

The following GSO Committees still need to be filled and we would love for you to become involved. In most cases, you do not need to be a departmental Senator to serve!

We thank you for your time and service,

Harris, Stalin, Jen, Selin and Catherine  
The 2011-2012 GSO Executive Council

### **I. GSO Standing Committees**

1. **Committee on Academic Affairs**: This committee will meet at least two times a year to review applications for the Distinguished Travel Award. We will schedule additional meetings if circumstances arise that need to be addressed pertaining to administrative changes that either positively or adversely affect graduate students.

*Needs at least 4 more members (does not have to be a Senator). Please do not join this committee if you know or anticipate you will be applying for the Distinguished Travel Award.*

2. **Housing Committee**: Responsible for investigating problems with on- and off-campus graduate student housing and reporting back to the Senate.

*Needs 1 more member (does not have to be a Senator).*

3. **GSEU Liasion**: Shall serve as a communications bridge between the GSEU and GSO.

*Needs 1 more member (does not have to be a Senator).*

4. **RA Union Liasion**: Shall serve as a communications bridge between the RA Union and GSO.

*Needs 2 more members (does not have to be a Senator).*

5. **Graduate Student Emergency Loan Fund (GSELF)**: Oversees the use; distribution; collection; and appeal of short-term loans to graduate students.

*Needs at least 4 more members (3 members must be Senators). Please contact the Graduate Student Advocate, Kassie Hartford ([khartfor@notes.cc.sunysb.edu](mailto:khartfor@notes.cc.sunysb.edu)) if you are interested in serving.*

## **II. University Senate Standing Committees**

**1. Student Life:** Consults with and advises the Vice President for Student Affairs and shall monitor all co-curricular aspects of resident and commuter student life; both undergraduate and graduate; and shall work with Student Polity; Undergraduate Student Government; the Faculty/Student Association; the Residence Hall Association; the Commuter Student Association; and the Graduate Student Organization. Thursday 4pm 1x a month.

*Need at least 2 more members (must be a Senator).*

**2. Undergraduate Council:** In charge of addressing issues related to undergraduate students and academic staff. Reviews and recommends policy to the Provost and other administrators; as appropriate; concerning all aspects of the University's Undergraduate academic program including: (1) recommending the minimal instructional responsibilities of instructors; (2) monitoring the undergraduate programs through participation in University accreditation and periodic reviews of academic programs; (3) reviewing and coordinating all curricular and other academic matters that are not limited to a single major governance unit; and (4) monitoring policy concerning undergraduate admissions and scholarships.

*Need 1 member (must be a Senator).*

**3. Administrative Review:** The chief body of the University Senate which reviews and evaluates administrative performance and proposed reorganizations. It is consulted about and represented on all search committees at the level of Dean or above. In the past it has done surveys on library services; deans of different schools and is interested in providing feedback to every sector on campus.

*Need 1 member (must be a Senator- preferably on the Univ. Council).*

**4. Graduate Council Grievances and Appeals:** Addresses all grievances and appeals related to both academic and other aspects of graduate life.

*Need 2 members (must be a Senator)*

**5. Library Services:** Makes recommendations to the Vice President for Health Sciences for Health Science Library faculty and to the Provost for Main Campus Library faculty concerning all promotions and continuing appointment positions. Advises the Senate on all aspects of library resources and services; advises the appropriate administrators on the operation of the campus bookstores.

*Needs 1 member.*

**6. SPD Council:** Consults with and advises the Dean of the School of Professional Development on all aspects of the SPD program; deals with specific issues related to the school. (The GSO prefers to send to this committee a graduate student from the SPD.)

*Needs 2 students from School of Professional Development.*

### **III. College of Arts and Sciences Standing Committees**

**1. Academic Standing and Appeals:** Similar to graduate council grievances and appeals but for undergraduate students.

*Needs 1 student (CAS student).*

### **IV. Other University Wide Committees**

**1. FSA Dining/Retail Service:** Determines prices of food in different campus food establishments and other products in all retail establishments

*Needs 1 student (does not have to be a Senator).*

**2. Union/SAC Advisory Board:** Advises in decisions related to running the Union and SAC.

*Needs 1 student (does not have to be a Senator).*

**3. Teaching/Learning/Technology:** This advisory group incorporates the previous Instructional Computing group. Responsible for the SINC sites; planning of technology; and other technology/learning support services for students. Meets 2-3 times per semester.

*Needs 2 students (does not have to be a Senator).*