

University of Victoria Graduate Students' Society

Nomination for GSS Executive:

We, the undersigned, nominate [full name] _____ of (UVic Department) _____ to the position of [select one] for the April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2027 term

- CHAIR**
- DIRECTOR OF INTERNAL/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS**
- DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS**
- DIRECTOR OF FINANCE**
- DIRECTOR OF STUDENT LIFE**

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**If you are endorsing a candidate and cannot sign this form, please email confirmation of your endorsement to voteqss@uvic.ca before the nomination deadline. Late endorsements will not be considered.*

[a minimum of **ten (10)** nominations from registered UVic graduate students required].

Candidates for the Executive Board **must** be available for ~34 hours of work per month, including a minimum of three GSS meetings **during GSS office hours** per month, regular (i.e. 1-5 per month) UVic committee meetings during business hours, and monthly GRC meetings on Tuesday evenings. The Chair and Director of Finance should be able to sign cheques at Halpern Centre during GSS office hours.

Please also note that the work of the board is very intense in September and candidates should be prepared to conduct up to 50 hours of work during office hours that month.

Please complete all sections of this nomination form. Please send only ONE email with all your nominators as a single pdf when you submit your nomination to voteqss@uvic.ca.

I accept this nomination. Full name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Candidate V#: _____ Candidate email: _____

Candidate social media channels to be used in campaigning: _____

Nominations can be submitted by emailing scanned form to votegss@uvic.ca. Scanning may be done in the GSS Office. The GSS Office is closed for Family Day and Reading Week.

Please email a candidate statement (max 500 words in an attached .docx or within body of an email) and candidate photo (.jpg) for circulation on the GSS website to votegss@uvic.ca. Please ensure your candidate statement and photo are in separate documents from your nominators' personal information. Candidate information will be posted on the GSS website, subject to approval by the electoral officer, on February 24.

Important dates:

Meet the Board event: Wednesday, February 4, 9-10am at the GSS

Nomination period: 10:00am, February 9 to 4:00 pm, February 23.

Campaign period: Feb 24-Mar 3. Candidates are encouraged to prepare their campaign in advance.

Meet the Candidate events: Wednesday, February 25, 9-10am at the GSS

Voting: 9:00am, March 4, to 4:30pm, March 6. Voting takes place at <https://uvicusec.simplyvoting.com/>.

Candidates are asked to make themselves available Monday, March 30, 10-11:30am for a transition board meeting and for training for up to 20 hours between March 25 and April 18. Board members elect are invited to attend the March meeting of the GRC Committee they will be chairing as of April. Please contact the GSS office for meeting schedules.

Brief Position Descriptions:

Chair: leads the Board and guides the Board & GRC in accomplishing their goals. They are responsible for oversight of the Annual Plan and GSS governance. Chairs the Bylaw and Policy Committee.

Director of Finance: prepares the annual budget and oversees the annual audit. Ensures the financial health and transparency of the GSS. Chairs the Finance Committee and Appeals Committee.

Director of Internal/University Relations: acts as the primary liaison between the Society and University administration. Jointly with the Director of External Relations, they lead the Society's advocacy campaigns. Vice-Chair of the Advocacy and Campaigns and Appeals Committees.

Director of External Relations: acts as primary liaison between the Society and all levels of government and with media. Jointly with the Director of Internal/University Relations, they lead the Society's advocacy campaigns. Chairs the Advocacy and Campaigns Committee.

Director of Student Life: plans GSS-sponsored activities and participation in campus-wide events like Orientation. Liaises with student groups, clubs, etc. Chairs the Events Committee.

A longer description of roles can be found in the GSS Board Job Descriptions policy [here](#).

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