!

Application for Conference Attendance:
CCI Representative for GSS (Graduate Student Senate), Martijn Van Kelegom, spoke with GSA members regarding deadlines and procedures for conference attendance. In order to receive financial assistance when traveling to a conference, a student must first apply using the GSS webpage http://web.utk.edu/~gss/. Click on the Travel Awards link. There you can find the Travel Award Application as well as a list of procedures and deadlines. Note: it is likely that you will only receive financial assistance for ONE conference per school year. So, choose the conference that will be most beneficial to your interests and that you will need the MOST financial assistance in order to attend.*

Elections:

2013-14 GSA Officers

President - Stephen Spates
Vice President, Adv/PR - Meena Venkitasubramanian
Vice President, CMST - Rick Curry
Vice President, IS - Rebecca Davis
Vice President, JEM - Ivanka Pjesivac
Vice President, Masters Students - Erica Jenkins
Secretary - Heather Tidwell
Treasurer - Jackie Cameron
Social Chairs - Shelby Smith (MS)/ 1 PhD student needed*
Awards Chairs - Michelle Garland (PhD)/Paisleigh Kelly (MS)
Outreach Chairs - Laura Lemon (PhD) / 1 MS student needed*

*Positions are still available. Please contact Stephen Spates at ccigsa@gmail.com if you are interested.

New Officers: Please send an email with your name, position and email address to Heather Tidwell, htidwell@utk.edu. This will streamline the communication process if other members have specific needs/questions for officers.

Final Notes:

This will be GSA's make it or break it year! We hope to have as much student involvement as possible and are open to ideas and suggestions. Please contact us if you have any questions or comments at ccigsa@gmail.com. We look forward to a fabulous year!

Travel Award Deadlines*
Fall Conferences: Sep 1-Jan 12 App Deadline: Sep 3rd by 5:00 pm
Spring Conferences: Jan 13 –April 30 App Deadline: Jan 13th by 5:00 pm
Summer Conferences: May 1-August 31 App Deadline: April 28th by 5:00 pm