



Graduate Representative Organization

GC Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: 18:00 PM ET September 9th, 2024

[Zoom](#)

Meeting Agenda:

- I. Call to Order and Agenda Review
 - Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm
- II. Approval of May 6th Meeting Minutes: [GC Minutes 08.26.24](#)
 - Motion to approve minutes (ID 124)
 - Minutes were approved at 6:14 pm
- III. Arman reported the passing of a 5th year Ph.D. Student - Akash Patil
 - Moment of silence observed
- IV. Reminder to GC to seek Student Health and Well being resources
 - [Ayo provide specifics and resource links here]
- V. Scheduling visitors for GC meetings
 - Megan and Jasmine from WSE and KSAS respectively are coming 9/23/24
 - In talks with Dean of library to schedule appropriate time
- VI. Open discussion between TRU and GRO
 - Facilitate a partner forum with TRU to align GRO effort to support PhD student in this transition period
- VII. GRO at the graduate student resource fair
 - Arman and Caroline to set up GRO table at the graduate resource fair by the graduate diversity ambassador between 2 - 5 pm at Levering hall on the 9/20
- VIII. Shared Governance council Advisory (SGA) Rep for KSAS request

- Chris: Graduate course Evaluation should be done for all courses just like the undergraduate
- Chris continued that it is related to efficient course content and overall school and department performance in KSAS.
- He continued with an exception for courses with less than 5 student for privacy issues
- Gabi: seconded that there should be graduate course evaluation for all courses
- Alessandra: Supports the motion but feels mandatory graduate course evaluation is might have some unforeseen implications on graduate students
- Caroline: There needs to be a clear distinction between WSE and KSAS in this.
- Gabi: Proposed for optional mandatory course evaluation to replace initial thoughts
- Motion: Would you like the GRO to actively support the effort to implement **optional** graduate course evaluation in KSAS (ID: 125)
- Motion passes

IX. Farewell email to vice dean of education

- Gabi: presented two emails to show appreciation for support to the student community.
- Motion to send email (ID: 126)
- Motion passes

X. Volunteer request

- Social: volunteers for coffee hours
- Advocacy and well-being: Health and wellbeing event on 09/11/2024

XI. Open discussion

- Motion to circulate a statement in mourning of Akash Patil
 1. Motion to open statement for 48 hours for GC to make edits and suggestions on statement, followed by Eboard vote to approve and circulate, passes
 2. Motion to revise BME student statement over 48 hours (end of day Wednesday) (ID:127)

- GRO (Co-chairs): Writing Center to be invited to talk about their service and resources available to student.

XII. Vote to adjourn

- Motion to adjourn, passes (Voting ID: 128)
- Meeting adjourned

I. Voting Results

Voting Motion ID	124	125	126	127	128
Motion	Vote to approve meeting minutes of 09/09/24	Optional Graduate Course Evaluation 09/09/24	Email to Deans Favret and Chen approval	Motion to revise BME student statement over 48hours (end of day Wednesday)	Motion to Adjourn 09/09/24
Anthropology					
Applied Mathematics & Statistics (AMS)	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
History of Art	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Biology	Yea	Yea	Abstain	Nay	Yea
Biomedical Engineering (BME)					
Biophysics	Yea	Yea	Abstain	Yea	Yea
Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Chemistry	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Civil Engineering	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Classics					
Cognitive Science					
Computer Science	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Economics					
Electrical & Computer Engineering (ECE)	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Engineering Management	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
English	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Environmental Health and Engineering (formerly DOGEE)	Yea	Abstain	Yea	Yea	Yea
EPS (Earth and Planetary Sciences)	Yea	Yea	Abstain	Nay	Yea
Modern Languages and Literatures (Formerly GRLL)					
History	Yea	Yea	Yea	Abstain	Yea
History of Science and Technology	Yea	Abstain	Abstain	Yea	Yea
Comp Thought and Literature					
Information Security Inst					
Materials Science & Engineering	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Mathematics					
Mechanical Engineering	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	
Near Eastern Studies (NES)					
Philosophy	Yea	Abstain	Yea	Yea	Yea
Physics and Astronomy	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Political Science	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Psychological and Brain Sciences	Abstain	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Sociology	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Writing Seminars					
Robotics					
Co-Chair 1	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Co-Chair 2	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Secretary	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea	Yea
Treasurer					
Admin & Funding					
Social 1					
Social 2				Yea	
Advocacy 1					
Advocacy 2					
Communications					
Diversity					
Graduate Involvement Chair	Yea				
Professional Development					
Intercampus Co-ordinator					
Intercampus Chair	Yea		Yea	Yea	Yea
Summer sports coordinator					
Health & Wellness	Yea	Yea	Yea		
Security Concerns Chair					
Yea	27	23	23	24	25
Nay	0	0	0	2	0
Abstain	1	3	4	1	0