We hope you enjoyed your day off and took a little time to relax 😊

**September Meeting**

Have you ever wondered how to get the *inside scoop* on grad school? What it’s like in the *real world*? Or tips and tricks for being successful and making the most of your graduate career? If so, join us for the GMP September Monthly Meeting: "What I wish I knew in Grad School: Reflections From Recent Graduates". This meeting will include a panel of recent Purdue Alumni who will share words of wisdom for current GMP members. This will be an active meeting so please feel free to bring questions for our Alums about what you want to know about grad school, work, or life in general! We can’t wait to see you there!

What: September Monthly Meeting
When: September 17th, 5:30-7:00PM
Where: Amelia’s Cafe in ARMS
RSVP by: September 15th at 5PM
RSVP link: [https://engineering.purdue.edu/WIEP/Surveys/GMPRSVP](https://engineering.purdue.edu/WIEP/Surveys/GMPRSVP)

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**August Meeting Highlights**

Meaningful Mentoring with Dr. Christine Jackson

Thank you to all who participated in our August meeting last Wednesday! If you missed the meeting, Dr. Jackson agreed to share her slides! 😊 Be on the look out for them on the website. Meeting highlights include:

- Networked with women from different engineering disciplines
- Learned how to serve as a peer-mentor
- Identified our needs in mentor-mentee relationships

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**GMP in the News**

Don’t forget to [nominate](#) your friends or yourself so we can feature GMP members who are making a splash here at Purdue!
Feature of the Week

WIEP Travel Grant
Two awards up to $800 will be given. Priority is given to active GMP Members, GWG Ambassadors, and Small Group Leaders who are presenting their research at a professional conference. Priority is also given to students who have not won this award before.

See the WIEP Website for more information about applying.

- Application Deadline: September 14th, 2013
- Winners Announced: End of September
- Eligible Travel Dates: Nov. 1, 2013 – Apr. 30, 2014

Small Groups

Don't forget that the following interest-driven social small groups are forming for the year! These interdepartmental groups are led by fellow GMP members and provide a great opportunity for social interaction outside of monthly meetings. We will be setting up a separate listserv for small group events, so if you did not indicate that you were interested in small groups when you signed up for GMP, please let us know you’d like to be on the list by emailing wiepmm@purdue.edu. And if you would like us to help you start a group based on an interest of yours that you don’t see listed here, we’d be happy to help!

For more information about these groups, including group lead contacts, please refer to the GMP website.

**GMP Outdoor Club:** If you love hiking, camping, canoeing, or otherwise spending time in the great outdoors, this is the group for you! We are still looking for two co-leads to plan events for the outdoor club, so please let us know if you are interested!

**GMP Foodies:** The Foodie Group is for women who love to cook and eat! We will have fun themed potlucks ("Make Your Own Pizza," "Dessert Cook-off," "Breakfast for Dinner," and more!), exciting foodie excursions to local restaurants, as well as cooking-related activities (such as making your own recipe cards, cooking tutorials). Make friends, gather recipes, learn new things, and eat- we're too delicious to resist!

**GMP Knitting (and other crafts!):** We meet once a week to knit, crochet, craft, and spend time together in a relaxed setting. You don’t have to craft to join us for some friendly conversation, but we’re always willing to teach!
**GMP Social Hours:** The Social Hour group will be focused on meeting up for various events over town, giving you a chance to unwind with a few like-minded ladies! We will plan events from bar nights, to tailgating, to bar nights. We are also open to any suggestions! We will email the group soon with the first event!

**GMP Movie Nights:** Do you enjoy spending a night in watching films with your friends? Join the GMP Movie Nights group! We are still looking for two co-leads to plan events for this group, so please let us know if you are interested!

**GMP Book Club:** This semester the reading group is going to read and discuss "Lean In" by Sheryl Sandberg. This best-selling book focuses on women's progress in careers as well as the lack of equality for women in the workplace.

**GMP Exercise Group:** Come work out with fellow female graduate students! This group will have weekly workouts including running, yoga, and weight lifting. We also plan on having monthly get togethers with guided exercise classes!

**GMP Volleyball and Co-Ed Sports:** GMP will have an intramural indoor volleyball team for the 2013 season starting the week of 10/14. Team registration is October 1st, so look for more information about signing up near the end of September.

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