The Graduate and Professional Student Federation (GPSF) Newsletter is sent out twice per month to communicate information about social and intellectual events on campus, funding opportunities, public service opportunities, and more, to the graduate and professional student population at UNC-Chapel Hill. If you have questions regarding content or use of the list, please email gpsfsecretary@unc.edu.

It’s that time again! Lots of transportation updates in this one so please read. Make sure you check out our new and improved GPSF Website for more information between newsletters.

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Announcements and GPSF News

Sexual Assault Task Force Updates

The next meeting of the Sexual Assault Task Force, formed to address the policy on student complaints of harassment, sexual misconduct and discrimination, will be on June 5th. All the meetings that will occur this summer—about once weekly—will be reported on in blog format by the committee chair, Christi Hurt. If you have any questions, concerns or feedback, please send them to Kiran Bhardwaj (gpsfpresident@unc.edu).

For up to date information on the progress of SATF, please refer to their blog.

Robertson Express Bus Information

Effective January 7, 2013, the Robertson Express Bus serving UNC and Duke Universities will be offered through Triangle Transit. The UNC Department of Public Safety has announced the following methods to continue to access this service: Robertson scholars will get a free pass from program administrators. Commuting Students and Permanent Employees are eligible for a free GoPass but certain restrictions apply. Please see our GradAlert! page for more information. Inter-institutional commuters must pay $2.50 per trip or purchase passes from http://triangletransit.org/bus/online-store.

Park and Ride Fee Information

Per the UNC Department of Public Safety’s 5-year Transportation Plan, passes to park at UNC Park and Ride lots, located at the Friday Center, Hedrick Bldg., Hwy. 54, Chatham, Franklin St. and 725 MLK, will no longer be available free of charge to commuters though the Commuter Alternative Program (CAP). Parking at these Park and Ride lots will now cost $227 for students. For more information about this fee and what you can do to offset the cost, please see our GradAlert! page.

Does your department have a GPSF Senator?

Each degree-granting program is eligible to send a representative to the GPSF Senate, which is the main graduate student legislative body, granting monetary allocations, approving appropriations for events, overseeing travel awards, and enacting resolutions. To be eligible for allocations through GPSF, your department should designate a representative. Want to find out if your department does for 2013-14? See the GPSF Senate page for more information.
Road Closures and CHT Bus Schedule Changes

Due to the S. Columbia St widening project to add more lanes for cars, buses and bikes, and road work being done at the intersection of Stadium Dr. and South Rd, many of the CHT bus routes have been changed. Please refer to the CHT website for updated routes and schedules.

The southbound route of S. Columbia will be closed between Manning Dr. and Purefoy Rd until mid-August. The intersection of Stadium Dr. and South Rd will be closed until the end of May for electric work. Cameron Avenue will be closed between S. Columbia St and the Swain parking lot until mid-August to replace a water main.

Access to Campus Health and Student Rec during the Summer

For those of you not taking classes this summer, you can still gain access to Campus Recreation and Campus Health Services.

**Campus Rec:** Go to the One Card Office located on the side of the Student Stores in the Pit (in between the Union and the Student Stores). Bring $40 cash or a check to pay. You will have access to Campus Rec services all summer.

**Campus Health:** When/if you make an appointment you will need to pay $71.50 when you arrive at CHS. This will cover you for ONE Summer Session.

University, Social, Service, and Student Group Events

Professional Development: Upcoming Events

Please refer to the GPSD Events website for upcoming events in the month of June. Events and resources are announced through the GPSD listserv. Join the Graduate Student Professional Development list by sending an e-mail to listmanager@listserv.unc.edu with “subscribe gradevelopment” in the body of the message, leaving the subject field blank.

OCRCC Volunteer Opportunities

The Orange County Rape Crisis Center has two opportunities for volunteers.

**Support Group Facilitators:** Our support groups aim to provide a welcoming space for survivors who share similar experiences with sexual violence. The deadline for applications is **Friday, June 14 at 5pm**. Training begins **Monday, June 24**. For information about this volunteer position, the training schedule, and how to apply online, please visit [http://ocrcc.org/volunteer/sgf/](http://ocrcc.org/volunteer/sgf/). Please direct questions to Programs Director Laurie Graham at laurie@ocrcc.org or 919-968-4647.

**Community Educators (CEs)** prevent sexual violence in our community by presenting educational programs to students in local schools. The deadline for applications is **July 29**. Training will begin **Saturday, August 10**, and continues on Tuesday evenings and Saturdays through September 17. Volunteer applications and a full training schedule can be found online at [www.ocrcc.org/ce](http://www.ocrcc.org/ce). For detailed information about all volunteer positions and training schedules, please visit our website. Contact the Orange County Rape Crisis Center at 919-968-4647 or [info@ocrcc.org](mailto:info@ocrcc.org)

Black Doctoral Network Conference: Scholarship, Service and Community October 3-5, 2013

The Black Doctoral Network Conference will bring together both world renowned and emergent scholars and professionals from the Social Sciences, STEM and humanities to function as a resource, a support system, as a space of intellectual exchange, and a place to create connections and develop collaborations. For more information, please visit the conference website. For information on obtaining a sponsorship, please see our Events page.

General GPSF Information

The "gpsf-news" listserv was set up to deliver news relevant to the UNC graduate and professional student population. If you have questions regarding content or use of the list, please email [gpsfsecretary@unc.edu](mailto:gpsfsecretary@unc.edu)
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Newsletter Schedule & Deadlines

The GPSF Newsletter is published on the 1st and 15th of each month. To publish an announcement on the 1st, the announcement must be sent in by the 28th. To be published on the 15th, it must be sent in by the 12th. During the summer, the newsletter is published once a month on the 1st. Send announcements (no more than 100-150 words, please) to gpsfsecretary@unc.edu

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