

This is your weekly summary of news from the SAPA Board:

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## MEETINGS

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**SAPA would like to thank all of the students who were able to make it to our final meeting of the semester! Good luck on your exams and/or final assignments!**

**\*\*Click [here](#) to view meeting minutes from the November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

**GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT (GSG) MEETING:** The next GSG meeting will be held this Thursday (12/6) at 5:30PM in Memorial Hall Room 127.

## UPDATES

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**SPRING 2013 COURSE REGISTRATION:** Course registration for Spring 2013 is open! To confirm your registration appointment, sign up for courses, or to check for holds on your account, log onto your [UDSIS Account](#).

**DISSERTATION BOOT CAMP:** UD's Office of Graduate and Professional Education and the Writing Program are again joining forces to offer an intensive workshop, scheduled Jan. 7-18, for doctoral students who are writing their dissertation or who have found their writing progress stalled. Students accepted to the program will commit to attending a writing session from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, for two consecutive weeks. To apply, interested students should complete the Dissertation Boot Camp application form [here](#). It requires a brief proposal (no more than 300 words) explaining what students will accomplish during the workshop.

**\*\*Applications are due December 18<sup>th</sup> and should be mailed to [DBC@english.udel.edu](mailto:DBC@english.udel.edu).**

## EVENTS

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**SAPA BAKE SALE:** On Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-3PM in Graham Hall Room 183, SAPA will be hosting its **Annual Bake Sale!** Purchasing our baked goods will help **support the \*\*SAPA Student Award**. To ensure that the fundraiser is a success, we are seeking the help of **volunteer bakers!** Volunteer bakers will help SAPA Board Members bake and assemble baked goods for the bake sale. To sign up to help, please visit <http://bit.ly/TxUsFX> and provide us with the following information:

- Your first and last name,
- Your email address,
- The item(s) you will be bringing to the bake sale, and
- Your ability to bring your baked good(s) to Graham Hall Room 183 by 9AM on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

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**During the fundraiser on December 5<sup>th</sup>, we will also be taking orders for holiday cookie tins and cookie baking kits that you can purchase and share with your family over the holidays!**

Come support our annual fundraiser and buy some sweet treats!

\*\*The Student Association of Policy and Administration (SAPA) will annually confer an award in recognition of exemplary service to a student of the School of Public Policy and Administration (SPPA). The award is to show appreciation to a single student, or students, for dedicated service within the student association. Student nominations will be reviewed by the SAPA Board and should be received by March. The SAPA Board will decide which nominations are forwarded to the SPPA Honors Awards Committee.

**HURRICANE SANDY COLLECTION DRIVE:** SAPA's Community Service Committee is collecting monetary donations to benefit local organizations in New Jersey and New York who are providing relief efforts to victims of Hurricane Sandy. **The donation drive will run from December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 to December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012.** A donation jar has been set up in Diana Simmons' office in 184A Graham Hall. These communities have a long road to recovery and your donation can truly make a difference. Thank you in advance for your support!

**SPPA RESEARCH SEMINAR SERIES:** On Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012, Dr. Danilo Yanich will be giving a presentation titled *Policy Research and Speaking Truth to Power in the Media Ownership Wars* as part of SPPA's Fall 2012 Research Seminar Series. His presentation will begin at 12:20PM in Graham Hall Room 185.

\*\*Seminar Series participants who would like to receive a free lunch, courtesy of SPPA, should notify Diana Simmons ([dwalls@udel.edu](mailto:dwalls@udel.edu)) no later than the afternoon of Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

**SEOUL FIELD TRIP PRESENTATION:** Interested in learning about urban policy and management in Seoul, South Korea? If you are, please join Hannah, Kechen, Natasha, Stephen, Cimone, and YingYing as they present an account of their experiences in Seoul, South Korea, on Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:35PM in Graham Hall 185.

**NEW VISIONS FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS (NVPA) SUBMISSIONS WORKSHOP:** NVPA, the graduate student public affairs journal of SPPA, will be hosting a workshop for all students interested in submitting a paper to Volume 5 of the journal on **Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6PM in Graham Hall Room 185.** During the workshop, NVPA editors will be covering common issues regarding format and style, APA citation (6<sup>th</sup> ed.), as well as the journal's submission assessment rubric. Attending the workshop is a great way to meet NVPA's editors and talk to them about the format and style of the piece you would like to submit to the journal. If you have any questions regarding the workshop, or the journal more generally, please email Editor-in-Chief Paul Ruiz ([pruiz@udel.edu](mailto:pruiz@udel.edu)).

Please feel free to email us at [sapassociation@gmail.com](mailto:sapassociation@gmail.com) with any questions, comments, or additions to the weekly email. Thanks!

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**POLICY SOLUTIONS CHALLENGE USA INFORMATION SESSION:** [Policy Solution Challenge USA](#) is a national competition among teams of students from U.S. schools. The team competitions are modeled after business plan competitions in MBA programs and are designed to highlight the analytic skills and creativity of our extraordinary students. SPPA is hosting a competitive Policy Solutions Challenge on February 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The competition will involve up to 8 teams of 3-5 students each from public policy and administration programs in the Mid-Atlantic region. Undergraduate, masters, and PhD students are encouraged to apply for a spot on our School's team. Undergraduates who want to join the team must have already taken UAPP 325 (Public Policy Analysis). **An information session will be held on Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:30PM – 6PM in 187 Graham Hall for students who are interested in joining the team. You may also contact Professor Sarzynski ([apsarzyn@udel.edu](mailto:apsarzyn@udel.edu)) if you cannot make the information session.**

**YULETIDE AT WINTERTHUR (UD NIGHT):** The Winterthur Museum (5105 Kennett Pike, Wilmington, DE 19807) and UD's Graduate Student Government invite you to enjoy a one-hour tour of Henry Francis du Pont's mansion decorated for the Holidays! UD students, faculty, staff, and immediate family members will enjoy a special admission rate--\$10 per ticket. Families with young children are encouraged to attend this family-friendly event. Tickets for children ages 2-11 are \$5; and Children under 2 can attend the event free of charge. To reserve your ticket, call 302.888.4600 x7029. (Please state your UD affiliation). For more information, please call 888.448.3883, or visit Winterthur's "Yuletide at Winterthur webpage" [here](#).

\*\*If you reserve tickets to the event ahead of time, please pay for those tickets at the door. Deadline for registration is Friday, December 14, or until full.

Thanks

#### **SAPA BOARD**

(Nathan Roby, Kathryn Lonczewski, Cimone Philpotts, Ama Nyame-Mensah, Rachel Linstead-Goldsmith, Allison Rice, Jennifer Lazo, Jennifer Nichols, Matthew Parkhurst, and David Barnes).

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