

## **Resolution to Fund Iris Photo Booth in the Career Services Center**

**To:** The GAPSA General Assembly

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**ABSTRACT:** The Graduate and Professional Student Assembly at the University of Pennsylvania has drafted a resolution directing 7,000 dollars from the President's discretionary fund and 10,000 dollars from the General Assembly Discretionary Fund as a one-time allocation to the Career Services Center for the express purpose of securing an <u>Iris Photo Booth</u>, along with a Constitutional Amendment directing 3,000 dollars to be annually allocated to the Career Services Center for continuous maintenance costs associated with the booth. These costs represent half the total cost of the booth, to be split equally with the <u>Undergraduate Assembly</u>.

**WHEREAS**, professional headshots and photos are becoming an increasingly-common requirement in order to successfully secure employment or further academic studies.

**WHEREAS**, professional headshots and photographs are frequently inaccessible to students who do not have the funding or resources to secure such photos.

**WHEREAS,** GAPSA and its G12+ constituent organizations have in past years frequently funded professional headshot programming that requires additional funding, time, and scheduling logistics that do not meet the needs of all students on campus;

**WHEREAS**, the Iris Photo Booth system located in the Career Services Center would provide a permanent and accessible space for students to secure professional headshots on campus, therefore, let it be...

**RESOLVED,** That the General Assembly authorizes and orders the expenditure of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) from President Special Projects to contribute to the one time purchase cost of the Iris Photo Booth...;

**RESOLVED,** GAPSA hereby makes a one time allocation of 10,000 dollars from the General Assembly Discretionary Fund to fund a portion of the total cost (37,000 dollars) of securing an Iris Photo Booth.

**RESOLVED,** GAPSA hereby creates GAPSA Standing Rule 11 reading "GAPSA shall allocate 3,000 dollars annually to the Career Services Center in order fund 50% of the maintenance costs of the photo booth until the Career Services Center secures funding through alternative mechanisms." Such professions will require GAPSA to continuously allocate 3,000 dollars on an annual basis to fund fifty percent of annual maintenance costs associated with the photo booth.

**FINALLY, LET IT BE RESOLVED,** that this funding initiative represents GAPSA's continuous commitment to ensuring that all graduate students on campus are provided the resources necessary to pursue their future academic and career prospects while attending the University of Pennsylvania.