

Progress Report

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Vice President of Multicultural Committee of the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly.
The progress report covers the period from October 12 to November 9, 2005.

Work accomplished

Regular duties as a head of Multicultural Committee. Organized a regular committee meeting.

Regular duties as a member of Grant and Public Affairs committees. As necessary.

Presentations and informational sessions. The locations included the SAO and ISSS Small World Coffee Hour.

Grocery shuttle service for graduate and professional students. Survey of international graduate and professional students was designed and implemented to determine whether there is a need in weekly grocery shuttle service.

International Graduate and Professional Student Information Fair. The goal is to celebrate diversity and ensure information exchange between all international organizations, which pursue interests of graduate and professional students. The initial contacts were established with selected organizations, and program outline was created (attached).

Work planned for the next period (November 9 - December 14, 2005)

Regular duties as a head of Multicultural Committee. Organize regular committee meetings.

Regular duties as a member of Grant and Public Affairs committees. As necessary.

Presentations and informational sessions. Participate as a GAPSA representative as necessary.

Grocery shuttle service for graduate and professional students. If the survey demonstrates an adequate amount of interest, the new shuttle route and schedule will be designed, and the service will be implemented.

Joint event calendar creation and maintenance. The calendar will cover international student organization activities on campus, and will be located on GAPSA web-site.

International Graduate and Professional Student Information Fair. Initial contacts will be established with all interested organizations, first organization meeting will be held and detailed event proposal will be developed.

International Resources Fair 2005

In order to:

Increase awareness of the variety of international student organizations on campus, and emphasize their vital role in social, educational, and academic life of the graduate and professional population at the University of Minnesota;

Celebrate multicultural diversity and cross-cultural understanding;

Encourage constructive dialogues and facilitate active cooperation between international organizations pursuing the interests of graduate and professional students;

Provide information on services and involvement opportunities available through international student organizations;

Demonstrate institutional commitment;

Promote and publicize different international events regularly hosted by student organizations at the University of Minnesota;

Multicultural Committee of GAPSA is pleased to announce the hosting of International Student Fair 2005.

Timeframe: to be determined

The proposed format: display tables, posters and exhibits.

Location: Coffman Memorial Union

This will be an excellent chance for students to talk directly with representatives of various international student organizations to learn about the many resources available on and off campus.

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