



News & Services

Monthly GSA Key Performance Indicators Report: [June 2021 KPIs](#)

Check out our new report layout! For questions regarding the report, please email the [GSA Data Analysis & Report Design Coordinator](#).

International Graduate Students Blog

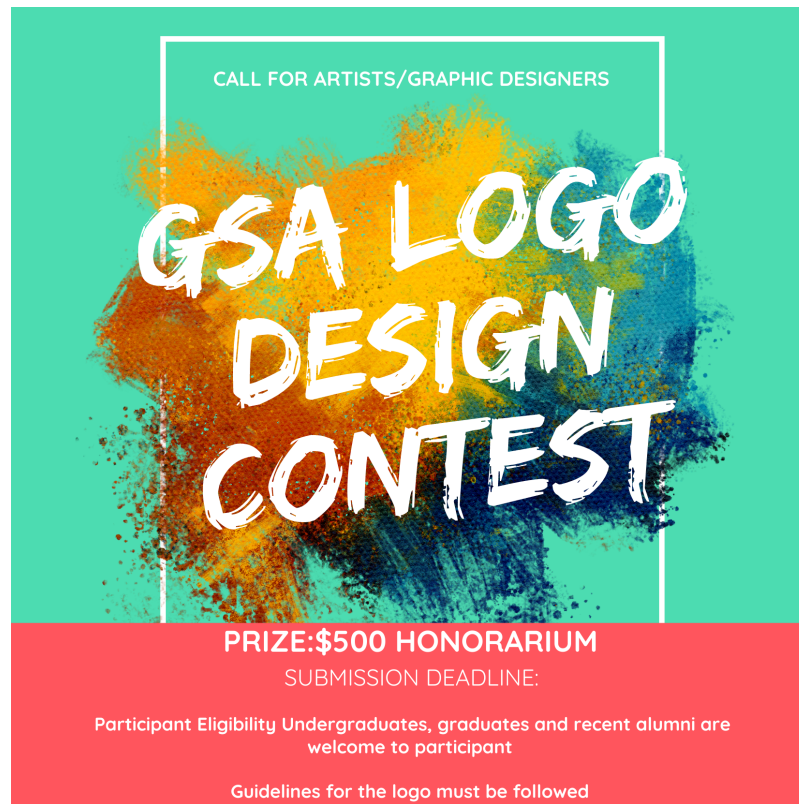
Our International “Grad Student Adventurer” is updated with a latest blog post by Chien-Chih (Joseph) Chen, is a PhD student in Electrical & Computer Engineering. He shares with us the experience of spending quarantine period that he faced while shifting from his home country Taiwan to Waterloo. Check out tips he exchanged for helping our future grad students in transitioning [here](#). Our blog is for and is written by grad students. Email [Navya](#) if you’d like to write a post!

GSA-UW Logo Design Contest Submission Deadline: July 30, 2021 @ 5PM

Call for artists and graphic designers! We are looking for an artist to design a creative, innovative, and professional logo for the GSA. This new logo will be used for all GSA communications including our website, social media, event promotion, etc. Read more about the submission requirements on [our website](#).

Prize: Selected logo designer will receive a \$1000 cash prize!

Eligibility: Graduate students, as well as Waterloo community members are welcome to participate in this contest.



Get Involved

We're Hiring! GSA VP Administration - Application Deadline: July 8, 2021

Take the lead and join the team! We're hiring. Seeking applications for GSA Vice-President Administration for August 2021-July 2022.

The primary purpose of this position is to—under the oversight of the President—lead the operation and strategic planning of the GSA-UW's administrative, corporate compliance, reporting, and student advising initiatives. The Vice-President of Administration will support the President in developing, executing, monitoring, and evaluating organizational strategies for student wellness (inclusive of supporting student tribunals and policy grievances), reporting and data visualization, policy development, and international student engagement. For application details, visit our [website](#).

Board of Directors:

The GSA-UW is currently accepting applications from graduate students to join the [GSA-UW Board of Directors](#)! The Board of Directors is responsible for overseeing significant decisions related to university life, including strategic planning, policy, research, and finances. Beyond the ability to advocate for your fellow graduate students, serving on the Board is also an incredible opportunity to gain both technical and interpersonal skills to bring forward into your future career ambitions.

Directors must dedicate **15-20 hours of volunteer time commitment per month**, and each seat on the Board of Directors will hold a term length of approximately one-year. Applications must consist of a resume and one-page cover letter, and can be sent to the [GSA-UW Office Coordinator](#). For more information on the Board of Directors, please contact the [GSA-UW Elections Coordinator](#).

Council Vacancies:

Get involved with the GSA-UW Council! As councillor, one student from each department sits on the GSA-UW Council and speaks on behalf of their constituents as the "voice" for various academic and political topics throughout the year. A GSA councillor brings opinions and issues of their department to the forefront, ensuring that decisions being made are in consideration of all students at UW! The departments with a vacant one-year councillor position are listed below:

- Public Issues Anthropology (ARTS)
- Catholic Thought (ARTS)
- Classical Studies (ARTS)
- French Studies (ARTS)
- Social Work (ARTS)
- Chemical Engineering (ENGR)
- Combinatorics & Optimization (MATH)
- Pure Mathematics (MATH)
- Statistics & Actuarial Science (MATH)
- Chemistry & Biochemistry (SCI)

If you'd like to represent your department on Council, please submit the [Councillor Nomination Form](#).

GSA Research Contract – A Review of Sexual Violence and Assault at UWaterloo (\$500)

The GSA-UW is interested in a review of sexual violence and assault statistics occurring on-campus and within the Region of Waterloo—as well as mitigation strategies and resources for victims. This information will help provide guidance for the GSA-UW's advocacy efforts directed towards improving municipal resources, as well as the University of Waterloo's resources and training programs. Apply for an opportunity to complete a short-term research contract on this topic by **July 16**. Click [here](#) for more details.

Call for Candid Talks with Grads Speakers (\$50)

The GSA-UW is currently looking to bring students together who want to be part of group discussions about issues faced by graduate students. These sessions will be facilitated through a collaboration with Counselling Services and will include a short presentation at the beginning of each session providing an overview of the topic discussed that month. We are currently seeking graduate students who might be interested in presenting on the issues below. You are also welcome to suggest a topic. Presentations will be 5-10 minutes and speakers will be paid \$50. We are specifically seeking students who have lived experience with the issues or are currently researching these issues in their respective fields. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact [GSA Student Wellness Coordinator](#).

Events

July 15: #PoliticsToday Episode 4 @ 3:00PM

Join us for an interesting chat with some of the organizers of the Social Development Centre, a local learning organization with the mission of creating fair and equitable access to social, economic, and

political life for everyone in Waterloo Region. Some of the work of the SDC has focused on issues such as affordable housing and the needs of groups such as youth, seniors, and persons with different abilities. Learn more about the work of the SDC and how you can get involved. [Registration Link](#)

July 22: Flower Kit Pick Up @ 1:00PM

The GSA and GSPA are excited to open up registration again for the Flower Kit Pick Up! Drop by Graduate House from 1:00 - 4:00 pm to pick up a flower kit. This kit will include a flower pot, paint, a brush, seeds, soil, and more! A maximum of one supply kit can be ordered through the following registration form, but you can request additional kit(s) for your family member(s) by contacting our Student Wellness Coordinator, [Ashley](#). Earlier in April we postponed this event due to the provincial lockdown – for those who registered at that time, please do so again. Deadline to register is **July 15**. Register [here](#).

July 29: Candid Talks with Grads – Imposter Syndrome Edition @ 1:00PM

Come join us at our third Candid Talks with Grads session, a new monthly open discussion and support event that focuses on a different topic each month that is important to graduate students at the University of Waterloo. This month's discussion will centre around facing imposter syndrome as a graduate student. Students will have the opportunity to hear about and share their experiences, stories, tips, and more. Please note that a councillor from Counselling Services will be sitting in on the discussion. All graduate students are welcome to attend. Register [here](#).



BIPOC Student Collective

Research Assistant – Indigenous Research Guide - Submission deadline: July 15 2021

The Library and the Graduate Student Association are creating a small team of librarians and graduate students who will collaboratively create an Indigenous research guide similar to the other [library](#)

[research guides](#). The work will involve researching and identifying sources both within Library resources and beyond on Indigenous research related topics for inclusion in the guide, participation in discussion and refinement of content, organization of content, content editing and user feedback analysis.

Duration: July 18 - September 30, 2021

Hours & Wages: up to 10 hours at \$50.00 per hour

Qualifications and Assets:

- Current university of Waterloo Master or PhD student
- Involved in Indigenous studies and Indigenous research on campus
- Experience with Indigenous research methodologies is an asset
- Experience with academic library resources and services is an assets If you are interested in

This position, please submit and CV and cover letter (no more than 300 words) to [Zabeen Khamisa](#)

Solidarity Chat July 6 @7:00pm

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 in solidarity from 7:00pm-8:30pm, for an informal community conversation. This event will take place in our Lounge space on our [Discord channel](#). Our Solidarity Chats are a casual informal social space that centres the experience of BIPOC graduate students at UWaterloo. All BIPOC faculty, students, and friends are invited to attend. This is chance to meet other BIPOC members of our community and also share ideas in an informal setting. Come as you are. Bring your chai!

Drop-in Hours July 9 & July 23

We're here with you. Join us during our drop-in hours if you're looking for some support, or just want to take a break and chat. [Discord channel](#).

Graduate Studies Endowment Fund

Call for Applications - Treasurer of GSEF

The [Graduate Studies Endowment Fund \(GSEF\)](#) supports initiatives that improve the academic and social wellbeing of graduate students at UW. We are hiring a new Treasurer for the 2021-2022 academic year to oversee the finances of GSEF and aid internal decision making. Please see the [job description](#) and the [GSEF website](#) for more details.

Application materials:

1-page cover letter highlighting qualifications.

2-page resume focusing on relevant experience. The applicant is expected to have a flexible schedule, be able to take initiative, and self-manage their workload

Application instructions:

Interested candidates have until **July 14, 2021** to email their cover letter and resume to the [GSEF Coordinator](#). **Apply today!**

Community Events

Outdoor Games!

By Ken Seiling Waterloo Region Museum - July 3 - 9:30-10:30AM [Event Details](#)

Movies In The Parking Lot

By Create Waterloo - Multiple dates [Event Details](#)

Ladies Volleyball

By Kiwanis Park & Pool, Kitchener - July 3 - 11AM-12:30PM [Event Details](#)

Kitchener Food Truck Days

By City of Kitchener - July 8 & 15 - 4-8PM [Event Details](#)

A Walk Through Doon Heritage Village

By Ken Seiling Waterloo Region Museum - July 8 - 1-2PM [Event Details](#)

Bitcoin and Beer Waterloo

By Innocente Brewing Company - July 9 - 5-9PM [Event Details](#)

Game On! Fun Pack Pickup

By Waterloo Public Library - Multiple dates [Event Details](#)

Yuk Yuk's Comedy Night

By Bingesman Camping Resort - July 8 - 9:30PM [Event Details](#)

National Indigenous Peoples Day Marketplace

By Kitchener Farmers Market Place - July 10 - 7AM - 4PM (Located at Kitchener Farmers Market)

Slowride River Paddle

By HiBnb - Multiple dates [Event Details](#)

Paddle Painting Workshop

By Crafty Crystal - July 14 - 6:30 - 8PM [Event Details](#)

Downtown Kitchener Ribfest And Craft Beer Show

By Victoria Park, Kitchener - July 16 - 18 [Event Details](#)

Artist Lead Walking Tour

By Post-Part Kitchener Exhibition by Ambrosia Corner Bakery - Multiple Dates [Event Details](#)

High Tea Box TO - GO St Jacobs

By Homewood Suites by Hilton Waterloo - Multiple dates [Event Details](#)

Rusty Nail Comedy

By The Crazy Canuck Kitchener - July 16 - 7-10PM [Event Details](#)

Music at Beechwood North

By ThunderStorm Productions - July 24 - 6-8PM [Event Details](#)



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