

Thayer Council Meeting

July 31, 2020

MS/PhD Reps

- ❑ Innovation certificates possible for students not in innovation programs
- ❑ 6 different MS programs
- ❑ Qualifying exams
- ❑ Supervised undergraduate teaching option for graduate student po--Thayer pays for stipend and tuition if teaching a class
- ❑ Future: remove GRE requirement for admissions

People to contact with questions:

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GSC Rep

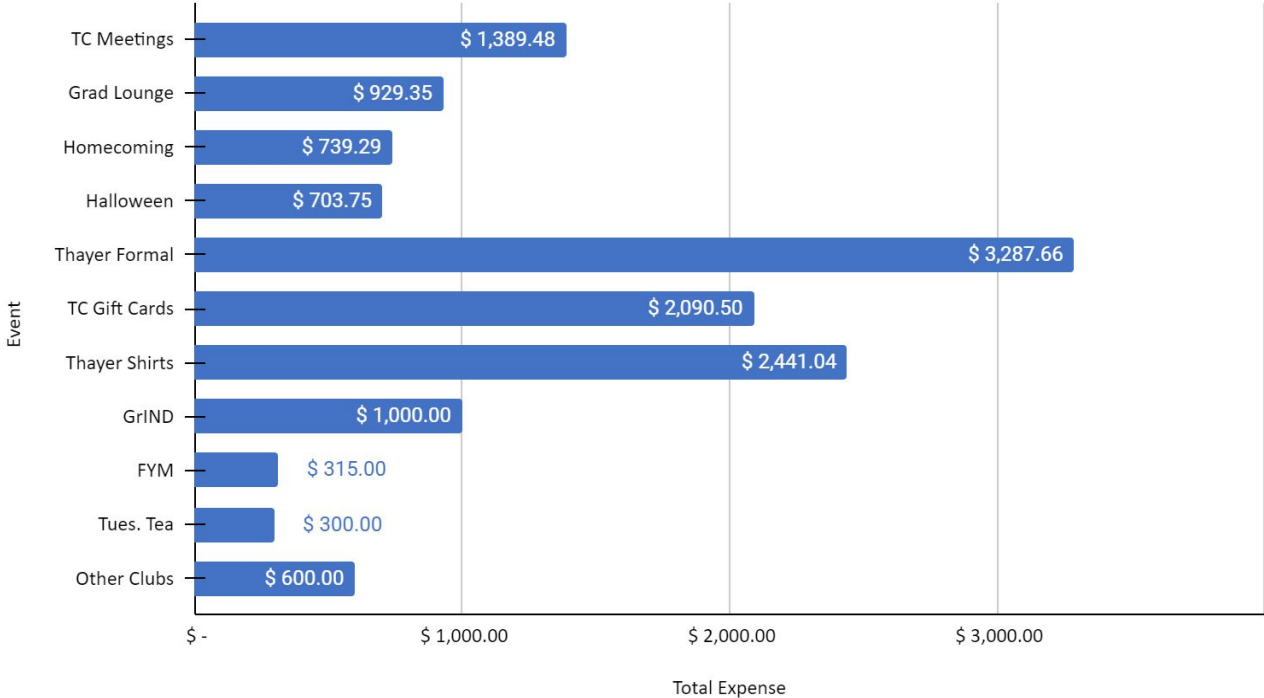
- ❑ Neutral party/Office to address power dynamics
- ❑ Committee for Addressing Racism and Equity (CARE)
 - ❑ Announcements to follow on how to participate
- ❑ Diversity and Equity fellow at Guarini with Jane Seibel
 - ❑ Recruiting more diverse students
 - ❑ Addressing problems brought up during the townhalls
 - ❑ A lot of action from Guarini expected in the future
 - ❑ Contact: alberto.j.ruiz.th@dartmouth.edu
- ❑ For more information on GSC and Guarini work please contact:
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Faculty Rep



Budget

FY20 Expenses



FY20 Budget:
\$14,366.79

FY20 Expenses:
\$13,796.07

FY20 Carryforward:
\$570.72

Working on the a good way to distribute the T-Shirts.

Orientation (Peder)

- ❑ Orientation for incoming grad students will be Canvas-based this year
 - ❑ Spread out over several weeks
 - ❑ Most will be pre-recorded modules (tentatively)
 - ❑ Live video components, including Dartmouth 101, should have multiple time offerings
 - ❑ Use of a social video app to allow students to go to different “rooms” to meet people with similar interests, etc.
- ❑ Things we want your input on!:
 - ❑ Self-Quarantine “vlog” videos
 - ❑ I.e. things to do during self-quarantine
 - ❑ “Around the Upper Valley” video
 - ❑ I.e. things to do after self-quarantine is over
 - ❑ Email peder.solberg.th@dartmouth.edu if you’d like to contribute or be in charge of this!
 - ❑ Input on online social activities...other things we should pass along?



First-Year Mentoring (Peder)

- ❑ Need all of YOU to volunteer!
- ❑ This is for MS/PhD students...MEMs, Ross has got a separate deal for you
- ❑ Hoping that enough current students will volunteer to be a mentor
- ❑ *Update: as of 8/12, we have plenty of mentors for all the incoming students.*

Thanks for signing up, everyone!

- ❑ Hope to make assignments by mid-August so newbies can ask mentors questions before arrival
- ❑ Mentoring simply will involve reaching out to mentee and finding out if they have any questions, if they'd like to have a Zoom call, etc.
- ❑ Any input is welcomed! Appreciated!

GOAL



Diversity and Inclusion Efforts at Thayer

- ❑ IE allocated \$30k to student clubs AISES, SWE, NSBE, and SHPE
 - ❑ \$6k for professional conferences
 - ❑ \$2k discretionary funds
 - ❑ Staff support
- ❑ SHPE, NSBE and SWE conference funding allows:
 - ❑ 4 undergraduates and
 - ❑ **2 graduate** students
- ❑ Graduate students are encouraged to participate in these clubs
- ❑ International Students also received \$4k to provide career support, help build community and visa/immigration services
 - ❑ Shudong Jiang to serve as faculty support for international students
 - ❑ 3 visa workshops per year through collaboration w/ Career Service

Announcements

- ❑ OVIS workshop next week on Tuesday to answer visa and immigration questions
 - ❑ **Tuesday, August 4th from 10:00 - 11:00 am (EST).**
- ❑ Perspectives from Thayer International Alumni
 - ❑ **Wednesday, August 5 12:00 – 1:00 PM (EST)**

Stay in touch!

Contact us: thayer.council@dartmouth.edu

The Team:

- ❑ Co-presidents
 - ❑ Andrew Closson
 - ❑ Steffi Olesi Muhanji
- ❑ MS/PhD Reps
 - ❑ Alberto Ruiz
 - ❑ Prabhat Hegde
- ❑ Treasurer
 - ❑ Tahsin Khan
- ❑ Faculty Rep
 - ❑ Brook Byrd
- ❑ Social Chair
 - ❑ Kendall Farnham
- ❑ First-year Rep
 - ❑ Peder Solberg
- ❑ Secretary
 - ❑ Charles Liu
- ❑ GSC Rep
 - ❑ Steven Ionov
 - ❑ Julia Huddy