

## **GSA Meeting Minutes – November 22, 2010**

### **Trainings**

The LaTeX/BibTeX training was held on November 19<sup>th</sup> and led by Ho Youn Koh. He did a great job teaching participants about the program and has compiled an instructional guide, which is available on the H drive. At the meeting, we discussed offering this short workshop again in the spring. We will schedule at a future meeting. Thanks to Ho Youn!

We may also offer the Zotero workshop again in the spring, and a qualitative fieldwork panel may be in the works. We look forward to your ideas/feedback at the February GSA meeting.

The GIS training will be coming in the spring (most likely in March). Molly Inman is gathering information on who is interested in participating, so please pay attention to her e-mails if you are interested. The course will be led by Nils Weidmann from Yale University.

### **Holiday Stuff**

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the gifts for the office staff. We were able to purchase \$50 gifts for Ann Marie, Apitchaya, Cissy, Denise, and Mike. We also had some additional funds that we gave to the fund set up to help pay for Cissy's grandson's (Tyler) medical expenses. If you have questions about this, please talk to Brittany or Agatha.

The GSA Yankee gift swap, held Friday afternoon after the GVPT holiday party, was a success. We had a good turnout, and some great gifts were exchanged (and stolen). Thanks to everyone for participating.

### **Tech Updates**

During the recent building network upgrade, OIT didn't assign addresses properly and as a result, a couple of our computers and our printers were disconnected. That problem should have been fixed by now-please let Jesse know if it isn't.

We are excited to share that the new duplex printer is online and working. With this addition, we now have two fully functional printers devoted to grad student use.

We have sent a few e-mails regarding what to do when something is down in the grad lab. The instructions are printed in the grad lab for your convenience as well. If you have questions, please talk to Jesse, Brittany or Agatha. In sum: Don't go to Ann Marie, and don't contact OACS. Printing is not the problem of OACS. Instead, talk to Jesse if there is a printing problem. If there is a computer problem, you can talk to Jesse and he will fill out the OACS work form or you can fill out the OACS work form. Either way, you should keep Jesse in the loop.

### **Field Updates**

American and IR job talks are over and offers are being made. Stay tuned for information on the candidates who accept our offers. Also stay tuned for updates about workshops for all fields this spring.

### **Spring semester – Next meeting: February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011!**

Meetings will go back to being held on Wednesdays, from 11-12. Our first meeting will be held on February 9<sup>th</sup>. Prof. Morris will attend this meeting to discuss comps and some other items, so we will probably start at 10:30am. We will send out an email with more information once the scheduling is certain.