



RUTGERS

UNIVERSITY | NEW BRUNSWICK
Graduate Student Association

Plenary Council Meeting

Graduate Student Association
December 5th, 2022



Special Guest:

Counseling, Alcohol and Other Drug Assistance Program &
Psychiatric Services (CAPS)



Presidential Update





Thank you!



Rutgers Quality of Life Survey

- Please fill out the survey after this meeting!
- https://rutgers.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5hyjpHRaUFGDqqW
- To truly understand the Rutgers student experience, we need ALL Rutgers students to complete this survey. It should only take about 5-10 minutes.
- If you do complete the survey, you will be entered into a lottery to win one of ten \$100 Visa cards. The lottery will close by December 31, 2022.



Rutgers FlexWork@RU Survey

- Please fill out the survey after this meeting!
- [Is FlexWork@RU Working for You? survey](#)
- close Dec 16th



EVP Update





Surveys Galore!

End of the semester GSA Survey - let us know how we are doing this semester and how we can improve next semester!

<https://rutgers.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/569109>

QR Code - Survey open till end of December/the year





GSA E-board Openings

We have openings for the following three positions.

- Blog/Website Manager
- Director of Marketing
- Senate position - 1 opening

Please reach out to ec@gsa.rutgers.edu if you would are interested in any of these positions or know any qualified and interested candidates.



Treasurer Update





Please welcome

Graduate Entomology

Student Association!



- (1) Promote awareness and appreciation of entomology within the University community through events and collaborations with other student groups.
- (2) Encourage excellence by providing the graduate student body with a highly collaborative environment to enhance research and academic opportunities within our field.
- (3) Develop leadership skills through professional development opportunities and community outreach.
- (4) Promote diversity through inclusiveness of all cultures, experiences, and ethnicities within the organization and department.



GSO Spending Tracker 2022 Fall Submission

Due December 31st, 2022, 11:59PM to getINVOLVED portal

Submitted files should be named:

[GSO NAME] Spending Tracker [YEAR] [SEMESTER].xlsx

Include events where spending = \$0

If you received funding from a non-GSA source, indicate it in the “notes” column of the sheet.

LINK TO TEMPLATE

- Download the template as an Excel file.
- Fill out the template for your GSO.
- Submit the Excel file to getINVOLVED.

gsa.rutgers.edu/for-gsos-2/event-guides-and-resources/

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Post Event Report Timeline Reminder

**Please submit PERs in the
2 weeks following the event!**

At the *very, very, latest* submit them within 90 days of
the conclusion of the event!



Secretary Update





Business Manager Update





Honoraria Update

- New system
 - New request form (PDF and getINVOLVED) will be posted soon
 - requires 3 (or 4) components **EACS required (no exceptions, regardless of size/location)**

Pre-event

- Make honoraria request via getINVOLVED and notify via email
- GSA initiates adding speaker to system
- Speaker receives a link to fill out various information

During Event

- Event will be held as usual
- Speaker will not receive payment at time of event

Post-event

- MUST submit a PER to initiate check request for speaker
- check generated and sent by University to speaker directly



Checks and Reimbursements

- Please have all reimbursement requests submitted by end of week to be cut a check before the end of the year!



Vice President of External Affairs Updates





External Affairs Updates

- SAGE Survey completed
 - 13 Universities responded
 - Link to survey report:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1WUiv5iv_HWaceqFFPDd821Gnrqm7R2ZOVnNpLRponvU/edit?usp=sharing
 - Will continue to work to expand survey reach to other universities



Professional and Academic Director Development Updates





Professional Development Events

- Held successful headshots event
- Will hold another headshots event in the Spring
- Working on some events with the Career Exploration Services office
 - One future event is a diversity statement writing workshop



Committee Updates





Recreation Committee - Rock Wall Party



- Please spread the word about this event!
- Spots are limited to 30 people and there will be a wait list so please change your RSVP if your plans change
- If it is successful, we can make it a recurring event - let us know how you like it!



Recreation Committee - Future events

- Skiing?
- Other activities?
 - Biking
 - Hiking
 - camping
 - RU golf

Email recreation@gsa.rutgers.edu to:

- Join the committee (**Looking for members**)
- Suggest an event
- **Co-sponsor** an event with your GSO



We have contacts and resources at Rutgers Recreation that can help make outdoors and recreation events more fun!



Recreation Committee - Volunteer Opportunity

- If you are interested in applying to be a Student Facilitator with GO Outdoors visit:
<http://recreation.rutgers.edu/adventurerec/student-facilitators/>
- Email jesse.stratowski@rutgers.edu with questions

Outdoor Adventure Recreation

APPLY TO BE A STUDENT FACILITATOR



Expand your skills

Student facilitators will be trained in kayaking & kayak rescues, rock climbing & anchor building, front & back country camping, backpacking, biking, Wilderness First Responder. Some previous outdoor skills preferred.



Lead peers

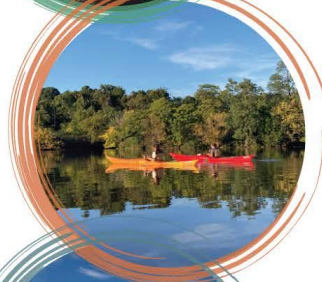
Student facilitators are tasked with the planning and execution of our outdoor trip programming. This includes trip prep, emergency preparedness, and group management.



Join the community

As a student facilitator, you will join an adventurous group of motivated students known as "Go Outdoors"!

*GO has been a great addition to my Rutgers experience! I've met awesome people, learned about the local adventures New Jersey has to offer, and have loved our Spring Break training trips all over the country! -Jackie, class of '24



LEARN MORE:
APPLY:

<http://recreation.rutgers.edu/adventurerec/>

<http://recreation.rutgers.edu/adventurerec/student-facilitators/>

CONTACT US

jesse.stratowski@rutgers.edu



Mental Health Committee

Rutgers GSA Comedy Therapy

- The GSA organization is presenting a Comedy Therapy Event via Zoom with special guest, and winner of the 2019 Humanist Award, **Leighann Lord**. This event will happen December 7th, 7:00pm.

- Link to register via Zoom:

https://rutgers.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2Lq5eu_eQ6m9gHkDuX1ySA

- Over 80 people have signed up for the event.

This will count as one field hour for students who attend

THE SSW GSA & THE RUTGERS GSA PRESENT:

COMEDY THERAPY

Special Performance by:

WINNER OF 2019 HUMANIST ARTS AWARD

LEIGHANN LORD

WITH A VARIETY OF OPENING COMICS

Q & A TO FOLLOW
veryfunnylady.com

DECEMBER 7th, 2022
7:00 PM on Zoom

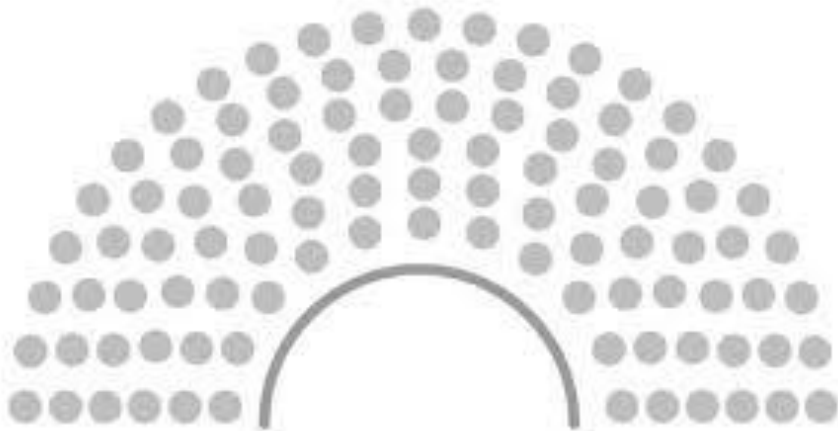
Counts as 1 field hour (with supervisor approval)

QUESTIONS?
EMAIL US AT:
RUTGERSSSWSA@GMAIL.COM

RUTGERS School of Social Work



Senate Updates





DISCORD



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**To join the Rutgers Graduate
Student Association Discord
Server!**

Questions? Email discordmod@gsa.rutgers.edu

Open to all
New Brunswick RU
Graduate Students!

Please share with your
GSO members and at
your GSO events!

[Rutgers GSA Discord Server Link!](https://discord.gg/QGKjYJ62vX) (or) **<https://discord.gg/QGKjYJ62vX>**



Questions? Comments? Announcements from
GSOs