



2021–2022 ESA Meeting 1 Agenda

Thu 9/17/21 @ 2:00 PM EDT [via Zoom](#)¹

Fellowship and mingling (2:00 PM EDT)

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Announcements and Co-Chair updates (2:15 PM EDT)

Administrative announcements

Get connected!

- Listserv (ESA-I): <https://gc.listserv.cuny.edu/>
- Commons group: <http://cuny.is/group-esa>
- Discord:  How to Join/Use ESA Discord Server : <https://discord.gg/ujr4Byk7mM>

Fall 2021 ESA Meetings (use this link: <https://tinyurl.com/ESAmtgsF21S22>)

- Use the same Zoom room every time:
- Here's a list of upcoming meetings:
 - **Meeting 2** – Thu 10/14 @ 6:30 PM EDT
 - **Meeting 3** – Mon 11/8 @ 6:30 PM EST
 - **Meeting 4** – Fri 12/3 @ 12:00 PM EST

Co-Chair updates

EC updates from Fri 9/10 meeting

- Copy of notes can be found here:  2021_09_10 [PUBLIC] Executive Committee Meeting #1
- On budget etc.:

¹ We'll gather in the same Zoom meeting room for all of the ESA meetings this year. Here's the full Zoom information in case the shortened link malfunctions:

Topic: AY 2021–2022 ESA Meetings

Time: This is a recurring meeting

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88580077937?pwd=V3d2NXpvcTFkTnNGamNmZkZpcWRxdz09>

Meeting ID: 885 8007 7937

Passcode: 4406

- Kandice reports a “sense of severe shortages” this year after all; is expecting request from new provost for 5-year strategic plan to arrive later this month
- Unsure if promised restoration of cohort size to 15–16 will materialize; more information in due course
- CUNY is likely to be up to 70% in-person for Spring 2022 semester; administration is interested in having classes and events in person
- On adding two new student members to Curriculum Committee:
 - Generally in favor; unanimous consent to Kandice’s proposals (1) to add 2 temporary student members this AY and (2) to open consideration period on committee composition
 - See motion below to parallel EC vote
- Matter regarding elections procedure for Graduate Council positions
 - Kandice/EC is satisfied with status quo; would like approval from ESA to keep the 2 seats on Fall ballot)
 - Link to Graduate Council compliance document: <https://www.gc.cuny.edu/About-the-GC/Provost-s-Office/Governance,-Policies-Procedures/Detail?id=14699>
 - See motion below to maintain status quo?

Proposed changes to the Bylaws and Constitution documents to appear on this fall’s ad hoc ballot

- Blue text indicates amendments pending ratification:
 - ☰ [Pending Nov 2020 amendments] English Student Association Constitution and Bylaws

Discussion items

Gift bags for incoming first-years?

- Likely possible but depends on budget numbers (forthcoming mid-September)
- Contents?

Halloween event?

- Spooky Sessions and/or Spooky Meditations
- Friday Forum event à la Queer Valentines?
- Target date?

Community building ideas

- Picnic? Rent out and/or reserve first-floor auditorium or cafeteria?
- Wary of planning in-person events
- Online mixer? Speed “dating”? Trivia? May also be good to do on Discord!
 - Codenames online
 - Jackbox
- Date/time: Fridays 5-6 PM
 - 10/8 is portfolio showcase--a good opportunity for speed dating
 - 10/22 possible first-year forum on state of discipline--trivia night [floating; linked to showcase]
- Co-chairs will contact Discord admins (Zach and Miranda) to brainstorm and plan
 - Use funds to secure Discord nitro

Motions, votes, and official business

- Motion to add to fall ballot 2 ad hoc positions on Curriculum Committee?
 - Seconded
 - 9 approve with one abstention
- Motion to maintain status quo regarding Graduate Council elections process?
 - Seconded
 - 8 approve, 2 abstentions

Committee updates (2:45 PM EDT)

Committee	Members	Updates
Admissions and Financial Aid	Sharanya Dutta Valerie Fryer-Davis Sylvia Korman Christian Lewis Nik Valdez Jeff Voss Mitchell Wilson Inma Zanoquera	
Alumni and Fundraising	[open]	
Co-Chair	Will Arguelles Gen Bettendorf Olivia Wood	
Conference Operations	Dasharah Green Janelle Poe Holden Taylor Jeff Voss	
Conference Steering	[TBD]	
Course Assessment	[open]	
Curriculum	Vallerie Matos Katharine Williams	
Diversity	Filipa Calado Miranda Hajduk Sharifa Hampton Janelle Poe Emily Price Eric Dean Wilson Inma Zanoquera	
Elections	Onur Ayaz Valerie Fryer-Davis	Lots of open positions, please nominate (Closes 9/22 at midnight): https://forms.gle/RjxaA1dAdU5A9hdq5
Executive	Cary Fitzgerald	

	Sukie Kim	
Faculty Membership	Cary Fitzgerald Andre Perez Alexa Punnamkuzhyil	
Friday Forum	Sandra Goldstein Dasharah Green	
Placement	Madeleine Barnes Joseph Caceres Sam O'Hana Rob Yates	No updates as far as I know, Tanya hasn't held or scheduled a meeting yet -- S.O.
Recruitment	Madeleine Barnes Miranda Hajduk Sharifa Hampton Alessandra Occhiolini Katharine Williams	
Representative Outreach	Joseph Caceres Sharifa Hampton Sean Nortz Rob Yates	No updates.
Website and Editorial	Zach Muhlbauer	No updates – feel free to request any posts, revisions, or additions to the website on an ad hoc basis. I'm on standby! Same goes for channel/redesign suggestions for the Discord server.

Attendees

William Arguelles
 Gen Bettendorf
 Olivia Wood
 Val Fryer-Davis
 Eric Dean Wilson
 Sharifa Hampton
 Mitchell Wilson
 Sandra Goldstein Lehnert
 Zach Muhlbauer
 Sam O'Hana