

Referendum
GSA Conference Travel Grant Expansion Fee

Summary:

This fee would increase the Conference Travel Grant fee by \$10.00 per quarter, thereby raising the total fee collected from \$10.00 to \$20.00 per quarter (the current \$10.00 fee is collected within the \$24.18 GSA Membership fee). This fee will provide the funds necessary to increase the GSA Conference Travel Grants funds. This is critical to preventing potential funding decreases and will enable the GSA to expand the current award cap amounts by up to \$200 per award, subject to an annual cap, which will provide more affordable access to professional conferences.

In accordance with the return-to-aid policy, 25% of the fee increase, or \$2.50, would be returned to financial aid. The remaining \$7.50 would fund the Conference Travel Grant program expansion starting in fall 2018. The fee would be collected fall, winter, and spring quarters.

A yes vote means that you support the Conference Travel Grant Expansion Fee of \$10.00, which will begin in Fall 2018 and will provide the necessary funding for the expansion of the grant by up to \$200 per award, subject to an annual cap.

A no vote means that you do not support the Conference Travel Grant Expansion Fee of \$10.00, which will begin in Fall 2018 and will provide the necessary funding for the expansion of the grant by up to \$200 per award, subject to an annual cap.

Exact text of the Fee Modification follows:

Yes, I vote to pass the GSA Conference Travel Grant Expansion Fee of \$10.00, which would begin in Fall Quarter 2018.

No, I do not vote to pass the GSA Conference Travel Grant Expansion Fee of \$10.00, which would begin in Fall Quarter 2018.