



A Message from the AGAPSS Chairs . . .

One of our goals as co-chairs this year is to increase member engagement. Recruiting a gifted and diverse leadership team was step one, and ensuring regular and robust communications was step two. Now, it's time to reach a little further! We want to be sure that all AGAPSS members have access to a vibrant and supportive community of colleagues. And since most of us are working on the "lone-ranger" model on our campuses, our virtual connections to professionals across campuses and across regions is vital. Here are some things you can do to be more connected – to AGAPSS, to each other, and to folks who actually understand what you do!

- Join the AGAPSS LinkedIn group, and follow us on social media
- Share or comment on interesting articles or best practices
- Ask questions about how other campuses handle challenges you are facing
- Meet up with folks in your local region who also serve graduate and professional students
- Let us know when you have new publications or presentations to share
- Submit proposals for regional conferences
- Volunteer to write a blog post for our NASPA page
- Register for the AGAPSS Pre-Conference
- Recruit colleagues to AGAPSS
- Let us know what you need most from AGAPSS

We look forward to seeing and hearing from you this year!

Grace & Peace,

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Lunch & Learns . . .

The AGAPSS Lunch & Learns are great opportunities to connect with colleagues and discuss issues and best practices for graduate and professional student support. Eat your lunch or sip on your morning coffee while engaging in the topic directly from your desk.

Tuesday, October 18th | 12-1 PM (EST) | [RSVP Here](#)

"A Move to Hybrid Orientation" Presented by [Heather MW Petrelli](#) and [Ellyn Coulliard](#)

Our next Lunch and Learn will feature Heather MW Petrelli and Ellyn Coulliard from the University of South Florida College of Pharmacy. Please see below for more information and [RSVP](#) to receive access and instructions to the webinar session.



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A Move to Hybrid (online and on-ground) Orientation

The University of South Florida College of Pharmacy (USF COP) previously only had a 4-day on-ground orientation much of it was informative in nature. After receiving feedback regarding the length and being too much information for students to attempt to absorb, USF COP made an intentional switch to a hybrid model. In this model, more informative sessions were moved online and only sessions which were more interactive or significantly more impactful in-person remained on-ground. We will discuss our findings regarding student satisfaction as well as assessments of student learning.

Lunch and Learn Series

Tuesday October 18, 2016
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Awards . . .



Call for Nominees: Outstanding Contribution to Graduate and Professional Student Services Award

Deadline: October 13, 2016

Recognize amazing achievements in service to graduate and professional students! This award given by AGAPSS recognizes an administrator who has demonstrated outstanding, innovative contributions and commitment to support graduate and professional students' development and needs as higher education evolves in the twenty-first century. The nomination deadline is Thursday, October 13, 2016. For consideration, send the nominee's CV/resume; a letter of nomination by a supervisor, colleague, or peer; and nominator's name, position, and institution to Tammy Briant at tbriant@law.stetson.edu.

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