

Department of English Undergraduate Student Association (DESA) Departmental Report  
AUS Council - January 13<sup>th</sup> 2016

This past semester, we:

- Gathered for our annual department-wide retreat (Oct. 2-4).
- Hosted a Wine & Cheese event (Nov. 17).
- Held book and pastry sales (Nov 26. & 27).
- Screened Alfred Hitchcock's *The Birds*, featuring a talk by Professor Schantz (Dec. 1).

This coming semester, we look forward to:

- Updating our constitution to better reflect the needs of the department.
- Launching *The Channel*. There will be a party and you are invited.
- Planning a social event with EGSA (English Graduate Student Association).
- Hosting Poetry in Performance (late Feb., call for participants begins soon).
- Developing a platform for students to easily access academic and social information (a primary DESA resource).
- Collaborating with fellow departmental associations to plan the Languages, Literatures and Cultures Apartment Crawl.

We held our first meeting of the semester on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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