**GGB-GSA activities and accomplishments during the year 2009:**

- Organized recruitment weekend.
- Nominated, invited and hosted outside speakers for GGB Seminar.
- Organized GGB Symposium.
- Student mentors were assigned for each of the new students.
- Arranged a Fall Social at the family housing community center - 22 people attended.
- Organized Game Nights – which were a moderate success.
- Badminton is ongoing almost every week; contact Sourav/Samer/Charles to join.
- The GGB Handbook students’ section was revised extensively.
- A list of alumni from UCR GGB and contact info has been added to the website – this info may be useful to those looking for positions in industry, who may find a GGB graduate on the inside to share info on the work environment etc.
- A mock orals committee was formed to aid second years in practicing for the qualifying exam, couple of students already availed the opportunity and thought that it was great help.
- GGB GSA acquired an employee ID from IRS.
- We got a bank account at Altura Credit Union.
- We figured out how to get $300/year from the campus-wide GSA for events and meetings, fall social was the first event organized with a portion of this year’s money.
- GGB now has a mailbox at the HUB.
- We have already nominated and invited the external speakers for this year’s GGB seminar series in spring, they are: Dr Jennifer Manilay, UC Merced and Dr. Scott Kelly of SDSU.
- Nominated fifteen internal speakers for 6 seminars in “Spring Seminar Series”.
- Had a couple of meetings with Jennifer Wright, the GSA academic affairs officer (she was present at our most recent meeting) to aid students in resolving issues that need to go above the department level.

**Upcoming events in 2010:**

**GGB Students Picnic (Winter Social)**

- Scheduled for Sat Jan 30th at the Hunter Hobby Park.
- GGB GSA will provide lunch.
- Students are welcome to bring a side/appetizer/drink, so that there will be more variety.
- If anyone needs a ride please contact a GGB GSA officer and one will be arranged.
- Families are invited!

**Recruitment Weekend**

**Spring Social**

**Spring Seminar Series**

**GGB symposium**