



**GSS Caucus Grant Application Form**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Name of Caucus / Graduate

Student Constituency Group: Biological Science Graduate Caucus  
*(Full Name, No Acronyms)*

Name of Contact Person: Jayne Lewthwaite

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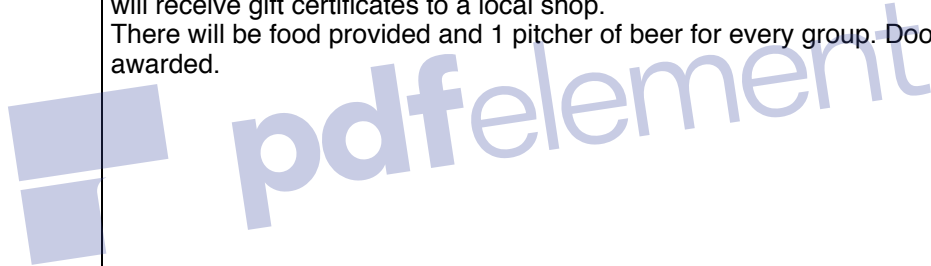
Name of event: Graduate Student Symposium

Date of event: March 27, 2015 Location of event: Highland Pub  
*(mm/dd/yy) or range of dates*

**DESCRIPTION OF EVENT**

Description of proposed event/project/initiative:

The Graduate Symposium will be modeled after last year's highly successful event, which was a "Cross-pollination of the minds" event between students in the department. Everyone who attends will be divided into different groups with members who do not belong to the same research group. Together, they have an hour to come up with a research proposal that combines all of their research topics into one cohesive and interesting research proposal. They will then present their proposal in a 3 minute presentation to a panel of judges (professors in our department). The winning teams(s) will receive gift certificates to a local shop. There will be food provided and 1 pitcher of beer for every group. Door prizes will also be awarded.



**PROGRAM**

*Please attach a copy of the proposed program detailing the event schedule.*

Description of how this event will directly benefit/strengthen your Caucus or Graduate Student Constituency Group specifically:

This event will provide a fantastic networking opportunity within our department and strengthen existing relationships. Additionally, it will challenge students to communicate and summarize their research to others who may be unfamiliar with the field or topic, and synthesize several fields of research into a novel research question or idea.

Description of how this event will directly benefit/strengthen the larger university community:

Better communication between research groups will allow opportunities for potential collaborations and foster broader research questions. Graduate students will gain invaluable experience towards conducting interdisciplinary research that they can draw upon in the future.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Describe what attempts, if any, have been made by your group to make your event more cost-effective:

The venue is expected to be of no cost to us, and the event itself only requires an overhead projector and clear projector sheets. The only cost incurred will be the food/beverages and raffle prizes.

List the contributions your Caucus/group has made toward the event:

*\*a contribution from your Caucus is required*

The Caucus would like to split the majority of the expenses with the GSS, and we will contribute \$500 towards the event.

List the additional sources of funding you have applied for or requested:

Source(s)	Amount Requested	Check status as of time of application		
		Approved	Denied	Pending
Dept of Biological Sciences	\$200	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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**BUDGET**

Please attach a copy of the budget, using the template that best matches your event. Please add additional information or make changes to the template to meet your event's specific needs.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Anticipated number of attendees:

Past history of the event:

Last year was the first time this event was run, had a turnout of ~ 100 people and was successful enough that we would like to repeat it this year.  
This event was partially funded last year by a GSS grant for \$550.

Caucus Core Funding Available:

Caucus Trust Account Balance:

See Caucus Funding spreadsheet on GSS website for core funding info; contact GSS Office Administrator ([help@sfugradsociety.ca](mailto:help@sfugradsociety.ca)) for trust account balance.

Amount requested via GSS Grant:

Maximum amount: \$750