

Bill # 70-14

**The Graduate and Professional Student Association  
(GPSA)  
The Pennsylvania State University**



**of the 70th Assembly**  
February 3, 2021

*Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,*

**Virtual, At-Home Pottery-Painting Event Part 3**  
**Funding for take-home pottery-painting kits**  
(Decided: [ Y / N / A ])

1 **Nature of the Situation:**

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3 GPSA provides programming events to enrich graduate and professional student life and  
4 promote a sense of community among graduate and professional students at Penn State.  
5 Along with the typical stresses that graduate and professional study incurs, necessary  
6 social distancing and remote work caused by COVID-19 have increased the need for  
7 social interaction and mental health breaks while decreasing the options available for  
8 events and spontaneous experiences. 2000 Degrees, a local paint-your-own pottery  
9 studio, provides a method for doing this in a fun and socially distanced way through their  
10 take-home pottery-painting kits.

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12 We previously proposed monthly virtual pottery-painting nights from September to  
13 November 2020, in which participants were able to customize a pottery-painting kit to be  
14 picked up curbside at 2000 Degrees' downtown studio. Given the popularity of the events  
15 in the Fall semester, we once again propose three more painting nights from March to  
16 May 2021. The Programming Committee will host a virtual painting night each month to  
17 allow graduate and professional students to meet and interact with one another while  
18 painting their pottery. Similar to the Fall events, graduate and professional students will

1 sign up through a Google form and be sent a promo code to order their own pottery. The  
2 event is first-come first-serve based, and registrations from first-time participants will be  
3 prioritized to maximize community engagement. These events will be advertised via our  
4 newswire and GPSA social media accounts.

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6 **Recommended Course of Action:**  
7 The Graduate and Professional Student Association authorizes the Programming  
8 Committee to purchase 210 \$25 vouchers for take-home pottery-painting kits for the  
9 months of March, April, and May. The total amount is chosen to supply 70 kits for graduate  
10 and professional students attending each of the two monthly events, for a total of 210 kits.

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12 \$5250 = 210 x \$25 take-home pottery-painting kit vouchers

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14 **Total: \$5250**

Respectfully submitted,

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