

2021 Graduate Education Council Elections Call for Graduate Student Nominations

There are currently graduate student vacancies on the Graduate Education Council. Terms are for either one or two years. To confirm your division, [click here](#).

Division I	Humanities	1 student vacancy
Division II	Social Sciences	2 student vacancies
Division III	Physical Sciences	1 student vacancy
Division IV	Life Sciences	1 student vacancy

Graduate Education Council (GEC) is an academic advisory and approval body responsible for developing and implementing academic policy and regulations for SGS and graduate studies at the University of Toronto. It considers, recommends and, where appropriate, approves:

- new and/or revised SGS academic policies and regulations;
- reports of its standing committees; and other related matters as they arise;
- other topics for consideration.

Graduate Student members on GEC: Students registered in graduate units in each SGS Division may elect three members. Candidates for graduate student seats must be a registered graduate student and must be nominated in their relevant division. The terms are staggered so that only a portion of GEC membership changes each year. Graduate student members whose terms are ending are eligible for re-election, to a maximum of three years.

Graduate units may not have more than one member on Council at one time. For the 2021 election, faculty from the following departments are **ineligible** to submit a nomination:

Division II	Germanic Languages & Literatures
Division II	Anthropology
Division III	Chemistry or Institute for Biomedical Engineering
Division IV	Pharmacology & Toxicology or Medical Biophysics

To be completed by the nominee

Name of Nominee	
Student Number	
Graduate Unit	
Division	
U of T Email Address	

I am willing to serve a: one-year term (July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022)
 two-year term (July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2023)

Note: Student membership is for a one- or two-year term, at the member's discretion, with the option of re-election to a maximum of three consecutive years.

Candidate's Statement

Submission of a statement is voluntary. Nominees may submit a biographical statement or other comments to a maximum of 75 words. Longer statements will be edited by SGS to conform to size. Acronyms and abbreviations will be counted as one word. To be accepted, the statement must be clearly printed, or typed and attached to this form. If there is an election, the statement will appear on the ballot. Voters will want to know about relevant experience such as committee work; other offices held at U of T, SGS, or elsewhere; and other relevant activities.

Signature of Nominee

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Signifying willingness to stand for election to the Graduate Education Council and approval of the Candidate's Statement above)

Nominators

Nomination forms must be signed by the nominee and two nominators who must be graduate students registered in the relevant Division.

1 Name: _____ Graduate Unit: _____ Signature: _____

2 Name: _____ Graduate Unit: _____ Signature: _____

GEC Membership: GEC membership includes several ex-officio voting members, and the following 35 elected members: five graduate faculty members from each of the four divisions, three graduate students from each of the four divisions, and three graduate administrators (one from SGS and two from graduate units). In addition, non-voting members may be appointed by the SGS Dean.

Meetings: Meetings are held either virtually through Microsoft Teams or at the St. George campus and are normally scheduled at 3 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month. GEC meets at least once a session (term) between September and May.

Term: Membership is one or two years, at the member's discretion; terms begin July 1.

Eligibility: Candidates for a student seat must be graduate students and must be nominated by two graduate students from their division. Student members whose terms are ending are eligible for re-election, to a maximum of three consecutive years.

Responsibilities: Members are expected to attend meetings and to review agenda material so they can make informed decisions about items for approval. In addition, members may be asked to serve on related committees. Members missing more than two successive meetings of Council may be asked to resign.

For more information: www.sgs.utoronto.ca/facultyandstaff/Pages/Graduate-Education-Council.aspx

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: www.rosi.utoronto.ca/fippa.php

Please return the completed nomination form to Dianne Heximer, Council Secretary at sgs.dean@utoronto.ca.