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News & Services

Nominations are open for joining the GSA-UW Council!

The GSA-UW is looking for graduate students to represent their peers as a departmental councillor on the GSA-UW Council. Having one student from each department on Council ensures that all departments are fairly represented and heard by the GSA-UW. If you are a student in any of the departments listed [here](#), you can nominate yourself for the position of councillor by filling out the [GSA Council Representative Nomination Form](#). **The deadline for submitting nominations is Wednesday, May 31 at 5:00 PM.** For more information about the Council, please email gsa-elections@uwaterloo.ca.

Apply now! Graduate Award for Black & Indigenous Students

Are you planning to pursue a PhD at the University of Waterloo? Apply for the Graduate Award for Black & Indigenous Students! Each scholarship is valued at \$5,000 and will be awarded to eligible students who are registered full-time in their first year of a doctoral program. **The deadline is June 15, 2023.** Find out more information about this scholarship [here](#).

Savvy New Canadians Financial Literacy Scholarship 2023

Enoch Media Inc., through its SavvyNewCanadians.com platform, is launching the

second round of its bi-annual scholarship for the purpose of increasing and improving financial literacy and awareness among students in Canada. Two winners will receive a one-time scholarship award value of \$1,000 each for the Fall term in October 2023. This scholarship is open to all students at accredited Canadian universities or colleges, including citizens, permanent residents, and international students. Find out more details about it [here](#).

Build Your Own Air Purifier with Computer Fans!

The University of Waterloo [Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Student Chapter](#) is seeking interest from graduate students about an experiential learning activity to be held in Spring 2023. We plan to provide the materials and teach you how to build an air purifier for any indoor setting, capturing airborne particles including viruses, dust, pollen, and mould spores. Fill out [this form](#) to indicate your interest, or contact Ryan Tennant (ryan.tennant@uwaterloo.ca) if you have any questions.

Events

May 31: Garage Sale & Mixer @ 5:30 - 7:00 PM @ Graduate Lounge (SLC Room 3216)

Join us at the Graduate Lounge for an indoor garage sale and graduate student mixer! Enjoy free pizzas and beverages while shopping regardless of rain or shine. Remember to bring cash for the garage sale!

*CIBC ATM is located in the SLC basement and DC library if you need to withdraw cash on campus.



June 7: BIPOC Student Collective @ 4:00 - 6:00 PM @ Graduate House

While so many of us work tirelessly to better our campuses and communities, we would all do well to remember that we are not in this struggle alone. Join us at the Grad House for an in-person BIPOC collective to talk candidly about

race, culture, and identity. The event will take place at the Grad House Upstairs Lounge on Wednesday, June 7 starting at 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome (including allies). There will also be FREE FOOD!



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!

Graduate House Events

Faculty Orientations feat. **FREE Pizza and a Drink**

Head over to the Graduate House for your faculty's orientation! Hang with peers new and old and have one FREE hard or soft drink and PIZZA. Check the list for your orientation, each date at 5:00 PM!

- **May 23** - Health
- **May 24** - Arts



- **May 25** - Math

More Events

- **May 24: Trivia Night @ 6:00 - 8:00 PM**
- **May 25: Open Mic Night @ 6:00 - 7:30 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

Follow OUW on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#)! #WhyNotWaterloo

Winter 2023 started with the exciting news of UWaterloo Sessional Instructors' success in forming their union. The OrganizeUW Team has continued to grow with more activists and supporters.

It's a lot of work building our TA/RA union at UWaterloo – from card signing outreach, to new volunteer orientations, social media posts, and remote work through phone and email.

But building our union is also about building community. So we also have a lot of fun – from our weekly “Stammtisch” meetups at the Grad House, to our OUWintheWild contest, the coffee truck at satellite campuses, Union Bingo Night, Union Trivia Night, our Snow Much Fun event, and the Earth Day Campus Cleanup.

There's a role for everyone and together we CAN do this! As we're getting ready for Spring Term 2023, this is the perfect time for you to fill out [this quick and easy form](#) and see how you can be part of forming your TA/RA union at UW.

