



Graduate Student Association

Student Council Meeting
April 04, 2022

Agenda



- I. Guest: Emmet von Stackelberg (Rutgers AAUP-AFT)
- II. Guest: Amanda Liyanaarachchi (Election Commissioner)
- III. GSA Elections 2022-23
- IV. Report on the State of GSA
- V. Updates from the Senate
- VI. GSO Announcements
- VII. Any Other Business
- VIII. Adjournment



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II. Guest: Amanda Liyanaarachchi (Election Commissioner)



III. GSA Elections 2022-23

GSA Officer and Senator Positions



Nominations will be open for the GSA Officer and Senator positions for the 2022-23 AY. Open positions are:

- **Executive Board Positions:** President, Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary
- **VP Positions:** VP of External Affairs, VP of Events and Programming, and VP of Marketing Orientations and Communications
- **Directors:** Professional Development, and Academic Development
 - NOTE: GSA Director positions are appointed by EC and confirmed by council after elections
- 4 School of Graduate Studies (SGS) University **Senators**

Expected Timeline

Nominations Open: March 28th

Nomination Close: April 10th at Midnight

Election Period: April 12th - 15th

Are you eligible?



Who can run for an officer position

- Any graduate student enrolled in the following schools:

**Edward J. Bloustein
School of Planning and
Public Policy**

**Graduate School of
Applied and
Professional
Psychology**

**Graduate School of
Education**

**Mason Gross School
of the Arts**

**Rutgers Business
School- NB**

**School of Arts and
Sciences**

**School of
Communication and
Information**

School of Engineering

**School of
Environmental and
Biological Sciences**

**School of Graduate
Studies**

**School of Management
and Labor Relations**

School of Social Work

- Non-SGS, RBHS constituency is sometimes unclear. Get in touch if you have questions.



IV. Report on the State of GSA



President

Website Domain Updated



- The updated website address for GSA is gsa.rutgers.edu
- NOTE: Reimbursements via Electronic Submission Portals
 - Please use the right portals to file for reimbursements.

Please email at president@gsa.rutgers.edu



Graduate Student Association Presents

Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week

Date

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| 4/06 | <u>Breakfast and Coffee Mixer</u> |
| Wed. | 9-11 am, Biomedical Engineering Atrium |
| 4/07 | <u>Paint Knight*</u> |
| Thu. | 6:30-8 pm, Zoom
*Please RSVP by 3/31 |
| 4/08 | <u>Afternoon Yoga</u> |
| Fri. | 1 pm , Busch Student Center |
| 4/08 | <u>Foods of the World</u> |
| Fri. | 5-7 pm, Graduate Student Lounge |
| 4/09 | <u>Hiking</u> |
| Sat. | 9 am-12 pm, Livingston Trail |
| 4/11 | <u>Professional Headshots*</u> |
| Mon. | 10 am-3 pm, Graduate Student Lounge
*To register click here |
| 4/11 | <u>Mental Health Town Hall</u> |
| Mon. | 5-6:30 pm, Zoom |

Interested in an event? Click on the event
name for more info



Graduate-Professional Student Appreciation Week



- April 6-11, 2022
- **We strongly advise all the GSO leaders to attend the Mental Health and Resources Town hall on April 11, 2020 at 5 pm.**
 - Invite additional students in your cohort, organization, department, etc!

Please email at president@gsa.rutgers.edu



Executive Vice-President



Treasurer



LAST DAY FOR PER REIMBURSEMENT SUBMISSION IS MAY 31, 2022.

Reimbursements **must** be submitted by this date so that they may be processed for this fiscal year.

If your GSO wants to hold an event between June 1st and October, you must receive explicit approval from GSA since no funds are allocated for that period of time.



Proposed Durable Good Amendment

	Current Policy	Proposed Policy
Purchase Frequency	Once every three years	Once a year
Funding Source	Dedicated pool from the GSA Internal Budget	GSO's Annual Entitlement
Status Report of Goods	At the request of the GSA EC	Annually
Maximum Request	Discretion of GSA, case-by-case basis	Discretion of GSA, case-by-case basis
Ownership of Goods	GSA	GSA

Google Document Contents:

The above table

Reasons for changes

Re-written Funding Policies Section 4.5

Current Funding Policies Section 4.5

COUNCIL MEETING VOTE DATE: TODAY (APRIL 4TH)

[View Google Document of Proposed Durable Goods Amendment](#)



Vote on Durable Goods Funding Policies



Policy for Communal Durable Goods

Supplies that may be useful to multiple GSOs may be purchased by the GSA and kept for loaning to GSOs

- Available for short term loaning on a check-out and check-in basis
- May include things such as board games, sports equipment, etc.
- Purchased at the discretion of the GSA EC
- Would not be funded by the GSO's entitlement

Benefits

- Reduce duplicity of goods owned by GSA
- Maintain quality of goods
- Reduce burden of purchasing goods on the GSOs
- Encourage collaboration for events

Durable Good Request Form OPEN



Durable Goods Request Form

sites.rutgers.edu/gsa → Records → Electronic Submission Portals

DISCLAIMER: NO GOODS MAY BE PURCHASED UNTIL EXPLICIT WRITTEN APPROVAL IS PROVIDED.

For more information on what qualifies as a durable good and the restrictions, see the [GSA Funding Guidelines](#).

GSO Co-Hosting GSA Events



If your GSO is interested in co-hosting an event with the GSA, email treasurer@gsa.rutgers.edu & events@gsa.rutgers.edu.

Upcoming Major Annual Event:

End-of-Year BBQ

April 29th

Set-Up: 3PM

Event: 4PM-7PM

Clean Up: 7PM-however long it takes



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Health and Nutrition Committee



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Interesting and
thought-provoking
workshop!!!



Message us if you are interested in watching it!!



YouTube

RUHealth&NutritionCommittee



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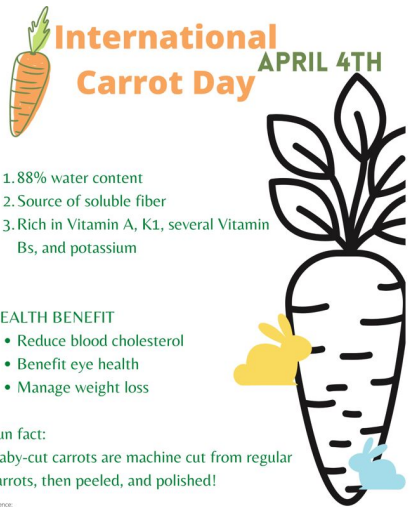
@Health_GSA_RU



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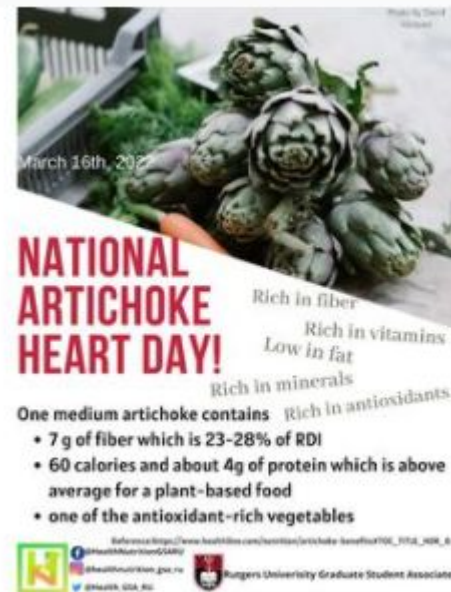
Social Media posts



Reference:
1. Carrot 101: Nutrition Facts and Health Benefits, Alisha Bhatnagar, MS, RDN (<https://www.healthline.com/nutrition/foods/carrots>)
2. International Carrot Day, <http://www.carrotday.com/carrotday.htm>

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Questions?

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RUHealth&NutritionCommittee



Mental Health Committee

The MHC is recruiting new members!



Please contact us if interested:
mentalhealth@gsa.rutgers.edu



<https://sites.rutgers.edu/gsa/resources/health-and-wellness/>

- List of downloadable mental health resources
- “How to find a therapist” doc



Events



We strongly encourage everyone to attend the **Mental Health and Resources Town hall** on April 11, 2022 at 5 pm

There will be a **Paint Knight** on April 7th 6:30 - 8:00 PM (If you RSVP'd please let us know to coordinate pickup)



Mental Health Survey

Survey opened in May 2021
Closed February 2022
254 responses

Look out for a report after the Town Hall Meeting on
April 11th!



Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee

Upcoming March Events



RUTGERS GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION DIVERSITY,
EQUITY, AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE AND RUTGERS CENTER
FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE EDUCATION PRESENT

Gender in Society: Feminism

This workshop lead by Diversity Peer Educators from SJE will challenge beliefs around what feminism looks like, who it is for, and why it is important by looking at it through a critical lens. Students will partake in an engaging discussion on topics around feminism such as gender roles and expectations, groups that have been historically left out of the feminist movement, and how toxic masculinity and toxic femininity play into these perceptions.

APRIL 26TH

7-8PM

RSVP HERE FOR ZOOM LINK



GSA-Sponsored Event

A workshop with Center for Social Justice Education titled “Gender in Society: Feminism” - led by Diversity Peer Educators - on Zoom on April 26th - RSVP Link here



V. Update from the Senate

Update: Senate Meeting



- The University Senate met on March 25, 2022
 - **Meeting agenda:**
<https://senate.rutgers.edu/meeting/senate-meeting-new-brunswick-campus-report/#>
- Chancellor Conway gave a report on the state of Rutgers-NB
- Passed 7 resolutions, including one that redefined what the presidential search committee should look like, and another that recommends better pay and benefits for PTLs
- **Budget and Finance Committee** - Submitting a recommendation to President Holloway for increasing accessibility to the university budget
- *Next Senate Meeting:* **April 29th, 2022** at **1:00pm**
 - Organizational Meeting to elect new Executive Council



VI. GSO's Announcements



VII. Any Other Business?



VIII. Adjournment