



Graduate Student Government

Resource Guide

3607 Trousdale Pkwy

Tutor Campus Center 224G



Mission Statement

The GSG mission is to enhance the University of Southern California graduate and professional student experience by serving as the face of the student body. To accomplish this, GSG is responsible for managing student resources efficiently, providing a voice for the student community, building a community that fosters interdisciplinary exchanges, and informing students about their rights, resources, and opportunities.

Elected officers, senators who represent all schools and departments, and special interest committees tackle issues specific to graduate and professional students and provide venues for interaction beyond the academic realm. An Executive Board of eleven officers is elected every spring by the GSG senators. The executive board oversees the daily operations of GSG and works closely with the Senate to promote graduate and professional student interests within the USC administration and academic departments.

Students participate in GSG and university committees, meet with administration and faculty to discuss issues of joint importance, and call upon the expertise of administration professionals who serve students. GSG continuously works closely with university officials in an effort to enhance graduate and professional student life.

Stay in the Loop!



- Opt into our bi-weekly newsletter at <http://gsg.usc.edu/newsletters>
- “Like” us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/uscgsg
- Follow us on Twitter for family news about LA, USC and USC GSG
 - @USCGSG
- Follow us on Instagram for event flyers and photos.
 - Tag your photos with #USCGSG
- Make sure to periodically check our website

Get Involved!

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee disburses GSG funds and provides funding for student-hosted events that benefit the greater student community in a timely, efficient and equitable manner.

Email: gsgfund@usc.edu

Academic Affairs Committee

This committee aims to improve the academic environment at USC by hosting workshops that address specific needs of graduate students. We strive to provide a forum for students to discuss issues and concerns with USC administration.

Email: gsgacad@usc.edu

Campus Affairs Committee

This committee works closely with university administration to address non-academic concerns within the graduate student community. This includes promoting green initiatives and addressing the need for more graduate student housing.

Email: gsgcamp@usc.edu

Community Service Committee

This committee aims to fight on and serve on by creating, discussing and carrying out community service projects such as Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Month that all can participate in.

Email: gsgcs@usc.edu

Email: gsgacad@usc.edu

Public Relations Committee

This committee aims to highlight and communicate GSG advocacy issues, events, and resources to graduate students, the administration and the greater public. It is made up of students with an interest in media relations, social media, events promotion and planning, and design.

Email: gsgcomm@usc.edu

Judiciary Committee

This committee interprets the GSG constitution and bylaws. It ensures that GSG-sponsored organizations follow the appropriate rules, and revises or updates rules as deemed necessary by the Senate. It ensures all GSG actions are consistent, fair and transparent.

Email: gsgvp@usc.edu

HSC Concerns Committee

The responsibilities of this committee include planning events to benefit HSC student body, advocating on behalf of Health Science Campus constituents, and keeping the HSC student body informed of GSG activities.

Email: gsghsc@usc.edu

Diversity and Equity Committee

This committee looks for members to represent diverse interests on campus and advocate for important issues such as gender neutral bathrooms, racial tensions on campus, diversity in academia, etc.

Email: gsgdiv@usc.edu

Special Events Committee

This committee aims to expose the Graduate Student Government to a wider audience by executing large scale events that focus on underrepresented students of a particular hobby or interests. They work with the Undergraduate Student Government to help host these events.

Email: gsgop@usc.edu



USC University Resources Cultural Centers

GSG Resources

- Conference Travel Fund: GSG gives \$500/year for travel within the US. \$1000/year for international travel to academic conferences. Apply via the website.
- Legal Counseling. Free legal aid to graduate students.
- Event Funding: We will pay for your student organized event! Apply for funding today on the GSG website!
- Info Sharing: Submit events and items for publications to the bi-weekly newsletter on the GSG Website.

Events

- Boat Cruise
- GSG Formal
- HSC Movie Nights
- GSG Research Symposium
- HSC Thanksgiving Dinner
- Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Month

Advocacy

If you have an issue or concern with campus life, policy or other matters affecting graduate students at USC, GSG would like to hear about it! Find your department senator or come to the GSG office and talk to an E-Board member today!

El Centro Chicano

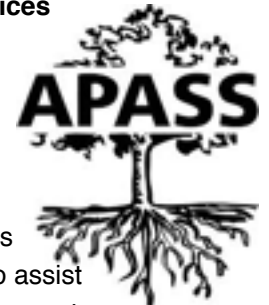
Student Union Suite 402
(213) 740-1480
<https://sait.usc.edu/elcentro/>
ecc@usc.edu



El Centro provides culturally sensitive programs that foster and promote the academic and personal success of Latino/a students. In addition, it strives to educate the campus about Latino/a issues and the ethnic diversity represented within the community (i.e. Central & South America, Caribbean, Mexico).

Asian Pacific American Student Services

Student Union Suite 410
(213) 740-4999
<http://sait.usc.edu/apass/>
apass@usc.edu



Asian Pacific American Student Services (APASS) is a resource unity designed to assist you in your cultural and personal development and to increase the overall awareness of the Asian Pacific American Community as USC and in society.

Center for Black Cultural Student Affairs

Student Union Suite 415

(213) 740-8257

[http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/](http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/black_cultural_center/)

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The Center for Black Cultural and Student Affairs (CBCSA) provides a wide range of support services, programs, and activities aimed at the development of undergraduate and graduate students.

Health, Wellness and Fitness

Disability Services and Programs

Student Union 301

(213) 740-0776

[https://dsp.usc.edu/](https://dsp.usc.edu/ability@usc.edu)

[ability@usc.edu](https://dsp.usc.edu/ability@usc.edu)



Disability Services and Programs (DSP) provides support services to enable students with disabilities to develop their academic potential, while having the dignity of working toward an independent lifestyle.

Eric Cohen Health Center

At HSC, "It is the goal of the Eric Cohen Health Center to provide complete medical care to its students. Included in this care are services for acute and chronic illnesses, psychological counseling and obstetric gynecological care."

(323) 442-5980 (clinic administration)

(323) 442-5882 (clinic appointment line)



Office for Wellness and Health Promotion (OWHP)

Engemann Student Health Center 2nd Floor

(213) 740-9355

<https://engemannshc.usc.edu/wellness/>

OWHP@usc.edu

Office for Wellness and Health Promotion provides education, support, and resources in order to advance the health of students of the University Park campus. In addition OWHP maintains a resource room where students can drop by to ask questions, look up health information, talk with a Peer Health Educator, and more.



Recreational Sports Department

Lyon Récréation Center 101

(213) 740-5127

<http://sait.usc.edu/recsports/>

recsports@usc.edu

Through club sports, intramural sports, martial arts, and fitness classes, Recreational Sports has various ways to maintain your health and fitness throughout the year.



Massage Therapy

<https://sait.usc.edu/recsports/fitness-and-recreation/fitness/#Massage%20Therapy>

(213) 740-5127

Available through USC Recreational Sports, manage therapy offers a new service that promotes mental and physical health. \$1/minute.



Lyon Center/HSC Fitness Center
<https://sait.usc.edu/recsports/about/memberships/>
(213) 740-5127



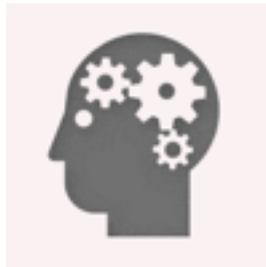
Membership to the Lyon Center and HSC Fitness Center for faculty, staff, students (graduate & undergraduate), alumni, and guests include access to facilities, fitness equipment, pools, equipment checkout, as well as additional programs and services for a fee. Appropriate identification is required for student, staff, faculty and alumni fees. All students must complete the online Rec Sports waiver prior to entering either facility.

Engemann Student Health Center

1031 West 34th Street, Los Angeles, CA

Pharmacy Mental Health Screening
<https://pharmacies.usc.edu/services/mental-health-screening/>
(213) 740-2738

Screenings are available at USC Pharmacy to help detect depression and suicidal symptoms. Pharmacists are available to answer pharmacological and non-pharmacological options to optimize care.



USC Pain Management
<http://www.helpforpain.com/>
(323) 442-3340



The USC Pain Management program analyses family activities to discover occupationally debilitating habits, restructures lifestyle to include health behaviors, helps people become engaged through participation in meaningful activities and reduces pain levels through diaphragmatic breathing, stress reduction, and relaxation techniques. Fees apply. May be covered under USC Network insurances. Students can use USC Student Health Insurance (\$15.00 co-pay).

Counseling Services
<https://engemannshc.usc.edu/counseling/>
(213) 740-7711

Counseling for Individual and Groups are available as well as crisis services, psychiatric services and various outreach programs.



Student Support

Center for Academic Support (CAS)
Student Union 301
<http://sait.usc.edu/academicssupport/study@usc.edu>
(213) 740-0776

The Center for Academic Support is the central resource and referral agency for learning enrichment at USC.



Legal Counseling (FREE)

Call (213) 740-5620 to set up an appointment. Fill out the form before appointment: <http://usg.usc.edu/applications/legalcounseling.pdf>
4:00 pm - 9:00 pm (Mondays)
Each appointment is 30 minutes



The Graduate Student Advocate

Three Graduate Student Advocate serves as resources for students who have questions or problems concerning TA/RA-ships, research or other matters concerning the successful pursuit of a graduate degree, and act as advocates within the Graduate Student Government (GSG).



Norman Topping Student Aid Fund

<http://sait.usc.edu/ntsaf/>
Tutor Campus Center 425
(213) 740-7575
ntsaf@usc.edu



The Norman Topping Student Aid Fund is the only student initiated student funded, primarily student administered scholarship in the nation. Its purpose is to assist students with high financial need who demonstrate an extraordinary level of community awareness in their pursuit of higher education at the University of Southern California.

Office of Campus Activities

Tutor Campus Center 410
<http://campusactivities.usc.edu/>
(213) 740-5693
stuacts@usc.edu



Campus Activities provides educational, cultural and social programs as well as support services to student organization, their leaders and the campus community.

Office for Residential Education

Student Union 200
<http://sait.usc.edu/ResEd/>
(213) 740-2080



Residential Education provides a student-centered, academically supportive residential environment by encouraging students' intellectual, moral and personal growth and cultivating responsible citizenship within the residential community. Resident Advisors are a part of this office.

Office of International Services (OIS)

TRF Building N 151
<https://sait.usc.edu/ois/>
(213) 740-2666
ois@usc.edu



Through a broad range of services, the Office of International Services assists more than 5,000 non-immigrant students, scholars, faculty and staff associated with the University of Southern California in achieving their education, professional and personal objectives.

Student Advocacy

Center for Women and Men

Engemann Student Health Center 356

<http://engemannshc.usc.edu/cwm/>

(213) 740-4900

cwm@usc.edu

The Center for Women and Men serves as a haven for students, staff and faculty. The center fosters an environment that enriches the USC experience across lines of gender, race, ethnicity, class and sexual orientation by providing educational programs that help prevent sexual violence and create healthy relationships.



Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Resource Center (LGBT)

<http://lgbtrc.usc.edu/>

Student Union 202B

(213) 740-7619

lgbt@usc.edu

The LGBT Resource Center works in collaboration with different campus departments, organizations, and community members create an inclusive, welcoming and safe environment for all students, faculty and staff.



Office for Religious Life

University Religious Center 102

<http://orl.usc.edu/>

(213) 740-6110

The Office of Religious Life sponsors campus programs with a moral, religious, or spiritual focus and it cosponsors events with other university units and partnerships of student religious groups. Here students can find a religious home base, for a new group, handle an ethical dilemma, or research a paper topic.



Office of Religious Life

Student Support and Advocacy

Student Union 201

<https://studentaffairs.usc.edu/ssa/>

(213) 740-2421

Student Support and Advocacy assists students and families in resolving complex issues which adversely affect a student's collegiate experience. Whether personal, academic, or financial, we evaluate and present options to students.

