

# *Council of Graduate Students*

## **General Meeting (October 08,2008) - Meeting Minutes**

In attendance - 70

- 4:45 PM Agenda for the meeting was proposed by President Rakesh Gudavarthy and was approved by the audience without any abstentions.
- 4:50 PM Roll call for departmental representatives - Amardeep Kaur
- 5:00 PM President Rakesh introduced and welcomed guest speaker for the day - Ms. Carmina Arriola from the Office of International Affairs.  
She gave valuable information about OPT workshops, CPT workshops, forms, guidelines and deadlines to be followed for these training. She also talked about various requirements to be fulfilled to avail training opportunities. She also talked about new rules being followed up for international students. She briefly discussed study abroad programs being run by International Affairs office. This information session was followed by a question answer session.
- 5:45 PM Budget requirements of CGS for year 2009-2010 were put forth by treasurer Xuhui Lu. He discussed various sections of budgets and the changes made compared to last year's budget.
- 5:55 PM Proposal for salaries to be given out to CGS executive board (proposed to be started from next elected executive board) was discussed by President Rakesh.
- 6:00 PM Updates from Graduate Newsletter Committee were given by Editor Preetam Modur.
- 6:05 PM Meeting was called for an adjourn.