



Graduate Student Association Monthly E-Newsletter July 2023

News & Services

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 **July 30, 11:59 PM**. For more details about each position and application requirements, visit the [Jobs & Opportunities page](#) on our website

GRT Fee Refund for Strike in May

Following a 10-day strike in May by GRT staff, students are set to **receive a refund of \$8.70 each**, as stipulated in the contract between GSA and GRT. Students who paid GRT fees as part of their fees will have the refund deposited directly into their bank accounts or credited to their Quest accounts. Those who paid in cash or by cheque through GSA can pick up their refund cheques from Turnkey Desk. Please ensure to have your Watcard with you when picking up the cheque.

Focus Group

Following the incident on June 28, the GSA is conducting focus groups to hear about the changes you would like to see happen. Together, we are committed to making UW a safe and inclusive environment for all. To register, please click on [this link](#). Participants will receive a \$10 gift card to the Grad House and light refreshments will be provided at the focus groups.

Special Meeting of the Members

The Board of Directors is notifying you as required that a Virtual Special Meeting of the Members will be held on Wednesday, July 19 at 4:30 PM EDT via Teams on [this link](#). UW graduate students are encouraged to participate and contribute to the official affairs of the organization. To cast your vote through a unique link, please refer to the email sent to your inbox on July 14.

The Student Success Office is hiring TAs

The Student Success Office is hiring teaching assistants for the course "UNIV 101: Strategies & Skill for Academic Success". If you're passionate about teaching, learning, and supporting a diverse student population, apply by July 31. Find out more information [here](#).

Share Your Feedback on the Centre for Career Action

We want to hear from graduate students! The Centre for Career Action is running an in-person consultation to discuss your feedback on our services and resources. Your responses are important to us as we move towards creating safer spaces for the UWaterloo graduate student community. Food and snacks will be provided. Please fill out [this Google form](#) - there are limited seats so register now!

Events

**July 20: Beading Workshop @
Graduate Lounge (SLC Room 3216)
@ 4:30 - 6:30 PM**

Join the Graduate Student Association and Emma Rain Smith from the Waterloo Indigenous Student Centre in our first collaborative beading workshop! Participants will learn about the significance of Indigenous beadwork and get to practice/learn basic beading skills. No prior experience necessary.

All students are welcomed to join this



free workshop, and supplies will be provided. Registration is required, so we welcome you to [register here](#).

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

Graduate House

Hiring Kitchen and Bar Staff for the Fall Term!

Come drop off a resume at the Grad House and fill out an application at the bar. We're hiring for the Fall term but on-the-job training may begin sooner. Grad students are preferred as well as experience in hospitality, cooking, and/or bartending.



Send us a DM or drop by if you have any questions. It's a great place to work!

We're looking for Event Hosts for the Fall Term!

We're also hiring event hosts for the fall term! Have you the spunky GH wit to entertain a crowd of grad students? Got cool ideas for Trivia, Karaoke, Music Bingo, or Open Mic nights? Grad students apply!



Send us a DM [@the_graduate_house](#) or email us at gh-event@uwaterloo.ca to find out more.

Cash stipend per event

Graduate House Events

- **July 20 @ 6:00 - 7:30 PM: Open Mic Night**
- **July 26 @ 6:00 - 8:00 PM: Trivia Night**
- **July 27 @ 6:00 - 8:00 PM: Music Bingo**

Organize UW

2022-2023 has been an extraordinary year! In support of our collective goal of forming a union among TAs and RAs, OrganizeUW has spoken with 1000s of TAs and RAs, hosted events and got word out through social and other media.

Unquestionably, the OrganizeUW highlight of this past year was the successful unionization of Sessional Instructors. Inspired by Sessionals' success, TAs and RAs signed the most union cards in a single term in Winter 2023, setting the stage for our own successful unionization.

Together we can do this! [Sign your union card today!](#)



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