

AAMC Board of Governors' Graduate Student Alumni Committee Report

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The Graduate Student Alumni Committee was founded in Spring 2012 to begin work during the 2012- 2013 academic year. The committee has met twice, in November and December, 2012, with a third meeting currently being scheduled.

The Committee has done the following:

- Participated in and did outreach to improve graduate student attendance for Thanksgiving Day gatherings and for the Winter Celebration for students graduating in December.
- Members have begun outreach to their respective departments/programs to identify point-of-contact and lead faculty and students in each of the 13 graduate programs on campus. The intention is to target the 3-5 highest-interest, highest-population graduate programs initially.
- Priorities for work are as follows:
 - **Overarching Goal:** To increase facetime and access between AAMC and graduate students by participating in events, making presentations, and distributing information to all 13 graduate programs at Mills, in a gradually increasing focus, beginning with piloting 3-5 programs in the first year.
 - **Graduate Student Brochure:** In conjunction with the Office of Alumnae Relations and Student Activities to create a brochure that describes the AAMC, its activities, and its benefits specifically for graduate students.
 - **Event Participation:** Work in conjunction with Student Relations, Alumnae Relations, the Board of Governors, and program point people (to be identified) to incorporate activities into already-existing program events such as Orientation, Reunion, Commencement, BOG committee events, and other scheduled events.
 - **Easy-to-Implement Activities:** Maximize time and people power by creating activities/actions that can be easily implemented into existing events, and which are easily repeated/implemented for all 13 departments. Creating this list is in process.
 - **Student Engagement:** Assign graduate students specific tasks as AAMC volunteers as students and as future alumni. Connect graduate students with undergraduate students, to increase community-building.