Suggested text for GSG Fee Constitutional Amendments December 14, 2005

Amendment 1:

Explanatory Statement: This amendment would increase the annual fee from \$5 to \$10.

Text of the Amendment: Modify Article X, clause 1 of the Constitution as follows: Change "five-dollar" to "ten-dollar".

Amendment 2:

Explanatory Statement: This amendment would set the fee as a fraction of the average graduate student stipend, causing the fee to increase annually at the same rate as stipends. The fraction depends on whether the initial fee should be approximately \$5 or \$10 as determined by the first proposed amendment. (In 2006-2007, the fee would be \$5.13 and \$10.25 respectively – a 2.5% increase.)

Text of the Amendment:

Modify Article X, clause 1 of the Constitution as follows:

Add new clause:

- "1(a). The fee for each academic year shall be set at _____ of the average of the following:
 - i. the average of the monthly full-time pre-generals AI & AR stipends, during the academic year.
 - ii. the monthly University fellowship stipend, during the academic year.

The stipend amounts shall be obtained from the Graduate School from the previous academic year. If these amounts are not available, the last available data shall be used instead."

If clause 1 reads "five-dollar", 1(a) shall read "...set at **1/350** of the average..." If clause 1 reads "ten-dollar", 1(a) shall read "...set at **1/175** of the average..."

Modify clause 1: Replace "A _____-dollar annual fee" with "An annual fee".