University of Victoria Graduate Students’ Society

Graduate Representative Council

MEETING AGENDA - DRAFT

JANUARY 29TH, 2019, 5-7 PM

Council Member Invitees:

- Anthropology: Maya Cowan, Anu Lotay
- Art History & Visual Studies: Anahita Ranjbar
- Biochemistry & Microbiology: Jacob Imbery, Jay Joshi
- Biology: Keyrian Le Gratiet
- Business: Kathryn Jeffrey
- Civil Engineering: Kamran Tayyebi
- Computer Science: Olga Gould
- Earth & Ocean Sciences: Christiaan Laureij
- Economics: Ryley Erickson
- Education Curriculum & Instruction: Meaghan Storey
- Educational Psychology & Leadership Studies: Theresa Wanninger
- Electrical & Computer Engineering: Muniyat Rafa
- English: Janice Niemann, Kirsten Schuhmacher
- Environmental Studies: Tanya Tran
- Exercise Science, Physical & Health Education: Stina Grant
- French: Ryleigh Lightbourn, Rachel Corwin
- Germanic & Slavic Studies: Lauren Thompson, Jae Hyun Kim
- Greek & Roman Studies: Alyssa Allen
- Hispanic & Italian Studies: Estelle Kurier
- History: Sydney Fuhrman
- Interdisciplinary Graduate Programs: Anthony Gavin
- Law: Chinwenu Nwanisobi
- Mathematics & Statistics: Joseph Horan
- Mechanical Engineering: Charlotte Lafleur, Rad Haghi
- Neuroscience: Chad Williams
- Physics & Astronomy: Maan Hani
- Political Science: Franziska Fischer
- Psychology: Tom Ferguson
- Public Administration: Charlie White, Grace Montemurro
- Public Health & Social Policy: Anabelle Bernard Fournier
- Social Determinants of Health: Matty Cervantes
- Social Work: Trish Pal, Sarah Krahn
- Theatre: Jemma Llewellyn
- CUPE 4163: Mitchell Haslehurst

GSS Executive and Staff:

- Chair: Arash Isapour
- Director of Communications: Kelly Clark
- Director of Finance: Carla Osborne
- Director of Student Affairs: Esmaeil Rahimi
- Director of Services: Mahsa Mahtab
- Executive Director: Stacy Chappel
- Office Coordinator, Governance: Karen L. Potts
- Operations and Services Manager: Mike Ronning

Guests: Andrea Mellor, Board of Governors representative

Sean Oliver, Faculty of Humanities Council representative

Regrets:

Exercise Science, Physical & Health Education: Stina Grant

Council Vacancies:

- Chemistry
- Child & Youth Care
- Community Development
- Cultural Heritage Management
- Geography
- Greek & Roman Studies
- Health Information Science
- Indigenous Education
- Indigenous Governance
- Linguistics
- School of Music
- Nursing

Pacific & Asian Studies
- Philosophy
- Sociology
- Visual Arts
- Writing
DINNER AND NETWORKING - 4:30 PM
Informal time period for reps to get acquainted, share information, and discuss issues.

CALL TO ORDER

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT 5:00 PM

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STANDING ITEMS

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA 5:05 PM

   MOTION: BIRT the agenda is approved.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (APPENDIX A)

   MOTION: BIRT the minutes from the December 18th, 2018 Grad Council meeting are approved as presented [OR with minor corrections as provided].

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4. ASSIGNMENT OF TIMEKEEPER (NON-EXECUTIVE MEMBER)

5. REPORTS

   A. CHAIR’S REMARKS - 5:15 PM

   B. EXECUTIVE BOARD

      Executive Board written reports for December are available on Connect. Please review.

   C. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REMARKS

   D. GRC AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP REPORT, APPOINTMENTS (APPENDIX B) 5:25 PM
E. GSS STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS – 5:30 PM

- Appeals
- Bylaw & Policy
- Communications
- Events
- Finance
- Student Affairs
- Stipend Review

F. UVIC COMMITTEES – VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENT MOTIONS (APPENDIX C) – 5:35 PM

G. OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS – OPEN FLOOR – 5:40 PM

H. DEPARTMENT REPORTS (30 SECONDS PER ACADEMIC UNIT) – 5:45 PM

Members who would like their update recorded in the official minutes are requested to email their reports to gssgov@uvic.ca for inclusion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. UPDATE FROM BOARD OF GOVERNORS GRADUATE REPS – ANDREA MELLOR 6:00 PM

2. CHANGES TO GRADUATE STUDENT FUNDING FROM FGS – SEAN OLIVER 6:10 PM

3. FEE REFERENDA – 6:20 PM

1.1 GSS Operating Fund Fee

1.2 UVSS Managed Group Funds

Motion: WHEREAS the GSS member fee is not equal to the UVSS member fees, therefore, BIRT to hold a referendum of the GSS membership to ask the following questions:

- Are you in favour of an increase of $0.33 for the Constituency Groups, to increase the total fee from $1.00 to $1.33 per term?
- Are you in favour of an increase of $0.75 for the Clubs, to increase the total fee from $0.50 to $1.25 per term?
- Are you in favour of an increase of $0.75 for the campus food bank, to increase the total fee from $1.04 per term to $1.79, and increase this fee annually by CPI?
- Are you in favour of an increase of $0.50 to the Ombudsperson fee, for an increase of the total fee from $0.50 per term to $1.50 per term?
1.3 AVP Fee Increase

WHEREAS the Anti-Violence Project is the sexual assault centre on campus and provides anti-oppressive and sex-positive services, advocacy and support to all students, staff, faculty, and community members, in partnership and collaboration, in order to address and resist gender-based violence and all other forms of harm.

WHEREAS AVP saw a 50% increase in the requests for support sessions in the 2017-2018 academic year compared to the 2016-2017 academic year, including requests from graduate students.

WHEREAS full-time undergraduate students are paying $4 per term and part-time undergraduate students $2 per term to the AVP; therefore,

BIRT to hold a referendum of the GSS membership to ask the following question:

Are you in favour of an increase of $1.00 to the AVP fee for graduate students enrolled in classes and $0.50 for graduate students enrolled in co-op, to increase to a total fee of $2.00 for graduate students enrolled in classes and $1.00 for graduate students enrolled in co-op?

1.4 Student Advocate

WHEREAS the UVSS will hold a referendum of their membership to establish a dedicated fee for the creation of a Student Advocate Office;

WHEREAS the GSS has long supported the creation of a Student Advocate position to assist students engaged in appeals or academic tribunals at the University, therefore,

BIRT to hold a referendum of the GSS membership to ask the following question:

Are you in favour of the creation of a new fee of $1 per term to fund a Student Advocate Office?

1.5 GSS Health and Dental Insurance Plan

The GSS is anticipating that we will be holding a fee increase referendum in May 2019 related to the student extended health and dental insurance plan.

3. ELECTORAL OFFICER UPDATE – ERICKSON 6:50 PM

CLOSING ITEMS

IMPORTANT DATE REMINDERS

Next GRC meeting: February 26, 2019
Upcoming GSS General Meeting: March 26, 2019
GSS Executive Election: March 2019
REQUESTS FOR SUPPORT/ADVOCACY/PARTICIPATION

Time for any GRC member who is connected with a group or issue that is hosting an event, to request support or participation from other graduate students.

NOTICES OF MOTION FOR NEXT GRC MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: BIRT to adjourn the meeting.

AGENDA APPENDICES TO FOLLOW:
APPENDIX A:

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MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

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Guests:

Board of Governors, Elected Grad Student Rep – Andrea Mellor
Anti-Violence Project, Staff – Captain and Serena

Regrets:

Computer Science: Olga Gould
Environmental Studies: Tanya Tran
History: Sydney Fuhrman
Mechanical Engineering: Rad Haghi
Physics & Astronomy: Maan Hani
Political Science: Franziska Fischer
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Absent:

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Earth & Ocean Sciences: Christiaan Laureijs
Economics: Ryley Erickson
Social Work: Trish Pal, Sarah Krahn
Theatre: Jemma Llewellyn
CUPE 4163: Mitchell Haslehurst

Council Vacancies:

Chemistry
Child & Youth Care
Community Development
Cultural Heritage Management
Exercise Science, Physical & Health Education
Geography
Health Information Science
Hispanic & Italian Studies
Indigenous Education
Indigenous Governance
Linguistics
School of Music
Nursing
Pacific & Asian Studies
Philosophy
Sociology
Visual Arts
Writing
DINNER AND NETWORKING - 4:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

CLARK (interim chair as requested by ISAPOUR) called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.

A. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge and respect the Lkwungen-speaking peoples on whose traditional territory the Graduate Students’ Society exists, and the Songhees, Esquimalt and WSÁNEĆ peoples whose relationships with the land continue to this day.

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CLARK offered a personal land acknowledgement and requested that all members look at the Douglas treaties etc. to understand the impetus and implications for land acknowledgements.

B. ANTIVIOLENCE PROJECT GUESTS

CLARK recognized Serena and Captain from AVP as guests. The AVP reps requested that they be allowed to present in January regarding a proposed fee increase for grad students to match the undergrad fee increase that was approved by UVSS referendum.

CLARK thanked the guests for the advance notice.

STANDING ITEMS

A. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: RESOLVED THAT the agenda is approved as presented.
M/S NIEMANN/STOREY
CARRIED

B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the November 27th, 2018 are approved as presented.
M/S RAHIMI/HORAN
CARRIED

C. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

D. ASSIGNMENT OF TIMEKEEPER AND SPEAKER’S LIST KEEPER

RAHIMI volunteered as timekeeper.
CLARK volunteered to keep the speakers list.

E. REPORTS

1. CHAIR’S REMARKS

   CLARK reported that ISAPOUR was delayed. No report.

2. EXECUTIVE BOARD

   Reminder that Executive Board written reports for November are available on Connect. Please provide questions for Executive at GRC meetings, and/or feedback to the Stipend Review Committee.

3. GRC AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP REPORT

   The membership report for GRC and Standing Committees was presented as an appendix to the agenda. (Now attached as Appendix A to the Minutes.)

   **Motion:** RESOLVED that Alyssa Allen is elected to the 2018-19 Events Committee.

   **M/S THOMPSON/WILLIAMS**

   **CARRIED**

4. GSS STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

   - **Appeals.** MAHTAB reported that everything is going smoothly.

   - **Bylaw & Policy.** JEFFREY reported that 17 returned surveys on department elections were reviewed. Half of these departments had formal election processes for GRC reps. The Committee will present the full results at the next GRC meeting. The Committee will also be dividing up the GSS Policy Manual for review.

   - **Communications.** CLARK reported on the meeting with CFUV. They are very interested in having grad student broadcasting. Please have interested grad members contact CLARK, especially any graduate student with insight or ability to comment on mental health issues affecting grad students.

   - **Events.** MAHTAB reported that the 2019 Jan to March events have been determined.

   - **Finance.** OSBORNE reported that the last meeting was not quorate. However those attended continued work on a narrative to help improve understanding of the budget.

   - **Student Affairs.** WILLIAMS reported that the Student Affairs Committee will divide into 2 project teams: 1. To work on the new Advocate position, including drafting a job description for the new position. 2. To work on actions from the Student Survey.

   - **Stipend Review.** HORAN reported that the last meeting was not quorate. HORAN reminded GRC that if the Stipend Review Committee can not reach quorum, then the written executive reports will need to be reviewed and approved by the GRC as a whole. As well HORAN stated that the Committee
wants to move forward with the Nov. 27 2018 GRC approved motion to formalize committee member input into the stipend review process.

5. UVIC COMMITTEES MEMBERSHIP VACANCIES

CLARK asked for volunteers to the outstanding UVic Committees. (See Appendix B).

IMBERY questioned the names listed for the Dean of Science search committee as he believed he was confirmed as the Alternate at the November 27, 2018 GRC. The GRC asked that the Executive Director look into this on her return and report through the Executive Board.

WANNINGER expressed interest in serving on the UVic Student Mental Health Committee, but asked that her ratification be postponed until she can confirm her availability for the 2019 meetings.

Motion: RESOLVED THAT Teresa Wanninger is elected as the GSS graduate student representative to the 2018-19 UVic Student Mental Health Committee.

Motion referred to January Executive Board meeting for ratification pending Wanninger’s confirmation of her ability to attend.

NIEMANN volunteered for the Graduate Fee Reduction Appeal Committee.

Motion: RESOLVED THAT Janice Niemann is elected as the GSS graduate student representative to the 2018-19 UVic Graduate Fee Reductions Appeals Committee.

M/S RAHIMI/WILLIAMS

CARRIED

6. OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS – OPEN FLOOR

HORAN reported that Faculty of Grad Studies grad reps have met to discuss issues related to their work on the Faculty of Grad Studies Council. HORAN encouraged everyone to participate in the 3 Minute Thesis competition.

7. ACADEMIC UNIT/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

GRC members in attendance shared news and events from their departments.

Members who would like their update recorded in the official minutes are invited to email their reports to gssgov@uvic.ca for inclusion.

NEW BUSINESS

A. REPORT BACK REGARDING MEETING WITH CFUV AND GRADUATE STUDENT PODCAST – CLARK

See the Communications Committee Report.
B. REFERENDA ON THE FEES FOR SHARED SERVICES MANAGED BY THE UVSS – MAHTAB

MAHTAB explained that an issue arose because a graduate student was not allowed to start a new club under the current structure. Discussions have been held with UVSS elected reps and staff. The GSS has asked the UVSS to update polices to remove access restrictions for graduate students, to keep the Food Bank open in the summer, and to inform the GSS whenever the UVSS changes its member fees. In turn the GSS has been requested to increase its member fees for the services which would require a referendum.

MAHTAB presented the current fee structure pertaining to services that GSS shares with the UVSS:

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Fees need to be increased by: (roughly)
0.33 $ Constituency (only general services)
0.75 $ for clubs
0.75 $ for food bank
0.50 $ for Ombudsperson

GRC members discussed the need for more time to consider this issue. Being concerned about potential referendum fatigue, GRC members also requested a full picture of all the member fee increases that could be considered for 2019 (general society fees, health and dental insurance premiums, the new student advocate position, upcoming AVP request etc.).

MAHTAB committed to putting the fee schedule on the Connect drive. This issue will come back to the January 29th GRC meeting for decision.

C. DIRECTOR OF STUDENT AFFAIRS REPORT ON HIS PLAN FOR MANAGING DUTIES DURING HIS CO-OP TERM – RAHIMI

RAHMI reported that he sent an email to the GRC regarding his plans for managing the workload.

HORAN asked for members of the Student Affairs Committee to confirm that work plan has been determined. WILLIAMS confirmed that this plan has been formulated.
CLARK wished RAHIMI the best.

D. CREATION OF A TEMPORARY CSPT DEPARTMENT REP SEAT (AS PER BYLAW 6.3.C) – COWAN

COWAN absent. Agenda item tabled to the next GRC meeting.

CLOSING ITEMS

IMPORTANT DATE REMINDERS

January 29th, 2019 from 11 am – 12 pm, will be an ‘open’ meeting for the Board of Governors. All graduate students interested in the work of the Board of Governors are encouraged to attend.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS/AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Staff presentation from the UVic Anti-Violence Project requesting a GSS referendum for increased funding.

Andrea MELLOR, elected graduate student representative to the UVic Board of Governors, requested time on the agenda for a Board of Governors update at the next GRC.

OSBORNE provided notice that the elected representative to the Faculty of Humanities Council would like to present on the implications of the funding model currently presented for graduate studies in Humanities.

REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK

MAHTAB asked for feedback from GRC reps on the GSS Wednesday Coffee event. MAHTAB stated that Wednesday Coffee takes up 70% of the Events budget leaving little money for other events. If GRC reps have feedback (e.g. do they want to keep the event?) from members in their departments, please submit via email to gssserv@uvic.ca, or, bring in person to the Jan. 8 Events Committee meeting at 3:30.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting.

M/S THOMPSON/RAHIMI

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 pm

klp/SC/jh

Approved, Chair

Approved, Executive Director
APPENDIX B:

GRC PARTICIPATION:

Welcome to newly elected reps: Stina Grant, Exercise Science, Physical and Health Education; and, Estelle Kurier, Hispanic and Italian Studies.

To date, 33 of 49 eligible academic units have representatives on the GRC.

Reminder: Bylaws VI 6.3 (g) state: A Grad Rep who does not attend 3 consecutive meetings and doesn’t provide an alternate, ceases to be a rep upon direction of the Executive Board.

GRC STANDING COMMITTEES: MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

All spaces required to be filled by GRC members on Standing Committees are now filled.

Five of the 7 standing committees have additional spaces for Committee Members-at-Large (CMLs) for any GSS member in good standing to fill (representation on GRC is not required).

- FULL: Appeals – 4 GRC reps, no provision for CML
- FULL: Stipend Review – 3 GRC reps (3 maximum), no provision for CML
- Bylaw and Policy – 6 GRC reps (6 maximum), up to 6 CML allowed
- Communications – 5 GRC reps (5 maximum), up to 5 CML allowed
- Events – 4 GRC reps (5 maximum), up to 5 CML allowed
- Finance – 5 GRC reps (5 maximum), up to 5 CML allowed
- Student Affairs – 8 GRC reps (8 maximum), 1 CML, up to 8 CML allowed

Reminder from GSS Policy: A committee member other than an ex-officio member who misses two (2) consecutive meetings without providing regrets shall be automatically removed from the Committee. Notice of members automatically unseated will be given at the next meeting of GRC.

GRC MEMBER COMMITTEE DUTIES: NEW APPOINTMENTS

Motion: RESOLVED that Stina Grant is elected to the 2018-19 Bylaw and Policy Committee.
APPENDIX C:

Current outstanding requests for graduate student representation on UVic Committees:

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*new requests – for more information see documentation in current GRC meeting folder

Motion: BIRT to elect Connor Leshner as graduate student representative to the 2018-19 Senate Committee on Continuing Studies.

Motion: BIRT to elect ______________ as graduate student representative on the UVic Award for Excellence in Teaching for Experimental Learning Adjudication Committee.

Motion: BIRT to elect ______________ as graduate student representative on the UVic Harry Hickman and Gilian Sherwin Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching Adjudication Committee.

Applicant: Senate Committee on Continuing Studies

Name: Connor Leshner

Program: Psychology

Committee: Continuing Studies

Candidate statement: My name is Connor Leshner and I wish to use this platform to announce my candidacy for the committee on continuing studies. Despite my limited experience at the University of Victoria, I have over two years of administrative experience from when I worked in the advising office at my undergraduate institution, as well as a mentor through the psychology honors society. Through these experiences, I was given a personal view of the kinds of points and barriers that face college administrations, and I want to do what I can to assist students in their career and academic goals.

At my home institution, I was intimately aware of the opportunities presented through extracurriculars and internships while working in the advising office. Coming from a university of over 90,000 students, these
internships were ingrained within the bedrock of recommendations for students who are unsure of the next steps of continuing and completing a degree. Arizona State University, with over 100 years of growth and development, had turned continuing studies into a science, with over 100 certificate and professional development courses offered to students attending the university. While my knowledge comes from Arizona, I have found my heart in Victoria, and I want to bring this knowledge to the fledgling university so both it and its students can flap its wings.

The professional development programs at UVic show a lot of promise. Between Computer Based Information Systems and Intercultural Education to TEFL, there is a variety of possibilities for students to learn from. However, there is surely room to grow. A research assistant of mine is currently working at the Center for Youth and Society, and this inspires in my mind a lack of focus on careers that can aim toward working with developing children. I have also spoken with several students on study visas or recent immigrants to Canada (as I am also an international student), and one thing that strikes me as odd is the lack of international study programs for people wanting to study abroad. While the Intercultural Education program and the TEFL programs stand out, I do not see anything that would preclude someone to work any job outside of teaching in a foreign country, even though the goal of the continuing studies program is specifically built to help people find careers in specializations. I am confident in my roots as well that I could fight to bring a larger international focus to the committee.

Finally, I believe that more work can and should be done to attach these programs to the students. Despite my limited tenure at UVic, of all the conversations I have had with undergraduate students, I had never really known or understood anything about the Continuing Studies program. In fact, when I first heard about it, I believed it was something related to graduate studies. I believe work can be done to communicate better to the student population, and I want to do what I can to help any interested student in continuing studies.