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## News & Services

### **GSA Newsletters will now be sent twice a month!**

We are excited to announce that we will be sending out newsletters twice a month to the graduate student community! This means you'll receive the latest news, opportunities, and updates more frequently. Stay connected and never miss out on important information again!

### **The GSA Is Hiring!**

Join our team! Join us in making a positive impact on campus and shaping the graduate student experience at UW. We have multiple paid coordinator position openings. **Applications are due on April 10, 11:59 PM.** For more details about each position and application requirements, visit the [Get Involved page](#) on our website.

### **Rhodes Scholarship Information Webinar - April 4**

The [Rhodes Scholarship](#) is the oldest international scholarship programme in the world, and one of the most prestigious. Administered by the Rhodes Trust in Oxford, the program offers 100 fully-funded Scholarships each year for postgraduate study at the University of Oxford in the United Kingdom. [Register to attend the webinar and learn more.](#)

### **GRADventure Professional Skills Conference by GSPA - April 11-12.**

Join us for two days of workshops on practical professional skills sought after by employers and valuable in any career path. For the in-person day of the conference, lunch will be provided, along with an opportunity to network with other graduate students. For more information, please visit [this page](#).

### **2023 Annual General Meeting happening on April 11**

This year, we will be holding the 2023 AGM online once again. Graduate students will have the opportunity to elect new members of the Board of Directors, vote on important by-law and appointment items, receive informational reports or presentations and more! Check out more information about the 2023 AGM [here](#).

## **Surveys**

### **An immigration system for Canada's future**

The Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship (IRCC) has launched a [public survey](#) to gather opinions from anyone with an interest in immigration **from March 27 to April 27**. Fill out the survey to help shape the Canadian immigration system in the future.

### **2023 Waterloo Town & Gown Student Accommodations Survey**

This survey has the goal of measuring the scope of issues around housing in Waterloo, such as housing affordability, quality, types, and more. Upon completion of the survey, you can be entered into **a draw to win one of the following prizes:** a \$50 Conestoga Mall gift card, a \$50 Valu-mart gift card, a \$50 Walmart gift card, or a \$50 Uptown gift card. For more information and/or to participate, please visit [this page](#). The survey will **close on April 5, 2023**.

## **Events**

### **April 6: QT-Well Social @ Graduate House 2nd Floor @ 1:30 - 3:00 PM**

Join us at the Graduate House for the first-ever in-person QT-WELL social! QT-WELL is a bi-weekly meeting of Queer

and Trans Graduate Students to talk about life and connect. This upcoming social is a great way for students to learn more about QT-WELL and build community on campus. There will be food, games, and good conversation. Interested in attending? Just email the QT-WELL facilitators, Spencer Small, [ssmall@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:ssmall@uwaterloo.ca), and Tyler Riepert, [triepert@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:triepert@uwaterloo.ca).



**April 11: Easter Egg Hunt & Mixer @ Graduate House 2nd Floor @ 3:30 - 5:00 PM**

Join us at the Graduate House to celebrate Easter. Participate in the Easter Egg hunt and enjoy some free pizza.

No registration is required; just come and have fun! Meet new friends from around the world and enjoy free pizzas while supplies last. Remember to bring your WATcard and credit/debit card for discounted beverages or other food if you have paid GSA/GH fees.



Easter egg hunt rules:

- Arrive by 3:30 pm at the Graduate House 2nd Floor to check in and form a team of 3-4 people.
- Go find the easter eggs hidden around the Graduate House.
- Fill in the crossword puzzle and return it to the host.
- The quickest team that returns the correct answers will win a prize: Each team member will receive a \$20 e-gift card.

**More Events:**

- **April 12: BIPOC Student Collective @ Graduate House @ 4:00 - 6:00 PM**
- **April 13: Virtual Housing Legal Drop-In Clinic @ Zoom @ 3:00 - 5:00 PM**

Be sure to check out the [Events section on the GSA website](#) to read more details and find out about more events.

## Graduate House

**OPEN DAILY!**

**Monday to Tuesday @ 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM**  
**Wednesday to Friday @ 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM**



Come on in! We've got patio space upstairs and on the main floor, new menu items to try, and special weekly drinks and sides!

Don't forget! Graduate students who paid their fees can get discounts and free coffee!

### **The Grad House is Hiring Kitchen and Bar Staff!**

The Grad House is hiring kitchen and bar staff! Come drop off a resume at the Grad House and fill out an application at the bar. We're hiring for the Spring term, with training beginning mid-April. Grad students and kitchen/bar experience is preferred, but not required. Send us a DM or drop by if you have any questions.

### **Got Great Ideas for Grads? Apply to be our Events Coordinator!**

Dig our events? Got some great ideas for grad students on campus? The Graduate House is looking for an Events Coordinator to fill each term with more awesome events! Design graphics, collab with campus contacts, and throw some straight bangers at U Waterloo. Come apply at the bar with your resume to fill out an application. Training begins mid-April with the position taking full swing in May. Graduate students preferred.

### **COMING SOON! The Grad House's Very Own Beer Feat. Neustadt Springs Brewery**

Stay tuned this April to find out about our very own beer, coming to The Grad House for a limited time! Thanks to Neustadt Springs Brewery, the extended GH family was able to name and brew a personalized beer that will soon be revealed. Check our Instagram for updates as we unveil this delicious beverage.

## Graduate House Events

We're offering a variety of in-person events this month at the Graduate House! Check out our list of events:

- **April 5: Trivia Night @ 6:00 - 8:00 PM**
- **April 13: Open Mic Night @ 6:00 - 8:00 PM**

Check out [the Events section on our website](#) for more information.

## Organize UW

OrganizeUW is the campaign to [unionize](#) Graduate Student Workers at UWaterloo.  
OrganizeUW is supported by [CUPE](#).

Want to chat? Email the organizers at [organizeuw@joincupe.org](mailto:organizeuw@joincupe.org)  
Follow OUW on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#)! #WhyNotWaterloo

The committee to organize uWaterloo (aka OrganizeUW) is a grassroots campaign to unionize the academic workers at the University of Waterloo. You can get more information and sign your card [here](#).

### The OrganizeUW Coffee Truck Road Trip continues!

On Tuesday, April 4, from 2:30 - 3:30 PM, step outside the Cambridge campus and join us for a well-deserved break. The coffee and snacks are on us!

And our "Plus-1" campaign is wrapping up. If each supporter - that's you! - talks with a co-worker and gets one more card signed, we'll have the critical mass needed to get OrganizeUW over the finish line. Sessional Instructors did it and so can TAs and RAs!

Once you get a co-worker to sign their own union card, you can drop the card off to us at Stammtisch - our weekly drop-in at the Grad House on Mondays starting at 5 PM. Or you can email us at [organizeuw@joincupe.org](mailto:organizeuw@joincupe.org) and we'll figure out another way to connect.



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