



# Graduate Student Assembly

## Board of Directors

Moe Shamim, President  
Andres Garcia, Vice President  
Sachin Jain, Treasurer  
Bonnie Gang, Secretary

Sunil Jathar, Member-at-Large  
Nicole Holt, Member-at-Large  
Emily Rotella, Member-at-Large  
Holly Blondin, Member-at-Large

## Faculty Advisor

Carl Aylman

All current members of the GSA have been newly elected for the year 2009-2010. The board is comprised of a group of highly motivated and energetic people. Let's take a look at look what the group has accomplished over the month of September 2009.

- Elected nine members for the GSA board via rigorous screening process
- Established GSA presence in the Social Networking world via Facebook™  
*Group Name: Friends of GSA at Baruch College*  
<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=93021333158>
- Set up GSA website on Blackboard™
- Planned the GSA Social for Fall, 09
- Planned Leadership Summit for Fall, 09
- Reached out to all clubs for meet and greet
- Reviewed the club budgets

As a team, the board plans to accomplish new heights of achievement while continuing to cherish traditions such as *GSA Socials*. Below is a role by role basis plan of each of our members for the year of 2009-2010.

### **Academic Affairs Committee Chair – Emily Rotella:**

Collectively, the GSA Board of Directors has undertaken the responsibility to help strengthen Baruch's academic and professional reputation throughout the country. *Emily* will be actively researching processes to improve our curriculum. She will oversee the appointment of students to various college and school committees. *Emily* will serve on the Curriculum Committee as well.

### **Programming Chair - Nicole Holt:**

Historically, Baruch has attracted more student leaders from Zicklin than from the SPA or the Weissman. One of our goals this year is to encourage and cultivate more leaders from the other schools as we strongly believe in diversity in demographic as well as academic background. As a step toward achieving this goal, *Nicole* has started working with her fellow SPA students. Through networking and GCMC, she is also reaching out to the Weissman students.

### **Social Committee Chair – Holly Blondin:**

*All work and no play makes Jack a boy dull* - we all know the proverb. *Holly* plans to make sure that our graduate students have events to look forward to where they can unwind. To this extent, she will organize two *GSA Socials*; one in Fall, 09 and the other in the Spring, 10. She will also organize a year-end get together of all graduate students.

### **Club Liaison Chair – Sunil Jathar:**

As of September, 09 Baruch College hosts 16 Graduate Clubs. Collaborating with all of these clubs and integrating their efforts for a productive outcome is a great responsibility. *Sunil* has accepted this responsibility and already has reached out to the clubs to respond to their questions and concerns for the year ahead.

### **Secretary – Bonnie Gang:**

GSA itself has a fair amount of administrative tasks that must be flawless. Any lack of discipline in communication or administrative tasks can bring about unwanted situations. The GSA is lucky to have *Bonnie* who will ensure that all GSA efforts are documented properly and all documents are organized for the efficient execution of plans.

### **Treasurer – Sachin Jain:**

Keeping track of the budgets of sixteen clubs, handling invoices issued by miscellaneous vendors is no simple task. *Sachin* will perform this challenging role where he promises to bring in his outstanding bookkeeping skills. In addition, in a time when very few vendors are willing to extend credits to the customers, *Sachin* will be a key player in each transaction that takes place between any vendor and the graduate clubs.

### **Vice President – Andres Garcia:**

President of the GSA will be closely working with the VP *Andres* in all matters. *Andres* will play a key role in all decision making process of the GSA as he is one of the experienced GSA members who served on the last year's board. In particular, the VP will ensure that club events are promoted and budgets are prepared following the Baruch College Association policies. In addition, the GSA will rely upon *Andres* on any issues with BCTC and ListServe.

### **President – Moe Shamim:**

While overseeing all clubs and the board members, the President will continue to take initiatives to achieve GSA's mission. In addition, Moe will attend the *Baruch College Association Board of Directors'* meeting that takes place once a month. He will also serve on the *Baruch Auxiliary Enterprises Board of Directors'* committee that meets several times a year. He will represent the voice of graduate students in all upcoming orientations.

While above is a synopsis of what each of the members plan to do for the rest of the year, the list is not exhaustive. Members of the GSA will continue to harness their creativity, academic and social skills to enrich the experience at Baruch College for themselves and for the rest of the student body.

The GSA will provide numerous opportunities for students to get involved in the Baruch community. In addition to hosting many educational, social and networking events throughout the year, the GSA enlists the support of graduate students to serve as representatives on various faculty/student committees of the three schools: Zicklin School of Business, School of Public Affairs and Weissman School of Arts and Sciences.

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## Upcoming Events ...

- **GSA Social**  
Open to All Graduate Students  
Wednesday October 14, 2009  
Room NVC 14-220  
7:00 - 10:00 p.m.  
Must be **21 years** of age and have graduate student **ID** to enter
- **Leadership Training Summit**  
Open to All Graduate Clubs  
Month: November  
Date: TBD

### Mission Statement

Through leadership, we promote and advocate the diverse interests of Baruch College's graduate student community. We provide a forum to network, exchange ideas and unite as one voice, while in the pursuit of achieving our academic goals.