Ohio University Graduate Student Senate (GSS)

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President, GSS

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What is GSS?

• OHIO shared governance body
  • Governmental body: graduate students
• Representative of graduate student population
• Advocate for graduate students
• Liaison between graduate students and administration
• Share information with the graduate students
Why Join GSS?

• Make an impact in the life of current and future graduate students
• Learn the administrative workings of Ohio University and in US higher education
• Network- Professional Development- Community Engagement
• Learn skills to advocate at the local, state, and national level
GSS in the News!

04.14.18 / 4:54 pm
Increased health subsidies and minimum stipend announced for graduate students

02.05.18 / 7:02 pm
Graduate Student Senate: Body to discuss recognizing 'Graduate Professional Student Appreciation Week'

01.24.18 / 1:40 pm
New paid parental leave policy announced for graduate students

11.12.17 / 10:08 pm
What the GOP’s tax reform bill means for graduate student education

11.28.17 / 11:13 pm
Graduate Student Senate: Resolution asks OU to offer meal plans for graduate students

03.06.18 / 11:24 pm
Graduate Student Senate: Members discussed OU’s future health insurance policy

04.03.18 / 11:16 pm
Graduate Student Senate: Members created an advisory committee for Graduate Student Orientation
GSS Initiatives
Fund your research!
Apply for research grants with Graduate College

What is Title IX?
What and when am I required to report?

How can I support my students and friends when reporting misconduct?

MARCH 30, 12:00 - 1:30 PM
PIZZA & REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING & INTRO TO TITLE IX

WALTER HALL 235
GRADUATE STUDENTS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

Sponsored by Graduate Student Senate

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
GRADUATE-PROFESSIONAL STUDENT APPRECIATION WEEK
2ND WEEK OF APRIL
GSS structure

- Executives
- Senators
- Department Representatives
- Commissioners
- Appointed (non-voting) positions
GSS Executive Team

- Maria Modayil, President
- Christopher Meyer, VP for Legislative Affairs
- OPEN, VP for Communications
- Kevin Pomorski, VP for Finance
Non-Voting Members

• Appointed positions:
  • Undergraduate or Graduate students
  • Help with the execution of projects, operations of GSS and provide logistical support
  • Appointed by the President
  • Great opportunities to pursue skills, interests, and mentored programs

• Committee members
JOIN GSS

Interested in joining GSS??

*For details on these positions, visit, [www.ohio.edu/gss](http://www.ohio.edu/gss)*

**Link to apply to GSS positions-**
GSS Involvement

• City Council:
  • Joint Police Advisory Council
  • SustainOHIO essay contest

• University Committees:
  • Standing Committees
    • University International Council
    • Graduate Council
  • President’s Cabinet
  • Budget Planning Council
  • Facilities Planning Advisory Council
  • Search Committees
Involvement with Local, State, and Federal Legislators
GSS Communications

• Recruitment
• Email Listserv
• Social Media
• Public Meetings
• Newsletters
• Annual Report
• Surveys

2018-2019 General Body Meeting Schedule
Fall 2018

Tuesday, September 4 - Porter 105
Tuesday, September 18 - Walter 235
Tuesday, October 2 - Walter 235
Tuesday, October 16 - Walter 235
Tuesday, October 30 - Walter 235
Tuesday, November 13 - Walter 235
Tuesday, November 27 - Walter 235
Tuesday, December 4 - Walter 235

**Meetings begin with Presentations at 7PM**
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