

Bill # 71-13

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



of the 71st Assembly
October 27th, 2021

Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,

IGSA Co-sponsorship
Co-sponsorship for Indian Graduate Student Association's Bollywood Night
(Decided: [Y / N / A])

Nature of the Situation:

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In accordance with the missions of the Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA), the GPSA seeks to support external graduate student organizations that enrich the lives of graduate and professional students at Penn State. One of these organizations is the Indian Graduate Student Association (IGSA). Formed in the Spring of 2003, this student-run organization acts as a welcoming community for Indian graduate and professional students and post-doctoral scholars at Penn State. IGSA's goals are to provide incoming Indian graduate and professional students and scholars the know-how of navigating the graduate/professional life in State College, help smoothen their transition to a new place, and showcase Indian culture and traditions in the diverse communities here at Penn State.

In line with its goals, IGSA is planning on hosting a Bollywood Dance Night on November 13th, 2021, at HUB 233 A & B. During this event, attendees will socialize, learn dance steps to Bollywood music, participate in games, and will be provided with takeout boxes for food so that the food can be eaten safely outside the venue. The event is open to all graduate and professional students at Penn State, free of charge. IGSA seeks to acquire funding for t-shirts and hoodies (which will be given out as prizes), the venue and equipment, posters and banners, and decorations. While UPAC was approached for funding, the IGSA board, being fairly new this year, was unaware of the process and missed a meeting with UPAC. IGSA is hence approaching GPSA for funding these items.

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Recommended Course of Action:

The Graduate and Professional Student Association agrees to co-sponsor IGSA's Bollywood Dance Night on November 13th. The total cost of the event is \$2165, and the GPSA is being requested to fund \$1007 (~46.5% of the total cost). The items to be funded are as follows:

- Venue and equipment: \$271
- IGSA Merchandise (to be given out as prizes): \$466
- Printouts and banners: \$220
- Decorations: \$50

Total amount requested from GPSA: \$1007

Respectfully submitted,

Sandeep Krishnakumar
Speaker of the Assembly
Delegate, College of Engineering

President _____

Affirm Veto

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The Graduate and Professional Student Association

GPSA Co-Sponsorship Request Form



The Penn State Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) must follow certain rules when providing funding for co-sponsorships for events or other items. Please make sure to read these guidelines carefully before requesting GPSA funding.

- **The GPSA must be given one week's notice of collaboration with any external organization. The purpose is to ensure that the organization is in compliance with the University's Core Values including diversity, inclusion, and equity.**
- A GPSA Delegate must submit a funding bill to the Assembly, and the GPSA must be involved in planning the event. Visit gpsa.psu.edu/assembly to find contact information for current Assembly Delegates.
- A budget breakdown of event costs must be submitted with this form
- The event must be open to all students (undergraduate, graduate, professional)
- The GPSA will only fund specific line items (i.e. food, room rentals, speaker fees, etc.); preference will be given to payments made directly by the GPSA to vendors via invoice, and transfers to a student organization account or reimbursements to an individual for payments made are strongly discouraged
- Because the GPSA's funding comes from the University Park Student Fee Board, at most up to 90% of the event cost can be funded from the GPSA for co-sponsorships

Request Information

Request Date: 18th October, 2021

Organization Name: Indian Graduate Student Association (IGSA)

Organization Contact Person: Sana Ahrar (Secretary, IGSA)

Email: sa5735@psu.edu

Organization Contact Person: Shai Sundar (President, IGSA)

Email: shai@psu.edu

GPSA Representative Sponsoring Request: Sandeep Krishnakumar (Speaker of the Assembly, Delegate for the College of Engineering)

Email: sandeepkrish@psu.edu

Event Details

Event Name: Bollywood Dance Night

Date and Time of Event: 13th November, 2021, 7pm-11pm

Event Location: 233A & B, Hub

Estimated Total Attendance: 144 people capacity

Graduate/Professional Students: 90% of attendees are expected to be graduate and professional students

Ticket or Pre-Registration Required: No tickets required. Pre-registration required; on-spot registration will also be possible.

Cost to Attend Event: Nil

Brief Event Description:

A Bollywood themed dance event for the graduate community at Penn State. The music will include songs from Bollywood music, participants will learn basic dance steps and may also participate in games. Prizes will be given out to winners. Food will be provided in boxes in a takeout manner and can be eaten outside the venue. All students are welcome, but registration will be required.

How Event Will Be Advertised: IGSA Facebook page and posters

Funding Details

Total Requested from GPSA: Approx. \$1007

Total Cost of Event: \$2165

Please also submit a budget breakdown of event costs with this form

Funding Amount Requested from Other Sources (By Source): \$1158 from NAAIS (North American Association of Indian Students)

Description	Amount	Amount Requested from	Vendor/ Receipt from
Venue + equipment (projector, microphone)	\$271	GPSA	Hub
IGSA Merchandise (hoodies)	14 Hoodies with logo=\$322 12 T-shirts with Penn State & IGSA logo =\$144	GPSA	Collegiate Pride
Printouts/ Banners	\$220	GPSA	Hub Marketing (possibly)
Miscellaneous (Decoration hangings, etc.)	\$50	GPSA	
Prizes	\$50	NAAIS+ZEE5	NA
Food	\$7/per person x 144 people = \$1008	NAAIS+ZEE5	NA
Photobooths	\$100	NAAIS+ZEE5	NA

Vendors Being Used:

Vendors Accept Penn State Purchase Orders (Yes/No): Yes

Vendor Willing to Invoice GPSA (Yes/No): Yes

If you answered no to both of the above questions, you will need to discuss payment options with the GPSA treasurer at least one month before your event

For GPSA Treasurer Use

Bill Number:

Total Approved:

Total Paid:
Bill Close Date: