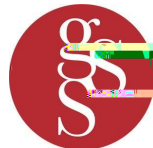


The Graduate Student Society

General Introduction

Fall 2024 Orientation



About the GSS

The Society is:

Independent

Student-led

Advocacy

Advocate

Provides confidential advice and assistance for graduate students

Provides collective advocacy for groups of students

Available to attend Caucus meetings

Runs supervisor workshops and other info sessions

Campaigns

Assists on campaigns on grad student issues

E.g., campaigning the BC government for creation of a provincial graduate scholarship

Benefit Plan

GSS provides Extended Health & Dental Plan (through ihaveaplan.ca/Studentcare)

Plan also includes vision coverage and travel insurance

All grad students automatically enrolled

Questions about coverage and claims?

Visit the [Studentcare website for the GSS at SFU](#) or their on-campus office in the Student Union Building

Questions about coordinating MSP, GSS plan, guard.me, TSSU plan, etc.?

Email our Director of Graduate Services at **grad-services@sfugradsociety.ca**

Want to get involved?

Caucuses

Every department has an active Caucus.

Each group gets funding from GSS each year.

You can run for an election to join your Caucus's leadership team.

Council

Each Caucus sends an elected representative to the GSS Council.

GSS Executive Committee - made up of seven elected student leaders - you could be next!

Stipended positions (with terms of 1 year) with elections occurring in November and March.

Directors of Internal Relations, External Relations, Finance, Graduate Services, Student Life, Access and Equity, and Academic Relations.

Want to get involved?- Cont'd

Join Committees

GSS Committees make important decisions that affect grad students.

Almost all are looking for additional members (stipended position). Sign up by filling out a form on our website:

Advocacy committee

Benefit Plan committee

Electoral committee

Engagement committee

Finance committee

Grant Allocation committee

Governing committee

Human Resource committee

Volunteer for Socials

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