



Graduate Student Council Meeting
October 11, 2017 7:00-8:00 p.m.
HUB 355 UC Riverside

AGENDA

01. Roll Call

02. Announcements

**Upcoming conferences or events that Reps would like to share with the General Council. Items requiring discussion should be submitted to the President at least one week in advance of the meeting to be included as an agenda item.*

- a. Facebook Housing Group
 - i. <http://housing.ucr.edu/help-desk/offcampus-housing.html>
- b. UCSA and the new UCGPC brief update (Maiko)
 - i. Attachment A
 - ii. This is something that GSC will address in detail and vote on in a subsequent meeting
- c. SRC Classes (Anu)
- d. R'Pantry Donation Driven (Stephanie)
- e. DIAL Announcements (Kayleigh)
- f. Rep announcements

03. Approve minutes from last meeting

Online: gsa.ucr.edu

Not Applicable, first meeting of the year

04. Approve General Council Agenda

Vote

05. Approve Bylaws

Available online for review before the meeting: gsa.ucr.edu

The bylaws were last updated and approved by GSC, June 2017

Vote

06. Approve 2017-2018 GSA Budget – TABLED until November 2017 Meeting

2017-2018 Budget approved by GSC, June 2017

Minor changes to be approved to clarify new copier lease

Vote

07. Confirm Appointed Officers

See Attachment B

Vote

08. Mini-GSA Reps Committee Assignments

09. Brief Lobby Update

10. GSA Social Events – F17

- a. Grad Bash at the HUB
- b. Pre-Thursday Night Live Appetizer Event
- c. GSA Brewery Tour Interest?

11. Projects/Point Person

See Attachment C

12. Project Ideas from GSC – Communicate needs you see

We need to hear from you about the graduate student/professional development needs that you see.

13. Officer reports are online

gsa.ucr.edu

14. Adjourn

2017-2018 Meeting Schedule: See Attachment D

Attachment A: Statement on UCSA

Over the last six months, the representatives from graduate and professional student governments across the University of California system have engaged a series of discussions about the goals of UC graduate and professional students in system-wide advocacy efforts and the potential organizational means to achieve them. One primary long-term goal was to develop the “voice” of the graduate and professional students as a distinct and recognizable identity and constituency in all conversations of University decision making, which is essential to advocate for the unique concerns and needs of our students. On September 28th, 2017, these representatives voted to establish the UC Graduate-Professional Coalition to advocate for graduate and professional students at the system-wide and state-wide level. It will have one voting member from each campus, and will elect leadership positions that will interface with administrators and other external parties to advocate for the shared graduate student voice.

Previously, these representatives were members of the UC Student Association, a similar organization that advocates for all UC students. Though we remain partners and will continue to work together, graduate and professional student representatives decided that we could best serve our constituents in a new, independent organization centered around graduate and professional student concerns. UCSA has done exemplary advocacy in the past for both undergraduate and graduate students, but these representatives came to the decision that we needed a separate organization. All too often, in meetings with lawmakers, regents, or campus decision-makers, graduate and professional students are forgotten in the narrative of higher education, with the word “student” bringing up only the prototypical image of the undergraduate college student, without consideration of how policies or proposals would impact graduate students in a different way. We serve at the intersection of education and employment, navigating our roles as students, colleagues, employees, funding sources, and researchers, all while trying to live our lives under a decent standard of living. This new organization will be entirely dedicated to advocating for these issues, and will help make sure that people understand the graduate student identity and the unique concerns we face. Though we share many issues and concerns with undergraduate students, we have different needs and priorities in many areas such as tuition, employment policies, child care resources, career development, title IX policies, and many more, that merit an additional voice at the table.

Over the next month, we will finalize our charter, submit it to the graduate student associations on the ten UC campuses for approval, hold elections for long-term leadership, and seek formalized recognition by UCOP and the Regents of the University of California and the legal status of a non-profit corporation. There will certainly be a transition process, but we will continue to advocate strongly for graduate student concerns throughout this time. Our advocacy agenda for the year can be found here [, and we will be look forward to hearing working](#) with students, administrators, and lawmakers to work for the needs and concerns of our graduate and professional students.

Respectfully,

Becky Hofstein Grady, Interim-President of UC Graduate-Professional Coalition

Attachment B: Officers

Elected Officers:

President: Shawn Ragan
Executive Vice President: Maïko le Lay
Vice President of Academic Affairs: Nichole Ginnan
Finance Officer: Michael Bentel
GSHIP Officer: Jasmine Jafari
Public Relations Officer: Malika Ahuja

Appointed Officers (to be confirmed by GSC at the October meeting):

Conference Travel Grant Coordinator: **Jose Medrano**
Secretary/Webmaster: **Amber Mc Dermott**
International Student Affairs Officer: **Tommaso Menara**
Legislative Liaison: **Holly Mayton**
Campus Organizing Director: **Stephanie King**
AGSM Academic Affairs Officer: **Emily Yang**
BCOE Academic Affairs Officer: **Siddharth Agarwal**
BMS/SOM Academic Affairs Officer: **Erin Walch**
CHASS Academic Affairs Officer: **Madeleine St. Marie**
CNAS Academic Affairs Officer: **Alex Rajewski**
GSOE Academic Affairs Officer: Vacant
SPP Academic Affairs Officer: **Edgar Castelan**

Liaisons:

Diversity & Inclusion Academic Liaison: Kayleigh Anderson-Natale
The WELL Liaison: Jesse Freedman

Office Manager:

Michele Herzog

Alumni Advisor to the President:

Lewis Luartz, GSA President (July 2015-January 2017)

Attachment C:

The following is a list of whom in the GGSA to contact in regards to GSA projects and matters:

UCOP: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)
Maïko le Lay, EVP (in relation to UCSA issues)

Chancellor: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

Provost: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

VCSA: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

VC/AVC: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

Grad Dean: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

Academic Senate: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

**all contact with upper administration on behalf of the Campus GSA must be vetted by the President.*

College Deans: Nichole Ginnan, VPAA (all matters)
GSA AAOs (their college only, in coordination with and approval from VPAA)

Departments: Department Mini-GSA Rep

Mini-GSA Renewal: Adam Daniels, Student Life

Mini-GSA Admin: Nichole Ginnan, VPAA (all matters)

Media: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

Malika Ahuja, PRO (press releases with approval from President)

**all media contact on behalf of the Campus GSA must be vetted by the President; the President is the only official spokesperson for the GSA on media matters. All requests for interviews must be approved by the President.*

Gov't & Comm Rel: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

Holly Mayton, LL (for information purposes only)

Lobbying: Shawn Ragan, President (all issues, UCR/GSA/UCRAA/UCOP lobbying)

Maïko le Lay, EVP (UCSA/Systemwide lobbying)

Holly Mayton, LL (all issues approved by President and EVP respectively)

Alumni Rel: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

Lewis Luartz (Advocacy Committee member, advocacy only)

GSHIP/Health: Jasmine Jafari, GSHIP Officer (all matters)

Conference Travel: Jose Medrano, Conference Travel Grant Coordinator

International Grads: Tommaso Menara, ISA (all matters)

GSA Bylaws: Maïko le Lay, EVP (bylaw change recommendations)

UCSA: Maïko le Lay, EVP (all matters)

GSA Social Events: Malika Ahuja, PRO (all matters)

Thu Night Live: Malika Ahuja, PRO (information)

Social Media: Malika Ahuja, PRO (all matters)

Website: Malika Ahuja, PRO (all matters)
Amber Mc Dermott, webmaster (content building)

Diversity/Inclusion: Kayleigh Anderson-Natale, DIAL (all matters)

CARE: Kayleigh Anderson-Natale, DIAL (all matters)

Title IX: Kayleigh Anderson-Natale, DIAL (all matters)

Bias/Harassment: Kayleigh Anderson-Natale, DIAL (all matters)
**contact Kayleigh in advance to vet the topic, especially sensitive issues requiring Title IX*

GSA Committees: Nichole Ginnan, VPAA (Mini-GSA Reps serving on committees)

UCSA Committees: Maïko le Lay, EVP (System-wide Reps serving on committees)

Co-Sponsorship
Conference Grants: Nichole Ginnan, VPAA

Outreach Grants: Nichole Ginnan, VPAA

HUB Concerns: Lewis Luartz, AA (HUB Board Chair, all matters)
Shawn Ragan, President (HUB Board Member, all matters)

HUB Scheduling: Shawn Ragan, President
Maïko le Lay, EVP

Grads of UCR: Stephanie King, COD

Grad Day of Action: Maïko le Lay, EVP
Stephanie King, COD

Program Assessment: Kayleigh Anderson-Natale, DIAL

Donations: Shawn Ragan, President
Michele Herzog, Office Manager

Alumni Relations: Shawn Ragan, President

Campus Art: Shawn Ragan, President

Food Insecurity: Jesse Freedman, WELL Liaison

R’Pantry: Jesse Freedman, WELL Liaison

Family Housing: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

Grad Housing: Shawn Ragan, President (new building, university housing)
Jesse Freedman, WELL Liaison (housing insecurity)

Grad/Advisor Relationships: Shawn Ragan, President
Nichole Ginnan, VPAA

Mental Health: Jasmine Jafari, GSHIP Officer
Jesse Freedman, WELL Liaison

Healthy Campus: Jesse Freedman, WELL Liaison

Parking: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters)

Rec Center: Shawn Ragan, President (all matters, including fees and programing)

Sustainability: Maïko le Lay, EVP (all matters)

Earth Week: Maïko le Lay, EVP
Stephanie King, COD

TA Issues: UAW (the Union handles TA-related issues)
Nichole Ginnan, VPAA (Nichole is the GSA liaison to the UAW)

AND...Making it so that we do not get all of these emails meant for undergrads: Shawn Ragan

Attachment D: 2017-2018 GSC Meeting Schedule

All meetings are at 7:00pm in HUB 355

<u>Mtg#</u>	<u>GSC</u>
1	October 11, 2017
2	November 1, 2017
3	December 6, 2017
4	January 10, 2018
5	February 7, 2018
6	March 7, 2018
7	April 4, 2018
8	May 2, 2018
9	June 6, 2018