

## **Report of the HSA, January 6, 2017**

### **COMPLETED**

- Our “Day at the Museum” trip in early December went well! It served as a good study break right before finals began.
- Peer tutoring sessions for 200-level course finals were held the last week of classes and first week of exams.

### **CURRENT INITIATIVES**

- We have been working a beginner’s/U1 guide to History and resources masterlist over the break and will continue to into the new semester, in order to help new students tackle the transition into the program and large workload associated with it. Hopefully we’ll be able to make something easily revisable to stay relevant and helpful for students in years to come.
- There is a collection of History books sitting in our office that our VP Events has been cataloguing over the break to create for a lending library for students. Most of the books are assigned texts for classes and have no or limited copies in the library, so we hope creating a library will make these resources more accessible.
- A second research essay skills workshop run by the History librarian is being planned for early February.
- We’re exploring the option of potentially creating two separate positions for VP External and Academic next year. The original reason for combining them, lack of interest, is no longer the case, and separating them would allow for more time to dedicate to those portfolios.
- Designs for apparel are being finalized and we hope orders will go out within the next couple weeks.
- We have a list of research-focused and more fun events we hope to host this upcoming semester and are currently working out the schedule and budget details for them, but stay tuned because we’re pretty excited!

Respectfully Submitted,

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