

Yale Graduate School Alumni Association



General information for alumni interested in Alumni Board service

GSAA Board Overview

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Deepening opportunities for interaction and networking among alumni

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Engaging with current students, especially around issues of professional development and career exploration

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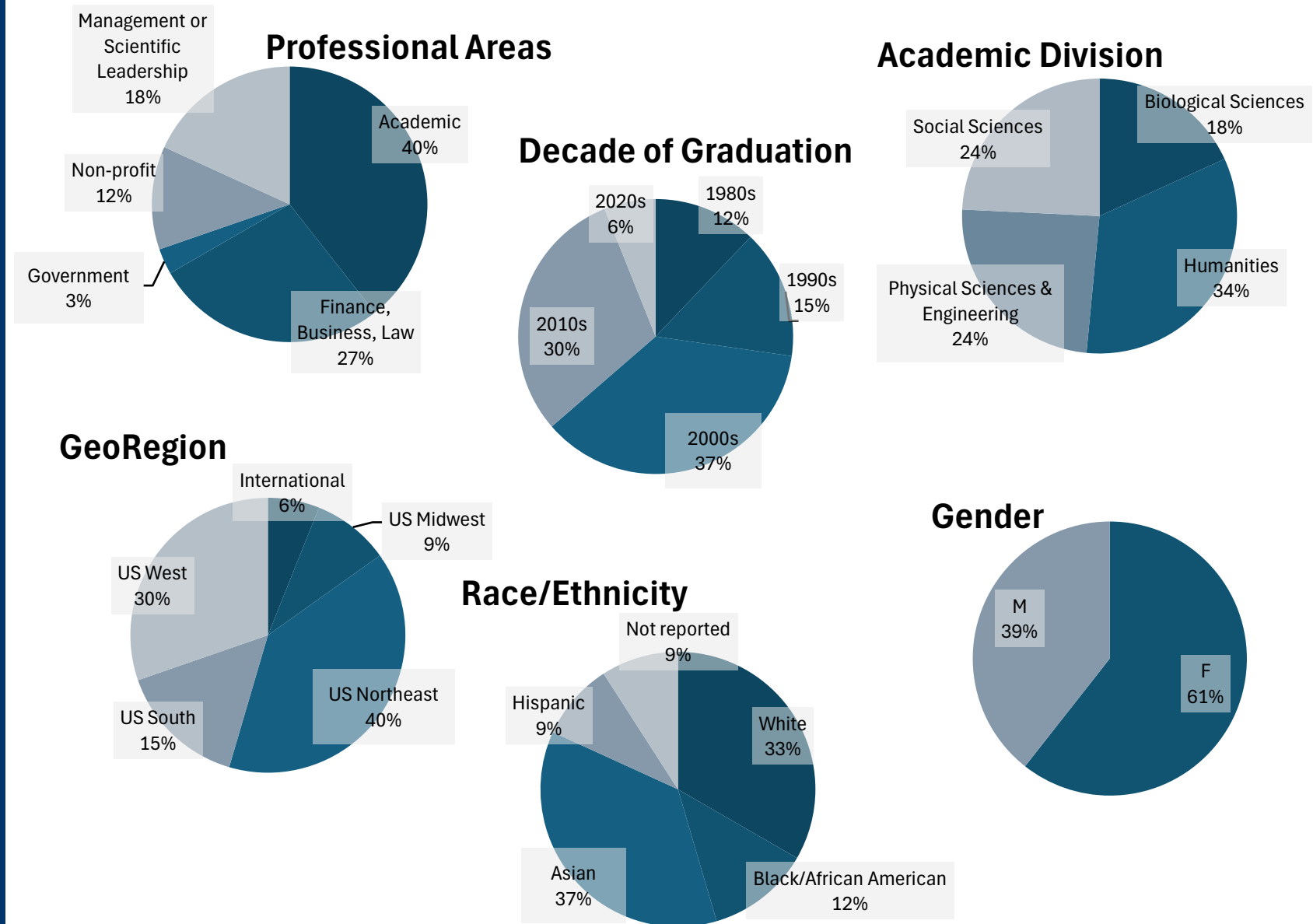
Advisory, not fiduciary or focused on fundraising

Board Membership

- 26 Voting members
 - 3-year terms, non-renewable
 - 8-9 openings each year
- 4-5 Officers
 - Chair, Vice Chair, 2-3 Executive Officers
- 4 Advisory Trustees (non-voting)
 - 1-year term, appointed by chair, can be re-appointed
- 3 ex-officio members
 - GSAS Dean, Chair of the Graduate Student Assembly, Immediate Past Chair of GSAAB

Who is the Alumni Board?

33 leaders in AY26



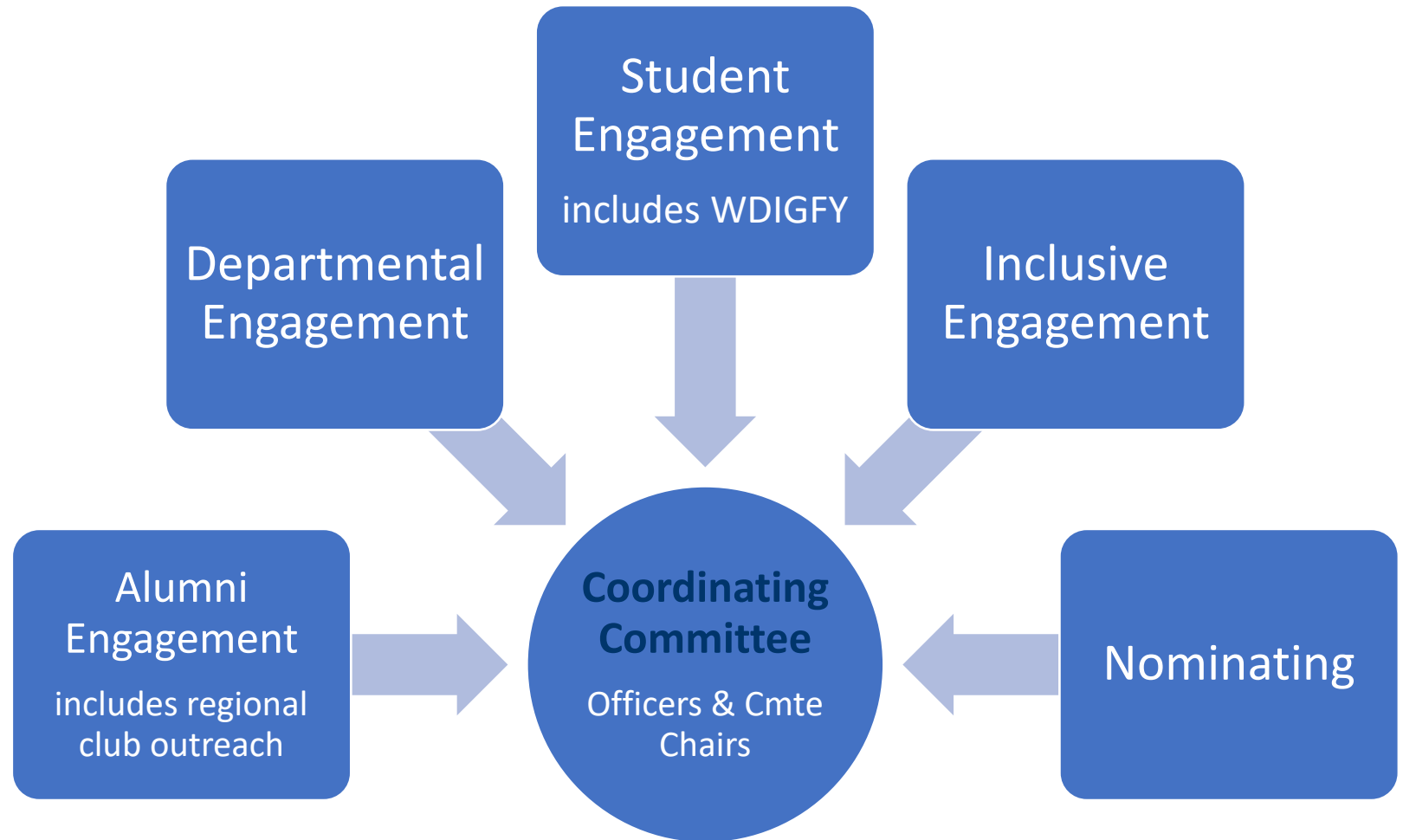
GSAAB Governance and Practices

- Constitution and By-Laws
 - updated in 2025
- GSAA Commitment to DEIB
 - Prepared in 2024
- GSAAB Member Roles and Responsibilities
 - Drafted in 2023, updated in 2025
- Community Agreements for Board Activities
 - Drafted in 2024, updated in 2025

GSAA Full Board Meetings

- **Two meetings in New Haven**
 - Late November, in conjunction with University Alumni Assembly and Convocation
 - March or April, in conjunction with in-person “Where Do I Go From Yale” conference
- **Four meetings on Zoom**
 - Alternating around in-person meetings
 - One-hour in length
- Meeting agendas and pre-read materials shared one week in advance of meetings
- Board members may request up to \$300 reimbursement for travel and hotel expenses per meeting, or receive tax credit for incurred expenses

GSAAB Committees



Committee Participation

Committee Assignments

- Board members share their committee interests in May; assignments are made in June.
- 1st year members serve on one committee, 2nd and 3rd year members are encouraged to serve on two.
- Committees have co-chairs (2nd and 3rd year members) to foster continuity.

Time Commitment and Projects

- Generally, monthly meetings via Zoom, including some during the summer; varies by committee.
- Up to 4-5 hours/week, depending on time of year and projects.
- Most committees are project-based, with each member expected to organize an event or oversee a project annually.

Nominations Timeline

- Applications due February 1 for the following academic year
- Members of the Nominating Committee will interview a subset of applicants in February & March
- The Board votes on the slate at spring meeting
- Successful applicants will be notified in April
- New member orientation in May/June, via zoom
- Applications are kept current for two years and may be updated for the 2nd year

For more
information:

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