The Council Of Graduate Students

Where You Fit In The Picture

A COUNCIL OF GRADUATE STUDENTS PRESENTATION
Overview | Student Governance

- Who we are
- What we have done recently
- What we can do for you
- How to get involved
Overview | The Council Of Graduate Students

- CGS is the official branch of student government that represents every graduate student at the main and branch campuses.

- It is our main purpose to work towards continual improvement of the graduate student experience at the Ohio State University.
Breakdown Of Student Government By Student

- Council of Graduate Students
- Undergraduate Student Government
- Interprofessional Council

Representing

- ~ 11,000 Graduate Students
- ~ 41,000 Undergraduate Students
- ~ 3,200 Professional Students
Who’s In The Council Of Graduate Students?

**Department Delegates**
- 100 plus Delegates elected by department members in Spring Quarter
- Have voting privileges at our monthly meetings
- ‘Required’ to serve on at least one committee and to attend our monthly meeting

**Senators**
- Elected by the CGS Delegates
- Represent 10 academic areas
- Required to attend Senate meetings and ‘encouraged’ to attend our monthly meeting

**Executive Committee**
- President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer
- Officers are elected by delegates in Spring Quarter
- Chairs are appointed by the President

**Members**
- Graduate students who want to be involved
- Can serve on committees (indeed, are encouraged to!)
- Invited to attend monthly meetings
The Council Committees

- Academic Relations
- Communications & Information Technology
- Diversity, Inclusion & International Student Concerns (DIISC)
- Government Relations
- Graduate Health & Wellness
- Outreach & Engagement
- Sustainability and Environmental Responsibility (SERC)
The University Senate Committees (Selected Examples)

- Council on Academic Affairs (CAA)
- Committee on Academic Misconduct (COAM)
- Athletic Council
- Diversity Committee
- Graduate Associate Compensation & Benefits Committee
- Council on Libraries and Information Technology (LIT)
- Council on Student Affairs (CSA)

Spots Still Available

(contact Stef Seger at seger.13@osu.edu for more information)
CGS Case Studies

- Increase minimum GA stipend
- Get student health insurance included in GA benefits
- Standardize GA leave policies, minimum compensation, and appointment documents
- Streamline dissertation guidelines from 14 to 4 pages
- Host lecture series
- “Get out the vote” campaign
- Grad/Prof Happy hours and fitness events
Student Activity Fee

Over $2 Million For You!!!

- Over 950 registered student organizations
- Student Governments:
  - Undergraduate Student Government (USG)
  - Council of Graduate Students (CGS)
  - Inter-Professional Council (IPC)
- Ohio Union Activities Board (OUAB)
- Local, National, and International Community Service Opportunities (Bucki-Serv)
The Council Budget

Over $177,000 For You!!!

- Hayes Forum ($30k)
- Ray Travel Award ($48k) - $750 each
- Grad Student Programming ($20k)
- Committee Projects (>30k)
- Career Development Grant ($15k) - $250
The Council Committees

- Attend a CGS Delegate Meeting
- Join a CGS or University-wide committee
- Communicate with your department delegate
- Join the Facebook Page!

("Council of Graduate Students")
Upcoming Events

Check Out Our Website For More Information

http://cgs.osu.edu/