

**Graduate Student Advisory Council**  
**General Assembly Meeting**  
*Friday, October 6, 2017*  
*Rathskeller Loft*

**1. Welcome, Introductions, Program Updates**

**2. Reports**

- a. Pumpkin Carving!
  - i. We are currently planning a pumpkin carving event, but we need to know if you're interested! If you and some of your cohort members would want to do this, please email Charity at [crhuwe@eiu.edu](mailto:crhuwe@eiu.edu).
- b. Cookie Decorating!
  - i. Who's hungry and ready to decorate some cookies for the holidays!? A date will be coming soon for a cookie decorating event right before finals week as a sweet de-stress opportunity!
- c. Food Pantry!
  - i. Thank you to the participants who are going to volunteer on October 19<sup>th</sup>!
- d. GN4U!
  - i. Here is the link to sign up as a graduate mentor to the GN4U event on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in the Rathskeller room
  - ii. <http://www.eiu.edu/graduate/machform/view.php?id=18>
- e. Conversation Partners!
  - i. Here is the link to sign up to be partnered with an international student to help them practice their English!
  - ii. <https://www.eiu.edu/interntl/machform/view.php?id=34971>

**3. Presenters:**

- a. SACIS provides free and confidential counseling for survivors of sexual assault. They have some volunteer and internship trainings coming this spring, and will be keeping GSAC updated on the dates planned for these events!
  - i. Don't forget they will be hosting their ROAR event on November 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at 7pm at the UHotel in Charleston. There will be food and a silent auction!
  - ii. <http://www.sacis.org/>
- b. The EIU Counseling Clinic has some great counselors on staff that are here for all students. If you are experiencing any sort of mental health challenges, they are able to offer both crisis and regular counseling.
  - i. Don't forget to stop by the counseling clinic or give them a call if you are interested in setting up an appointment. Services are completely free to all EIU students!
  - ii. <http://www.eiu.edu/counsctr/index.php>

**4. Old Business**

- a. Shirts!
  - i. Don't forget to stop in and get your GSAC shirt if you ordered one! If you haven't paid yet, they are \$12. Just head over to Charity's office at 2210 Buzzard Hall
- b. Girls On The Run!

- i. The run will be held on November 11<sup>th</sup> from 8am-11am. Let's get a group together to represent GSAC!

**5. New Business**

- a. Thank you to Kali Harris for volunteering to be GSAC's rep at the Textbook Rental Service Advisory Committee meetings!
- b. Check your email for some awesome NAGPS leadership positions in the Midwest Region!

**6. Announcements**

- a. Next Meeting:
  - i. October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - 12pm at Rathskeller Loft (MLK Union)