

CRDM STUDENT ASSOCIATION

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



CRDMSA UPDATES

See page 2 for the full update from the CRDMSA board. Here are the topics for this month's update:

- Virtual Conference Funding
- CRDMSA Technology Award
- New CRDM Student Discord
- New Exam Option

INSTAGRAM TAKEOVER

We're still looking for members of the CRDM community to take over our [Instagram](#) for a week! This includes you, awesome faculty! You can introduce yourself, your work, your pets, etc. so Instagram can get to know our program better.

If you're interested in taking over our CRDM Instagram for a week, fill out our [Google Form](#) to get signed up!

FIRST-YEAR SPOTLIGHT: KELSEY DUFRESNE

Below are Kelsey's highlights from her bio. Remember to check out full spotlights on [Wordpress](#).

From: All over

Masters: MA in Literature from NCSU

Research Interests: education, literature, and digital humanities

Hobbies: making pasta and various types of art

GSA UPDATES

See page 2 for the full update from our wonderful GSA Rep, Amber! Here are the topics for this month's update:

- Prizes for Research Poster Contest
- GSA Letter to Administration on Spring 2021
- GSA Statement on Proposed International Student Rules

CONGRATS TO OUR CRDM FRIENDS!

CRDMSA sends a big CONGRATULATIONS to our friends who recently became ABD or successfully defended their dissertations!

- Asa McMullin (ABD)
- Beth Greene (ABD)
- Dr. Ryan Grady
- Dr. Hannah Mayfield

FIRST-YEAR SPOTLIGHT: MARGARET BAKER

Below are Margaret's highlights from her bio. Remember to check out full spotlights on [Wordpress](#).

From: North Carolina

Research Interests: virtual and augmented technology, nonprofit fundraising, and psychosocial and emotional psychological stimuli

Hobbies: travel, photography, and spending as much time as possible outdoors



CRDMSA MONTHLY UPDATE FROM THE BOARD

If membership dues are included in your virtual conference fees, be sure to include them in your funding request! If you have already submitted a request and did not include membership dues, reach out to Charlotte Wilkins about revising your request.

CRDMSA now offers a Technology Award! You can apply for up to \$100 towards whatever technology you need for research, teaching, writing, etc. You can only receive this award once during your tenure in the CRDM program, so think carefully about what you may need and when! If you applied this semester and weren't chosen to receive the reward or if you didn't get your application in on time, apply again in the spring!

Note: "technology" is being defined broadly by the Technology Award Committee. If you have any questions, reach out to Ragan, Aaron, Bryce, and/or Carrie.

Who's hanging out in Discord? We are! CRDMSA has put together a Discord committee to set up and run a cool space for us! Never been on Discord? Want to learn more? Stay tuned for info about our new space from Tyler and Bryce!

CRDMSA is excited about the new exam option and we hope you are, too! If you missed Nick's email, this new third option offers students up to seven days (one whole week!) to work on their responses to all three exam questions. If you have a hectic work schedule, need breaks while writing to protect your sanity and creative flow, have family responsibilities, or anything else that makes a seven day period work better for you than the four hours / three days option, this is for you!

GSA MONTHLY UPDATE FROM AMBER

\$\$\$ Prizes for Research Poster Contest (Upcoming): GSA's Research Recognition Committee is putting together a research showcase where students will be asked to put together an infographic on their research. First place winner will receive a \$200 gift card; second place will get a \$100 gift card, and third place a \$25 gift card. If selected as a top 3 winner, you'll also get a quality print of your poster for free. Be on the lookout for an email in the next few weeks with contest entry information, but feel free to start putting together your poster if you're interested in entering! More information in the attached slideshow.

GSA Letter to Administration on Spring 2021: GSA voted "yes" on sending [this document](#) to administration, which addresses some of the failures of the fall reopening plan and makes several requests moving forward with the spring 2021 semester.

GSA Statement on Proposed International Student Rules: GSA voted "yes" on sending [this letter](#) regarding the proposed change affecting international students applying for admissions and/or studying in the US. The letter was submitted as a comment on the proposed change on the evening of October 26, 2020.