

## **DeGroot Doctoral Students Association - DDSA**

Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 2009 3:00pm

Room DSB 227

**Present:** Akanksha Bedi, Chirsta Austin, Hesam Shahriari , Rahman Khokhar and many more...

1. Committee Updates:
  - a. Selection Committee – Chair Finance & Business Economics
    - First meeting held on April 7<sup>th</sup> and second meeting is expected during May 2009.
2. ASAC Conference Registration:
  - a. Akanksha confirmed that PhD Program has agreed to sponsor the ASAC registration fee. Participants can submit their claim along with a proof of payment.
3. Specialized Software:
  - a. Akanksha updated that PhD Program did not agree to provide specialized-software, such as SPSS, STATA, and SAS to each PhD students. However, program accepted to install these softwares' on common computers.
4. DDSA E-Mail:
  - a. Steve Bendo (IT Department) has offered to arrange a dedicated DDSA e-mail and Akanksha will follow-up on this.
5. New PhD Students:
  - a. Akanksha informed that so far 6 new PhD students (4 Finance, 1 IS, and I HR) have accepted the offers. Overall, applicant turnover remained very low during current year.