



**Graduate and Professional
Student Government**

**UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

**18th Session
November 04, 2025
D.B. #6**

Sponsor: Farrow Ulven, Graduate Student Senate Delegate
GPSG Action: Passed Failed/Tabled

A BILL

To establish an ad-hoc “Editorial Committee” within the University of Iowa Graduate and Professional Student Government (GPSG) charged with planning, producing, and distributing a semiannual interdisciplinary graduate and professional student periodical that will showcase graduate and professional student research and teaching, as well as funding opportunities and campus resources for graduate and professional students.

Section 1: Short Title

This bill may be cited as the “Editorial Ad-hoc Committee Formation Bill.”

Section 2: Discussion

WHEREAS, interdisciplinary communication among graduate and professional students enhances collaborative research, fosters professional development, and strengthens the sense of community across the University’s colleges and departments; and

WHEREAS, there presently exists no centralized, regularly published periodical run by and for graduate and professional students which circulates graduate and professional student scholarship, reflections, and campus resources in a publicly accessible format for the graduate and professional student body at the University of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the formation of an ad-hoc committee under the auspices of the GPSG will provide the necessary organizational structure and oversight to sustain such a project; thereby advancing GPSG’s purpose of advocacy for its constituents and its objective of connecting students across programs; and

WHEREAS, an ad-hoc committee shall exist until the expiration of the current GPSG officers’ terms at the conclusion of the 2025–2026 academic year, at which time the committee will be dissolved unless GPSG Delegate Council passes legislation to establish the Editorial Committee as a standing committee.

Section 3: Action

Resolved, an Editorial Committee (hereinafter “the Committee”) be established as an ad-hoc committee within the Graduate and Professional Student Government for the purpose of planning, producing, and distributing a semiannual interdisciplinary periodical for graduate and professional students; and

Resolved, the Committee shall produce a pilot issue of a periodical for circulation in the spring semester in both printed and digital formats; and

Resolved, the Committee shall, no later than April 19, 2026, prepare and produce a comprehensive recommendation document outlining the policies, processes, and governance structure necessary to transition the periodical into a permanent, long-standing publication for graduate and professional students at the University of Iowa; and

Resolved, the Committee’s appointed Chair will serve as the role of Editor-in-Chief, and designate positions within the Committee—including Managing Editor, Associate Editor(s), Distribution Manager, and any other roles deemed necessary to the functioning of the committee—filled by members drawn from the pool of interested parties; and

Resolved, that the composition of the Committee shall initially be open to individuals who are Delegates and Directors of GPSG and should any required editorial role(s) remain unfilled after internal solicitation, the Committee shall broaden its recruitment to solicit volunteers from among all currently enrolled graduate and professional students at the University of Iowa; and

Therefore, be it Resolved, that the President of GPSG shall appoint a member of GPSG to serve as Chair of the Committee, in accordance with Article II, Section 2 of the GPSG Constitution.

Section 4: Enactment

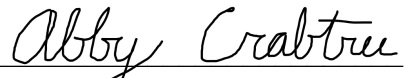
THEREFORE, be it enacted by the University of Iowa Graduate and Professional Student Government upon the signature of the President.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF:



Nanle Gusen, Cabinet Director

APPROVED:



Abigail Crabtree, President

11/4/2025

Date