

USG SENATE MEETING

November 20, 2016, 3:00pm

Lewis Library 138

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Objectives</i>	<i>Presenter</i>	<i>Time</i>
<p align="center">Call to Order</p> <p><i>Vice President Burton will convene the meeting.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome 	Jeremy Burton	
<p align="center">Gender Neutral Housing Update</p> <p><i>Director of the LGBT Center Judy Jarvis and Program Coordinator of the LGBT Center Andy Cofino will present an update on Gender Neutral Housing.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present update Answer any questions from the Senate and take feedback 	Judy Jarvis, Andy Cofino	20 min
<p align="center">President's Report</p> <p><i>President Czulak will present the President's Report.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go over President's Report 	Aleksandra Czulak	5 min
<p align="center">CPUC Meeting Recap</p> <p><i>U-Councilor Wendy Zhao will present an update on the November CPUC Meeting.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present recap Answer any questions from the Senate and take feedback 	Wendy Zhao	5 min
<p align="center">Committee Updates Update</p> <p><i>Committee Chairs will present updates on their committees.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present updates Answer any questions from the Senate and take feedback 	Michael Cox, Shannon Osaka, Rachel Park, Jenny Zhang	8 min, 2 min per committee
<p align="center">Executive Session</p> <p><i>The Senate will enter an Executive Session.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Session 	Aleksandra Czulak, Jeremy Burton	45 min
<p align="center">Agenda Setting</p> <p><i>The Senate will discuss agenda settings for the next meeting.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss and add agenda items for next week's meeting 	Aleksandra Czulak	2 min

Total Time	85 min
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Gender-Inclusive Housing Policy Proposal

Submitted to the University Student Life Committee by the Gender-Inclusive Housing Working Group, Fall 2016

Introduction

Given LGBTQIA students' ongoing feedback to both Housing and the LGBT Center, the charge for the Gender-Inclusive Housing¹ Working Group was to research others institutions' housing policies for serving transgender and gender non-conforming students and provide a recommendation of which policy to pursue.

At Princeton currently (as of July 2016), about 10% of undergraduate housing has the option to be accessed by mixed gender groups. The standard for this housing is any room configuration that has one more room than it does occupants, or an "n+1 standard." However, these 10% of rooms are not reserved for mixed gender groups only, so same gender-groups are allowed to access them. Currently, the other 90% of undergraduate housing bed spots are reserved for same-gender groups only.

Additionally, the current rooms which meet the n+1 standard have typically been the most popular rooms resulting in their early selection during Room Draw. This makes securing gender-inclusive housing often challenging for any students who may seek it, and makes it especially stressful for some transgender and gender non-conforming students who may not just desire but have an important need for gender-inclusive housing.

Proposal for adoption in spring 2017

The group researched 16 schools' policies (see Appendix), and discussed in depth the pros and cons of various options. The policy that the Working Group recommends adopting is:

Students participating in undergraduate room draw (sophomores, juniors and seniors) may select roommate groups of their choosing. Students can choose to live in same-gender or mixed-gender housing configurations. No student will be assigned to a mixed-gender housing group unless they have elected to do so.

Any incoming first year students needing gender-inclusive housing should contact the Housing Office to share what housing needs they have, and Housing will work with Residential College staff to accommodate first year students as well. Graduate students may access gender-inclusive housing by specifying their desire or need on their housing form; almost all graduate housing can be mixed-gender.

Some transgender and gender non-conforming students may have an urgent or safety need for a private bathroom or single-occupancy bathroom near their room. In this case, students must meet

¹ We use the term "gender-inclusive housing" to mean Princeton University student housing in which students of any gender mixture can live together, (i.e. non-binary people and cisgender men, cisgender women and cisgender men, trans women and cisgender men etc.).

Housing deadlines for the pre-draw accommodation process. These students will be accommodated, but they may not get their first choice of room or number of roommates.

Gender-Inclusive Housing Working Group Members

- Vice President for Campus Life Rochelle Calhoun
- Assistant Vice President of University Services Andrew Kane
- Bryant Blount, Assistant Dean of Undergraduate Students
- Michelle Brown, Student Housing Coordinator
- Angie Hodgeman, Manager of Undergraduate Housing
- Judy Jarvis, LGBT Center Director
- Dorian Johnson, Director, Housing & Real Estate Services
- Amada Sandoval, Women's Center Director
- With research support from Arlene Gamio '18 and Lil Gellman '17

Appendix: Other Schools' Policies

Amherst

- All housing is gender-inclusive unless a student chooses to live on a single-gender floor
- All Gender Housing is available to all students

Arizona State University

- Students must contact and meet with the ASU Housing Office in order to indicate interest in Gender Inclusive Housing
- Gender Inclusive Housing is available at all ASU campuses

Brown University

- All multi-bedroom suites and apartments are capable of being gender-neutral
- Students enter the Housing Lottery with their prospective roommates and choose from the pool of gender-neutral optional rooms
- When gender-neutral optional rooms are no longer available, mixed-gender groups must split into smaller, single-gender groups and choose from the remaining rooms in the lottery

College of William and Mary

- Adaptive housing accommodations encompasses students who need housing arrangements based on gender identity or religious need
- Students meet with a Residence Life staff member in order to assess need for adaptive housing, each year that they need adaptive housing
- Requests are on a case-by-case basis

Columbia University

- Student indicate interest in Open Housing (housing without regard to gender) during the regular housing lottery application period

- Transgender Housing allows students to request single rooms with private bathrooms
- Both housing situations are on a case-by-case basis

Cornell University

- Students must indicate interest in gender-inclusive housing during the housing lottery application period
- If offered a gender-inclusive room, the student will name their roommates
- Offers are based on availability

Gettysburg College

- Students enter the housing selection process with their prospective roommates
- There is no limit to the number of gender-neutral rooms on campus (all rooms have the option of being gender-neutral)
- If there is a vacancy in a gender-neutral room, the remaining roommate(s) can pull in another student of any gender

Harvard University

- Gender-neutral housing is available to sophomore, junior, and senior students
- Gender-neutral housing is assigned on a case-by-case basis through the Harvard Housing department and the Dean's Office
- Students who need extra accommodations (private bathroom) should contact the Director of LGBTQ Student Life for assistance

Middlebury College

- All-gender housing is available to sophomore, junior, and senior students
- All gender housing is available in all buildings on Middlebury's campus
- Students must select the all-gender housing option within the regular housing selection process

Rutgers

- Gender-neutral housing is available to all returning students in a suite or apartment style room
- Student must name their roommates
- Incoming students can request to speak with a housing representative if they need housing based on gender identity

Stanford University

- Currently working to make all upperclassmen rooms gender-neutral
- Student apply for the housing draw with their prospective roommates and choose the gender-neutral housing options as their top preferences and fill out a formal gender neutral request
- Students are offered assignments based on availability
- Extra accommodations (private bathroom) are handled on a case-by-case basis

University of California Riverside

- Gender-neutral housing placement priority will be given to students who notify UCR housing in a timely manner that they require accommodations based on their gender identity or gender expression. Students must meet all Housing contract and payment deadlines.

University of Chicago

- There is no limit on the availability of open housing, except in areas indicated as single gender
- Supply is based on demand
- Students participate in the regular housing draw and choose their own roommates

University of Pennsylvania

- Any room on campus can be gender neutral
- Students who indicate an interest in gender-neutral housing on the housing lottery application will have their gender changed to “neutral” in the back office system in order to choose their own roommates
- Gender-neutral housing is available to all students

Vassar College

- Upper-class students who wish to be suitemates/housemates/roommates will be allowed to do so without regard to their gender.

Yale University

- Mixed-Gender Suites options are available for sophomore, juniors and seniors.
- Housing needs of incoming first-year students are handled on a case-by-case basis by contacting a Residential College Dean.

Application Process for Shared Bath Singles/Private Bathroom Pre-Draw

Adopted Summer 2016, to be shared with students

Application Process

- Online application will go live end of January.
- Deadline for completion is in early February.
- Students who select this accommodation in housing form will be followed up with for a 15-minute meeting with the dean who oversees the accommodations housing process (currently the Assistant Dean of Undergraduate Students) and the Director of LGBT Center or the Manager of Undergraduate Housing, to occur in early February.
 - Conversation will be brief, and insuring that student is in need of this pre-draw process versus being adequately served as part of the general gender-inclusive housing draw.
 - Students are advised that if they qualify, they will be accommodated, but they may not get their first choice of room or number of roommates.
 - Students are advised that people with disabilities and medical accommodations may also be seeking these rooms.
 - Students are advised that often these rooms are either singles or doubles, so they should think about who they might want to room with if they are assigned a double.
- The three administrators noted above (dean who oversees the accommodations housing process, Manager of Undergraduate Housing and Director of LGBT Center) meet to check in on applications and make pre-draw placements for students who applied and qualify.
- Final decisions will be made by the dean and Manager of Undergraduate Housing, with input from the Director of LGBT Center.
- Students will be informed of decision by end of February, and assignments are final.

Criteria for Obtaining Shared Bath Singles/Private Bathroom Pre-Draw

Adopted Summer 2016, to be followed by Housing staff

- Main consideration is student need and safety. If a student, especially a transgender or gender non-conforming student, feels unsafe or that a multi-stall restroom does not meet their needs, we will accommodate them with either a room that has a private bathroom (single occupancy or shared bath single) or a room that is near to a single-occupancy bathroom.
- Review process should not focus in any way on “verifying” a student’s trans or gender non-conforming identity. We will trust that students are who they say they are, and an assessment of their identity will not be part of the decision-making process.
- No medical documentation is required, but if students would like to include any, they are welcome to provide this documentation to the dean who oversees the accommodations/special-needs housing process. The dean would determine the need for consultation with other University offices.
- These students will be accommodated, but they may not get their first choice of room or number of roommates.
- Final decisions will be made by the dean responsible for overseeing the accommodations housing process and Manager of Undergraduate Housing, with input from the Director of LGBT Center. Contracts will be issued by the Housing office after all interviews with students are complete, and the assignments will be final.



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President's Report Sunday, November 20th, 2016

I. Key Updates and Meetings

- USG Elections
 - Registration deadline on Tuesday noon.
 - Total 20 students attended both open houses.
 - Campaigning Period: After Thanksgiving Break, Monday, November 28th
 - Voting Dates: December 5-7 (First-round) & December 12-14 (Runoff)
- CPUC Meeting on Monday, November 14th
 - Committee on Naming Update
 - Myesha Jemison (2018 Class Senator) and Devin Kilpatrick (U-Councilor)
 - Over 150 Responses
 - Online Form – How do we make sure students know about it and submit suggestions?
 - We Speak Survey Recap
 - Regan Crotty, Title IX Coordinator presented on it.
 - Discussed:
 - Sexual Harassment in Departments- in particular with respect to graduate students
 - SCORE Program for Athletes
 - Sophomores at a higher risk
 - Board Plan Review Committee
 - Also has online suggestions/comments.
 - How can we get all these feedback mechanisms out to students without overwhelming students.
 - USG/ GSG/ Grad Housing Presentations
 - First time in recent memory that the student governments have presented
- Meeting with President Eisgruber on Wednesday
 - With Jeremy Burton (VP)
 - A few of the topics we touched on: U.S. Election, We Speak Survey, Independent Students, Petitions.
- Board of Trustees Meeting
 - Student Life, Health, and Athletics Trustees Meeting
 - First time in recent memory USG and GSG have presented to the board of trustees.
- Princeton Student Dining Advisory Board
 - Applications for the board will come out either this weekend or after Thanksgiving Break.
- Met with 2 students to get bubble tea for Restaurant Week
 - Hidden message in the school-wide email from the day of elections!
 - We went to More Café!



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II. Looking Ahead

- Meetings
 - Moving and Storage/ Student Agencies
 - Would like to present a Greek life Task Force Recap from Last Semester
 - Need to meet with members from last year first
- Women's Leadership Task Force Application Closed Saturday at midnight!
 - Great work by the members of the task force and there was high interest in the task force!
- Reminders:
 - Before emailing any administrators, you need to email me and Jeremy with your request. We are keeping track of who we are reaching out to, it is important you do this.
 - If the Prince or other groups reach out to you, email me, Jeremy, and David Lopera before you respond back.

III. Final Stride

- What are the 3 campus issues that you would like more information, policy workshops, etc. before the end of the semester?



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November CPUC Meeting

Project Leader: Pooja Patel '18 (U-Council Chair), Miranda Rosen '18 (Ex-Com Rep)
Project Team Members: U-Council
Date: 11/14/16

Agenda

- **Report from the CPUC Special Committee on Naming**
 - Presented by **Angela Creager**, Chair of CPUC Special Committee on Naming
 - Clarification: not renaming existing buildings, but recommending and soliciting suggestions for unnamed buildings or new buildings in the future
 - Two buildings being under consideration since September 2016: the atrium of the Robertson Hall, West College
 - How can you give your input?
 - Go to the URL, and click the 'Request for Advice and Suggestions' tab
 - **namingcommittee.princeton.edu**
 - Received 150 ideas so far (since website just opened last week)
- **2016 WeSpeak Survey Results Presentation**
 - Presented by **Regan Crotty**, Title IX administrator
 - Purpose of survey to collect data on sexual misconduct experiences on campus, awareness of sexual misconduct, and how to better preventative and training programs
 - Nearly 50% of the undergrad/grad student body took the survey
 - Planning on administering for 3rd year in April 2017
 - **Awareness of Resources: Positive Movement**
 - 83% of campus knows where to get help (up from 66% last year)
 - 71% know where to report (up from ~40% last year)
 - **Awareness of the SHARE office increased**
 - Grad Students: 60% to 85%
 - **Estimated Prevalence:** consisted data with what other schools are seeing, some improvement but still too many of these experiences
 - Sexual Misconduct
 - 1 in 7 students experiences sexual misconduct over a 7-8 month period
 - 1 in 4 undergraduate women, 1 in 7 graduate women
 - Nonconsensual Sexual Contact:



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- 1 in 11 students in the university total
 - Nonconsensual Sexual Penetration
 - 1 in 24 undergraduate women (most at-risk group)
 - Sexual Harassment: Graduate Students
 - 40% of incidents involved an academic or work setting
- **Factors that correlate with risk of experiencing inappropriate sexual behavior:**
 - Undergraduate students who identified as women 2-5x greater chance than men
 - Sophomores are most at risk
- **Prevention Efforts**
 - Not Anymore for first-year undergraduate and graduate students, Not Anymore booster for juniors (NEW), In-person debriefing of the orientation play for freshmen by SHARE peers (NEW), Clarifying Consent additional module for incoming graduate students (NEW), reporting video for faculty and staff (NEW), Preventing Sexual Harassment online training for 2nd-year graduate students
- **Faculty Student Committee on Sexual Misconduct**
 - Nicole Shelton, new co-chair
 - '15-16 Recommendations: Training, Programming, Eating Clubs, Athletics
- **Board Plan Review Committee Presentation**
 - Presented by **Dean of Rocky College Oliver Avens** and **Smitha Haneef, Executive Director of Campus Dining**
 - Two committees: student experience, space and usage
- **USG Presentation** (Presented by President **Aleks Czulak**)
 - Went over USG Senate Structure (Class Government vs. Senate), key priorities, pulse test results, academic calendar survey in Spring 2016, Projects Board and new student groups, other community engagement initiatives
 - 5 Key Priorities
 - Mental Health and Wellness (ie. PPP), Diversity and Equity (ie. LEAD Summit), working with other campus partners (ie. ICC, University Services, ODUS, Office of the VP of Campus Life, Office of the Dean of the College), Inclusive Programming (ie. lawnparties, events, etc.), empowering and supporting student groups and initiatives
 - Upcoming: Elections, Referenda
- **GSG Presentation** (Presented by President **Mircea Davidescu**)
 - 10 executive members, 45 assembly members, \$40,000 annual budget
 - Future of the Graduate School Task Force Final Report



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- 95% report a good or better academic experiences at Princeton
- <70% report a good or better non-academic or student life experience
- **Challenges:**
 - Inclusion (having a sense of community on campus)
 - Residency (graduate students want to live on campus, how can Princeton meet this demand)
 - Professional Development (how to prepare for changing job market)
- **GSG Housing Project Presentation**
 - Presented by **Akhil War-Daniels** (?)
 - Graduate Student Housing (central topic of concern, demolition of many complexes, creation of Lakeside apartments)
 - **Graduate Housing Project** (defined issues, evaluate them, generate solutions)
 - **Major concerns** (2016 Graduate Housing Survey: 1400 participants)
 - Housing stock (64% capacity for all enrolled graduate students, more than 90% want to live on campus because of research reasons, greater sense of community, transportation, teaching responsibilities, campus resources access, and financial reasons)
 - Housing operations
 - Families



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Committee Updates

Project Leaders: Michael Cox, Shannon Osaka, Rachel Park, Jenny Zhang
Date: November 20, 2016

CCA:

- **Restaurant Week**
 - Successful in terms of deals
 - 16 participating restaurants
 - Less student attendance/awareness
 - Jammin' Crepes emailed and said that a lot of people were unaware when they approached the counter, but were excited to hear about the deal when asked if they wanted to participate

USLC:

- **Coat Drive Giveaway**
 - Week after Thanksgiving
 - Send out notice before Thanksgiving so people know this is happening
 - Suggest people bring coats from home after Thanksgiving that they are willing to donate
- **Phone Chargers**
 - Gathered information on supply in Frist
 - Will be speaking with people in Firestone and Lewis after break
 - Funding?
- **Building Information**
 - How to request access to certain buildings (Icahn, Jadwin, etc.)
 - Admins from building services will be present at large USLC meeting on November 30th, will ask all questions there
- **Transportation Student Advisory Board**
 - Will select a few USLC members to serve on the advisory board
 - Reflect issues with Zagster, discuss potential bus lines, etc.