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Happy Spring Semester Graduate Students,

We hope you all have had a wonderful start to the spring semester and are looking forward to an upbeat year. Transitioning back onto campus has given us many opportunities to get together and interact with one another in refreshing ways. The past 18 months have been a moment of growth and reflection for GSG. With the support from student leaders we were able to mobilize funds to provide immediate relief for students, strengthen our online programming, and restructure systems within the organization. These opportunities allowed us to reflect and grow the organization in a few different ways.

As we head into the semester, we are excited to tell you about a number of changes we've made:

- GSG has added two new director positions: the Director of Virtual Programming and the Director of Virtual Accessibility. These positions will provide online graduate students continued access to programming representation.

- GSG has partnered with The Graduate School to reimagine our Travel Grants program as the new "GSG Professional Development Fund." The fund provides resources for enhancing students' development experience and is accessible to all graduate and professional students. The new application will be hosted on The Graduate School website.

- We've established the GSG Research Committee. This committee will serve as the hub for all research and information-gathering initiatives conducted through GSG and provide data-driven recommendations to the university for the enhancement of the graduate student experience in tandem with other GSG entities

- Our programming team was able to successfully hold programs virtually last year with completely sold out events. This will allow GSG to have the flexibility it needs to plan engaging programs and connect with the graduate student population whether in-person or online during these unprecedented times.

There are a number of additional projects we are also working on. If you would like to learn more about GSG or inquire about specific issues, you can find our contact information on our website, gsg.usc.edu, and there, you can also sign up to receive our weekly UPC and HSC Newsletters so you can stay up-to-date on everything GSG has to offer.

Below, you will find a **link to a survey** focusing on multiple facets of the graduate school experience at USC. We appreciate your willingness to participate in this survey and will use the information collected to

inform our advocacy efforts in the coming months. Students who complete the survey will automatically be entered to win one of ten, $25 Amazon gift cards.

Additionally, you will find information about our **upcoming Vice President and Director Elections**. All students are welcome to apply for these positions. Any questions about elections can be directed to our Director of Elections & Recruitment, Cassandra Flores-Montaño at gsger@usc.edu.
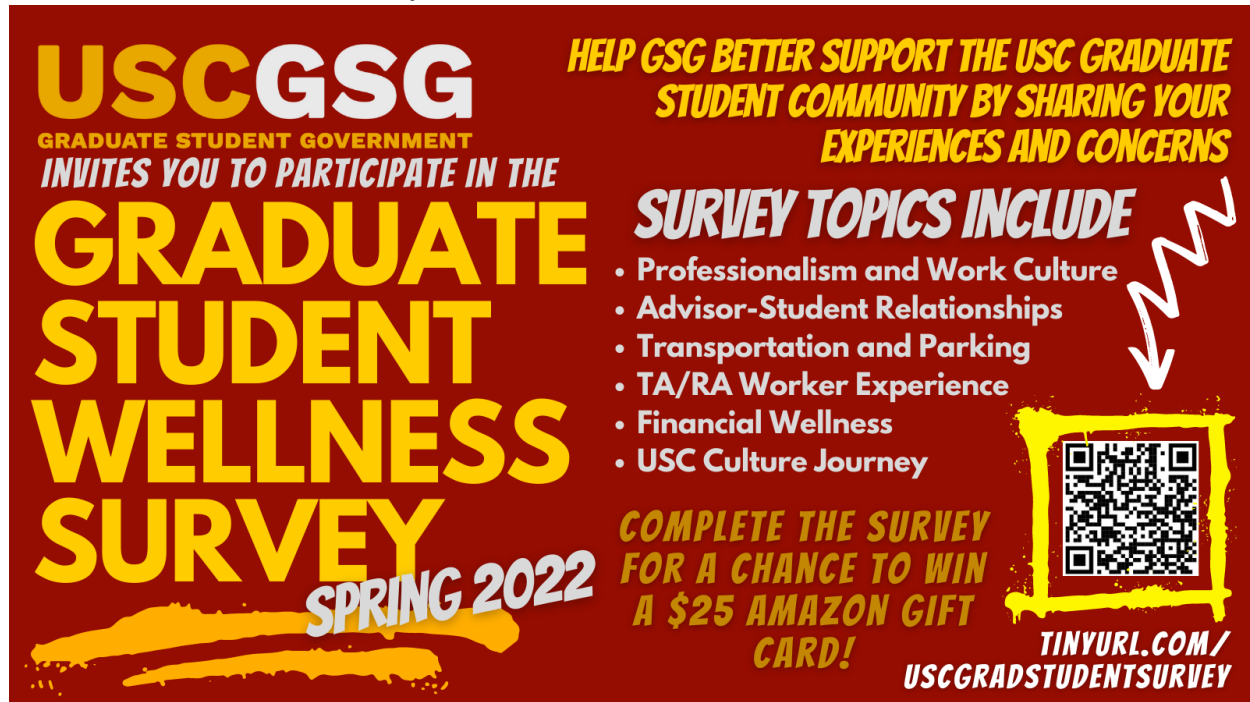
As always, Fight On,

KJ Queen | PhD Student, Keck School of Medicine
USC Graduate Student Government | President, 2021-2022
Samuel Garza | PhD Candidate, School of Pharmacy
USC Graduate Student Government | Senior Vice President, 2021-2022

USC Graduate Student Survey

Upcoming GSG Vice President and Director Elections

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GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT HIRING

VICE PRESIDENTS:

ADVOCACY

ADMINISTRATION

PROGRAMMING

Applications for 2022-2023 VP positions are due on Saturday, February 12th, 2022. Interested applicants, please apply at:

bit.ly/gsgelection

Questions can be directed to Dir. of Elections and Recruitment (gsger@usc.edu)

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DIRECTOR(S)

Administration Branch:
- Elections and Recruitment
- Finance – Approvals
- Finance – Education & Access
- Finance – Disbursement & Reconciling
- Finance (HSC)
- Grants
- Operations

Advocacy Branch:
- Accessibility Affairs
- Campus Affairs
- Diversity and Equity – Advocacy
- Diversity and Equity (HSC)
- External Affairs
- Globalization and Inclusion
- Sustainability
- Virtual Accessibility

Programming Branch:
- Academic Affairs
- Communications
- Communications (HSC)
- Community Service
- Community Service (HSC)
- Diversity and Equity – Programming
- Social Programming
- Social Programming (HSC)
- Virtual Programming

Applications for 2022-2023 Director positions are due on Sunday, March 13th, 2022. Interested applicants, please apply at:

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We highly encourage all interested graduate students to apply! As a USC graduate student, you are qualified to serve on the GSG executive board. Take advantage of this great opportunity to make a lasting impact on the USC graduate student community. We look forward to seeing your application!

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Q: Can I apply if I'm not currently serving as a GSG Senator?**
  - Yes! All USC graduate students are welcome to apply.
- **Q: What are the requirements to be able to apply?**
  - You must be a programming-fee-paying USC graduate student. For fall 2021 and spring 2022, this line item appears in your USC bill as "GRAD Programming Fee."
- **Q: Where can I find more information on these positions?**
  - tinyurl.com/GSG21-22Board and sign in with your USC email to view.
- **Q: Where can I apply?**
  - Applications for Director positions are due by 03/13/2022 at bit.ly/gsgelection.
- **Q: What does the application/submission process entail?**
  - All applicants must submit an application online. Select candidates will be interviewed by GSG Executive Board Members remotely via Zoom.
- **Q: What are the expectations of a GSG Board Member?**
  - 5 hours per week fulfilling the responsibilities of your position. You are expected to work starting May 13th, 2022 (Commencement).
- **Q: Is this a paid position?**
  - Yes! All positions are paid by a semesterly stipend equivalent to 2 units of tuition per semester. As of 2021, the tuition rate per unit is $2,035.
  - Please direct further inquiries about stipends to GSG President at gsgpres@usc.edu.

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