TWENTY SIXTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Assembly Meeting
COGS Assembly Room
Senate Chambers Room, 316 Oglesby Union
December 4th, 2017
6:30 p.m.
Agenda

Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

Petitions into the Assembly: Bryan Salvato (Special/Undecided Advocate Seat 1), Maher Khazem (Special/Undecided Advocate Seat 2)

Special Introductions and Student Comments: Leah Sibbitt (Career Center), Kelly Grove and Kori Pruett (Center for Health Advocacy and Wellness)

Messages from Student Government:

Report of Officers:
- The Report of the Speaker
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs
- The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications

Committee Report:
- C-SAC:
- Internal Affairs:
- Academics & Student Life:
- Ways & Means:

Funding Requests:
- Bill 5: Allocation to Art Therapy Association
- Bill 6 Sponsored by Representative Oloye: Allocation to Material Research Society-FSU

Unfinished Business: NONE

New Business:
• Bill 7 Sponsored by Speaker Scriven: *Substantive Edits of the COGS code, Reorganizing the Standing Committees of COGS*
• Resolution 2 Sponsored by The Academics and Student Life Committee: *Opposition to Taxation of Graduate Student Tuition Waivers and Remissions*

Round Table:

Adjournment:

Next Meeting: January 8th, 2018
## COGS Financial Report Fiscal Year 2017-2018

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Recent Allocations:

- 8/28-Allocation to Public Health Student Association: General Expense $543.92, Clothing/Awards $100, Food $337.15
- 8/28-Allocation to the Society for Musicology: Contractual Service $4,000
- 9/18-Allocation to College of Social Work Doctoral Student Organization-CSAC Food $240
- 9/18-Allocation to the School of Teacher Education Graduate Student Association-CSAC Food $500
- 10/2-Allocation to the Philosophy Graduate Student Association- Food $300
- 10/16-Allocation to National Art Educators Association-CSAC Food $250
- 10/16-Allocation to the Indian Students Association of Tallahassee-CSAC Food $980
- 10/16-Allocation to Sport Psychology Organization and Research Team-Contractual Services $500, Travel $900, Food $500
- 10/16-Allocation to Terra Incognita-Travel 1500, General Expense $200, Food $300
- 11/6-Allocation to Minorities & Philosophy: Food $400
- 11/6-Allocation to Music Theory Society: Contractual Services $1,500
- 11/6-Allocation to Political Science Graduate Student Association: Contractual Services $3,000, Food $1,000
- 11/20-Allocation to Applied Sport Psychology-FSU: Contractual Services $2,184, Food $150
Call to Order: 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Batchelder

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Asturizaga, Batchelder, Blake-Hedges, Engelbrecht, Forsman, Gao Lehn, Lozano, Oloye, Sanogo, Scriven, Sorribes, Uttermark, Zhang

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED: Gao

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED: NONE

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED: Dickman, Pierce, Polischuk

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED: Lange

REPRESENTATIVE LATE, EXCUSED: NONE

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED: NONE

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Engelbrecht Approved. Second.

Swearing in of Members not at Inauguration.

Petitions into the Assembly: NONE

Nominations from the Congress for the 26th Congress of Graduate Students Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs:

- Representative Sorribes nominates Representative Asturizaga. 2nd. Asturizaga accepts.

Election Results from the Congress for the newly elected Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs for the 26th Congress:

- Vivianne Asturizaga

Special Introductions and Student Comments: Jose Carval explains the purpose of Green Dot as a bystander intervention initiative and encourages representatives to attend training sessions to learn more about the program and what they can do to help.

Messages from Student Government: NONE

Funding Requests:

- **Bill 4: Allocation to Applied Sport Psychology**
  The organization explains that they provide applied sport services to faculty, staff and students at Tallahassee Community College and local high schools. These services allow the organization to train as practitioners and improve services in the community. This year they are requesting funds for an honorarium for their guest speaker as well as for food for the event. Dr. Keith Kauffman,
licensed psychologist will train students in the mindfulness skill set. Representatives inquire the expected attendance, a breakdown of speaker fees, the date and time of the event, and how much funding was raised. Representatives also inquire the budgeting difference from last year to this year, what criteria is used to select the speaker, how will the department support the event, how well known is the event and how the organization plans to advertise. **FIRST PRO:** Batchelder is in support of the interesting topics that will be discussed at their event. Deputy Speaker Lehn believes that they are operating in good faith and spirit to reduce requested amount. Motion to amend. Contractual Services to $2,184 Food $300. 2nd Motion passes. Bill reads Contractual Services $2,184 Food $300. **First CON:** Lozano is in favor of funding the speaker fees, but is not in favor of funding the food expense. Motion to amend the bill to read $0 in Food. 2nd. Objection. Lozano is in favor of financially supporting the organization but believes that the department could assist with the food budget. **FIRST PRO:** Deputy Speaker Asturizaga is in favor of the amendment and believes it is a good compromise. **FIRST CON:** Engelbrecht notes that the organization cut their food expense to create a minimal budget and believes it is fair enough. Batchelder notes that the conference is a full day and people may become exhausted. Motion to call to question. 2nd. Motion fails 5-7-1. Return to the bill. **FIRST CON:** Deputy Speaker Asturizaga believes that they could do a better job of budgeting the costs of food. Motion to amend Food to $285. 2nd. Objection. Motion to call to question on the Food line amendment. Amendment fails 2-10-1. Return to the amended bill. Motion to amend Food to $150. 2nd. Amendment Passes. Motion to call to question. 2nd. The organization is appreciative of the process. Bill passes 12-1-0; **Contractual Services:** $2,184, **Food:** 150.

**Unfinished Business:** NONE

**New Business:**

*Deputy Speaker Asturizaga motions to waive the rules to introduce Resolution 2 to the congress. Motion approved.*

Deputy Speaker Asturizaga and the Academics & Student Life Committee explained the origin of Resolution 2: *Opposition to taxation of Graduate Student Tuition Waivers and Remissions* and encouraged representatives to review the information in their spare time and provide feedback prior to the next meeting.

**Round Table:** Asturizaga, Batchelder, Blake-Hedges, Engelbrecht, Forsman, Lehn, Lozano, Oloye, Sanogo, Scriven, Sorribes, Uttermark, Zhang

**Adjournment:** 8:11 pm

**Next Meeting:** December 4th, 2017
The 26th Congress of Graduate Students

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ON PETITION

Allocation to Art Therapy Association

On December 4th, 2017, the body voted to move the following amount from the COGS 2017-2018 Unallocated Account (244003) to the Art Therapy Association Account:

- Contractual Services: $500
- General expense: $244
- Travel: $850
- Food: $1,135

**Purpose:** Funds will be used to host Dr. Ellen G Horovitz to the FSU Art Therapy conference on February 24, 2018 from 9-4 and to provide food to guests.

**Proviso:** All COGS Funds not spent for this request shall be returned to the COGS Account.

Joshua Scriven  
*Speaker*

Matthew Uttermark  
*Deputy Speaker for Finance*

Danielle Morgan Acosta  
*Director of Student Affairs*

Dr. Amy Hecht  
*Vice President for Student Affairs*

*December 4th, 2017*
Response Summary:

Organization Info
Requesting Organization: Art Therapy Association
Date Requested: 11/23/2017
Budget Number: 2,729
Academic Term: Spring 2018
President: Amanda Schattie
President's Email: as12g@my.fsu.edu
President's Phone Number: 561-603-1850
Treasurer: Maggi Horseman
Treasurer's Email: mdh16d@my.fsu.edu
Treasurer's Phone Number: 863-280-0826

Funding Source:
COGS

Budget Categories and Amount Requested
Contractual Services  500
Expense General  244
Expense Travel  850
Food  1135
Clothing/Awards  0
OCO  0

Special Restrictions:
N/A

Organization’s full name
Florida State University Art Therapy Association

Is your organization a recognized student organization (RSO) for this fiscal year?
Yes

Does your organization charge dues?
Yes

If your organization charges dues, how much does it charge?
$20 for new members, $10 for returning members

How much A&S money did your organization spend last year?
$2,603.52

Purpose for which the funds will be used
The FSU Art Therapy Association (FSU ATA) conducts an annual workshop each spring in order to offer professional development for current FSU students and art therapy practicum supervisors in a variety of mental health service fields. The workshop is also open to future art therapy students that are visiting FSU for their graduate interview process. FSU ATA would like to expand the workshop by offering a speaker and a topic that will increase attendance from non-art therapy students and promote multidisciplinary discussions and collaborations across campus. This year we are excited to announce our next spring workshop speaker, Dr. Ellen G. Horovitz, ATR-BC, LCAT, E-RYT, LFYP, C-IAYT. Dr. Horovitz is an internationally known leader and author in Art Therapy as well as a certified yoga therapist and psychotherapist. She will be providing a lecture and a hands-on experience that will allow students and practitioners to learn art therapy and yoga therapy techniques that they can apply with clients who may not respond to traditional psychotherapy techniques and will be summarized in an accessible format that is applicable for an audience of students, educators, clinicians and researchers. The workshop will be held on campus in the William Johnston Building, which can occupy up to 200 attendees. The workshop will include a light breakfast, lecture, lunch, and a hands-on art experiential. Prior years we have hosted up to 80 attendees, and this year we are projected to have approximately the same number of members; Restaurant fundraising nights.

How many active members are in your organization?
25

How did you raise the funds?
Sale of merchandise at the annual conference and funds from the 2017 Spring Workshop; Auction of artwork created by FSU ATA
attendees.

What is the date and time of the event in which the requested funds will be used?

The workshop will be conducted on Saturday February 24, 2018 from 9:00am-4:00pm coinciding with the art therapy program’s Fall admission interviews.

Is there anything else you would like us to consider?

Our annual event provides a unique learning opportunity for students across all disciplines, and this year we are hoping to increase attendance from students in various areas of study!

By signing in the space provided below, I hereby certify that all the information contained in t...

Amanda Schattie

FSU ATA Spring Workshop 2018

Dr. Ellen Horovitz

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In the past, we have hosted highly credentialed and well-known figures in the field of art therapy such as Robert Ault, Judith Rubin, Harriet Wadeson, Frances Anderson, Randy Vick, Deborah Elkis-Abuhoff, Michael Franklin, Lisa Hinz, and Juliet King. Past topics have been the use of art therapy in schools, art therapy with people with disabilities, art therapy in grief and bereavement, international art therapy, forensic art therapy and transpersonal art therapy. Workshop attendees have included current, previous and future students in the art therapy program at FSU as well as students in other fields and mental health service providers within the Tallahassee community. Previous workshops have consistently attracted 100-125 attendees.

This year we are excited to announce our next spring workshop speaker, Dr. Ellen G. Horovitz, ATR-BC, LCAT, E-RYT, LFYP, CIAYT. Dr. Horovitz is Professor Emerita and founder of the Nazareth College graduate art therapy program, author of eight books and past President-Elect of the American Art Therapy Association (AATA). In addition to being a professor and scholar, Dr. Horovitz has been in private practice for over 35 years and works clinically with individuals, couples, and families. The topics of her books range from art therapy to yoga therapy to mainstream applications of digital photography, and she has authored over 50 juried articles and 17 book chapters. Dr. Horovitz is also an expert in the field of Deafness/ Hard of Hearing and her book Visually Speaking: Art Therapy and the Deaf has been translated into Korean.

This presentation will address several learning objectives including 1) Understand the benefits of yoga therapy and art therapy in assessment, diagnosis, and treatment, 2) Learn numerous hands-on yoga therapy techniques for individuals, couples, and families, and 3) Understanding client populations who can benefit from a combined approach of art therapy and yoga therapy. These objectives and a hands-on experience will allow students and practitioners to learn art therapy and yoga therapy techniques that they can apply with clients who may not respond to traditional psychotherapy techniques and will be summarized in an accessible format that is applicable for an audience of students, educators, clinicians and researchers.

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FSU Art Therapy Association

Budget Request for the 2018 Spring Workshop

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<td>Hotel</td>
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<td>$15/meal x 3 meals per day x 3 days</td>
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<td>Breakfast &amp; lunch for 125+ guests; $8/person x 125</td>
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<td>Transportation Costs for Speaker</td>
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<td>Art Supplies</td>
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<td>Paper for Printing</td>
<td>Flyers, Handouts, etc.</td>
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<td>Chair Rentals</td>
<td>Chairs necessary for workshop experiential – rented through FSU Facilities</td>
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**TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED**

$2,729
The FSU Art Therapy Association presents The Annual Spring Workshop

Art Therapy & Neuroscience: Theoretical, Practical & Research Perspectives

Special Guest Lecture & Interactive Art Experience

Director & Assistant professor, Art Therapy, Herron School of Art & Design
Adjunct assistant professor, Dep. of Neurology, IU School of Medicine
Author & Editor of Art Therapy, Trauma and Neuroscience: Theoretical & Practical Perspectives

Juliet King, MA, ATR-BC, LPC

Presentation Topics:

Neuroscience & Neuroanatomy: What Art Therapists Need to Know

The Magic Synthesis:
Integrating Art Therapy & Neuroscience - Theoretical, Practical & Proven

Saturday, February 25, 2017
8:30AM - 9:00AM | Registration
9:00AM - 12:00PM | Lecture
1:00PM - 4:00PM | Art Experience
(Lunch will be provided)

Florida State University
William Johnston Building, Room 3002

RSVP by February 20, 2017
fsuarttherapy@gmail.com

This event is free of charge and open to the public
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BILL 6
Sponsored by Representative Oloye
Allocation to Materials Research Society (MRS) FSU Chapter

On December 4th, 2017, the body voted to move the following amount from the COGS 2017-2018 Unallocated Account (244003) to the Materials Research Society (MRS) FSU Chapter Account:

Food: $179.18
Clothing/Awards: $222.74

**Purpose:** Funds will be used to provide food for monthly meetings and to purchase t-shirts as promotional items.

**Proviso:** All COGS Funds not spent for this request shall be returned to the COGS Account.

Joshua Scriven  
Speaker

Matthew Uttermark  
Deputy Speaker for Finance

Danielle Morgan Acosta  
Director of Student Affairs

Dr. Amy Hecht  
Vice President for Student Affairs

December 4th, 2017
Response Summary:

Organization Info
Requesting Organization: MRS FSU Chapter
Date Requested: 11/30/2017
Academic Term: Fall 2017
President: Temidayo Abiola Oloye
President's Email: ato16b@my.fsu.edu
President's Phone Number: 4805261989
Treasurer: Huanhuan Zhou
Treasurer's Email: hz15b@my.fsu.edu
Treasurer's Phone Number: 8509805916

Funding Source:
COGS

Budget Categories and Amount Requested
Contractual Services   0
Expense General   0
Expense Travel   0
Food   179.18
Clothing/Awards   222.74
OCO   0

Organization’s full name
Materials Research Society (MRS) FSU Chapter

Have your organization’s president and treasurer taken and passed the financial certification quiz...
Yes

Is your organization a recognized student organization (RSO) for this fiscal year?
Yes

Does your organization do fundraising?
No

What is the total amount of funds your club has raised for this event/item?
0

How did you raise the funds?
We have not done any fundraising

How many active members are in your organization?
15

Does your organization charge dues?
No

How much A&S money did your organization spend last year?
0

Purpose for which the funds will be used
The funds will be used to provide food for our monthly meeting, and we also want to purchase a few t-shirts as promotional items.

What is the date and time of the event in which the requested funds will be used?
Our monthly meetings are scheduled for the third thursdays of every month at 6:30pm

Is there anything else you would like us to consider?
Our organization is a brand new organisation here at FSU. We are requesting these funds to enable us provide meals at our monthly events as a way of encouraging our already signed up members and also attracting new members. We are a local chapter of the national section of the Materials Research Society, which is the body that promotes all forms of research and innovation not just in the materials field, but also in all science and engineering fields. We believe that our presence here on the FSU campus will help attract and encourage students interested in STEM research, as well as students already in the field. Because we are a interdisciplinary society, we are open to anyone involved in STEM.

By signing in the space provided below, I hereby certify that all the information contained in t...
Temidayo Abiola Oloye
Notes.

The food request was calculated for 4 monthly meetings from January to April (Spring 2018 Semester). The breakdown is below:

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We anticipate that we will have about 20 people present at each meeting, as we currently have 15 registered members. We hope that by providing food for attendees, they will be encouraged to show up and participate.

All prices quoted are from Publix.

The t-shirts will be raffled off free of charge at our meetings, also to encourage attendance and participation from our members.

Thank you.
Quote 10799
Materials Research Society

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Introduction

The University Chapter of the Materials Research Society (MRS) at the Florida State University (MRS FSU Chapter), has been established to serve as a bridge between all FSU students involved or interested in materials oriented research and the large community of professionals, academics and researchers that the Materials Research Society has to offer.

Vision

The MRS FSU Chapter seeks to create awareness for a greater understanding of the benefits of interdisciplinary research in the materials sciences at FSU by bringing together students from all STEM majors, both graduate and undergraduate and also to encourage collaboration with the scientific community in Tallahassee.

Activities

The MRS FSU Chapter will be involved in direct collaboration with the national body that consists of over 14,000 men and women from over 90 countries around the world working in both industry and academia. Our activities will focus on encouraging the advancement of interdisciplinary STEM research by providing mentorship and support to students who are already involved in STEM research, and those who are interested in taking the leap through access to leading researchers and scientists, cutting edge research, and the opportunity to attend the largest materials research conference in the world. We also want to serve as a vehicle for the promotion of STEM to young minds through outreach events to the greater Tallahassee community through its elementary, middle and high schools.
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BILL 7

Sponsored by Speaker Scriven

Substantive Edits of the COGS Code, Reorganizing the Standing Committees of COGS

On December 4th, 2017, the body voted to amend the COGS Code in accordance with the attached document.

Purpose: This bill shall provide a clear and consistent language throughout the COGS Code.

Underlines indicate additions. Strikethroughs indicate deletions.

104.5 The Deputy Speaker for Finance shall:
A) Oversee the expenditure of the Annual Budget.
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B) Amendments to the COGS Code
C) Relations with the State and Federal Governments
D) Relations between COGS and all other entities of Student Government
E) All other areas in which the Chair and the Speaker agree the committee should focus.

D) Committee leadership elections shall be held before Jan 22nd 2018 for any COGS committee not existing prior to December 4th 2017.

E) On Jan 22nd 2018, the membership and leadership of the three COGS committees listed here, shall be dissolved, at which point this provision 108.3(E) shall be stricken from the COGS Code: Internal Affairs Committee, Academics & Student Life Committee, Ways & Means Committee.

108.9 The Committee on External Affairs Committee shall focus on the following areas:
A) Healthcare and insurance
B) Graduate student pay and funding
C) Parking, transportation, and housing
D) Childcare
E) Academics
F) Relations with Florida State University administration and the Graduate Assistants Union
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108.10 The Committee on Internal Affairs Committee shall focus on the following areas:
A) Oversight and accountability for COGS programs
B) Hear cases of impeachment and removal prior to the full Assembly
C) Maintain attendance records, and initiate removal proceedings for members who are no longer in compliance with attendance requirements
D) Outreach to fill vacant seats in the Assembly
E) Organize, or select a group to organize, the annual Dialogues Conference,
F) Oversight of the MSC and LSC funding boards,
G) Oversight of the expenditure of the COGS Annual Budget
H) Amendments to the COGS Code
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Chapter 117 Line of Succession of the Congress of Graduate Students
History: Added by the 18th Congress, Bill 2; Amended by the 20th Congress, Bill 16; 21st Congress, Bill 30.
117.1 In the event of a vacancy in the Office of the Speaker for reason(s) of resignation, incapacitation, ineligibility under the Florida State Student Body Constitution, or for any other lawful reason, the Deputy Speaker for Finance shall act as Speaker until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Assembly. At this time, a new Speaker shall be elected to serve until the expiration of the Congress in which the vacancy occurred. If the Assembly does not elect a new Speaker, the acting Speaker will continue until the...
Speaker returns or a new Speaker is elected.
A) If the Deputy Speaker for Finance is unavailable, then the order of succession, in descending order, shall be:
1) Deputy Speaker for Communication
2) Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
3) Chair of Ways & Means
4) Chair of Internal Affairs
*) Chair of External Affairs
5) Chair of Academics & Student Life
6) A COGS Representative selected by the Student Body President

Joshua Scriven
Speaker

Matthew Uttermark
Deputy Speaker for Finance

December 4th, 2017

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Resolution 2

Sponsored by Academics & Student Life Committee
Opposition to Taxation of Graduate Student Tuition Waivers and Remissions

WHEREAS, On Thursday, November 2, 2017, the House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Kevin Brady introduced the new tax reform bill - the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act has many provisions that adversely impact graduate students. The most important of these provisions is Sec. 1204 of The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which repeals various provisions of the Tax Code, including Qualified Tuitions Reductions (Sec. 117(d)), Employer-Provided Educational Assistance (Sec. 127), Interest Payments on Qualified Education Loans, Tuition and Related Expenses, and Interest on United States Savings Bonds. Other provisions that have been negatively altered include the tax credits lines of American Opportunities Tax Credit (AOTC), and the HOPE Scholarship and the Lifelong Learning Credit, which have all been combined and reduced.

WHEREAS, On Thursday, November 9, 2017, Representative Lloyd Doggett (D-TX35) introduced an amendment to strike out Sec. 1204 from the text of the bill. The amendment also included other provisions, one of which was a proposal to expand AOTC to a lifetime limit of $15,000. Unfortunately, the amendment was voted down 16-24. COGS strongly condemns the decision of members of the House Ways and Means Committee who voted against the amendment.

WHEREAS, On Thursday, November 9, 2017, the Senate Finance Committee also released the text of the Committee Chairman’s markup of The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The Senate version of the bill appears to preserve the various provisions of the tax code that the House Ways & Means committee has proposed to repeal. COGS applauds the efforts of the Senate Finance Committee to continue to make higher education, in particular graduate education, accessible to all.

WHEREAS, On Thursday, November 16, 2017, the House passed legislation to overhaul the
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That graduate students from diverse economic and demographic backgrounds should have access to high quality, and affordable graduate education. COGS recommends the following principles regarding Federal education tax policy:

1. Maintain provisions for graduate students to use education tax credits for qualified expenses related to tuition and fees.
2. Maintain or extend the Student Loan Interest Deduction (SLID) for interest paid on student loans, and for qualified tuition and related expenses.
   a. Subsidized federal student loans are no longer available to graduate students. They either pay the interest on their loans immediately, or allow the interest to accrue which only increases their debt.
   b. Graduate students pay higher interest rates for their loans. Removing the ability to deduct their interest payment and qualified tuition, and related expenses only increases their debt.
   c. Maintain or extend (SLID) with income based repayment strategies that extend repayment periods for graduate students. The elimination of SLID only adds to their debt.
3. Retain section 117(d) in the tax code which excludes tuition waivers and remissions from overall tax burden.
   a. About one out of four students (24.4%) pursuing doctoral degrees in the Academic Year 2011-12 received institutional tuition and fee waivers; the average amount being $12,645.90. In addition, 6.2% of Master’s degree seeking students also received institutional tuition and fee waivers; the average amount being $6,510.80 in the Academic Year 2011-12.
   b. Repealing this provision would drastically increase graduate students’ tax liability on “income” they never see. Per the Council of Graduate Schools’ estimates, at a public institution such as Florida State University, a doctoral degree student with a $14,500 stipend and a $9,500 tuition waiver will see their income tax rise from $847.50 to $2,272.50, or a 168% increase; while a master’s degree student with a $7,000 stipend and a $6,500 tuition waiver will have to foot a bill increased by 618%, paying $755 instead of $105.
   c. Stipends or salaries earned for teaching assistantships or research assistantships would remain unaffected by the proposal.
4. Expand what constitutes employer provided tax-exempt educational assistance under the Internal Revenue Code Section 127 to include student loan repayment assistance.
5. Provide tax credit incentives for low- and moderate-income individuals to contribute to 529 education savings accounts, and allow for employer tax credits to match these contributions.

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