

**John Sun**  
**Personal Statement**

Hi! My name is John Sun and I am running for the position of Co-President of the GSA for 2009. I am a second year grad student in Area I and currently serve as the VP of Orientation and Student Life in the GSA. I am running for Co-President so that I can continue to take an active role in the GSA and help manage all facets of the organization. My goals for the upcoming year are to increase interaction between students in the department through social and athletic events, create more networking opportunities with industry and other departments, and seek new sources of funding for our events. I also want to make it easier for students not in the executive council to suggest and organize events, and to improve the way GSA publicizes our events. As the VP of Orientation and Student Life, I oversee the Social, Orientation and Athletics committee and manage a large part of the GSA's budget. Moreover, I have helped organize a variety of events including Visit Weekend, the Martha's Vineyard and EECS Orientation. These events have taught me a lot about the GSA and provide the experience I need to become a successful Co-President. I appreciate your consideration.