



SOCIETY ELECTIONS POSITIONS: GRADUATE STUDENTS SOCIETY

OPEN POSITIONS

All positions have one (1) vacancy unless otherwise stated.

- President
- Vice President General
- Vice President of Internal Affairs
- Vice President of Events
- Advocacy Coordinator
- Vice President of Communications
- Vice President of Finance

QUALIFICATIONS

In addition to the eligibility requirements outlined in the Society Elections Policy & Procedure and OTSU Bylaws, all candidates must also have the following qualifications:

- Must be enrolled as a Graduate Studies student.
- Additional qualifications may be required for certain positions.

TERM OF OFFICE

Elected positions can serve a maximum of one year, commencing May 1, 2026 to April 30, 2027.

VOTING PROCESS

The Graduate Students Society has adopted a process of Acclaimed positions. Candidates will be notified before the All-Candidates Meeting if their position is acclaimed, in which case, they will not need to proceed with the full election process.

PRESIDENT

Role and Responsibilities

Oversees GSS and the Executive throughout the year. This includes overseeing and running events, chairing Executive meetings, meeting with other groups, coordinating with faculty, administrators, etc. Generally being the main contact person(s) for GSS and coordinating/delegating as necessary to keep everything running efficiently.

VICE PRESIDENT GENERAL

Role and Responsibilities

VP General is the right-hand person for the President and helps with running of events, meetings with other groups, faculty, etc. Generally the VP takes on the main coordination of the GSS events, with help from the rest of the Executive.

VICE PRESIDENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

Role and Responsibilities

This person has a direct link to the international student population at OTU. They are responsible for being up to date on issues and needs that pertain specifically to international students, and relaying these concerns to the GSS.

VICE PRESIDENT OF EVENTS

Role and Responsibilities

This person will handle the organization of all events. This includes booking of rooms, submitting forms, and contacting vendors. Decisions made for events will also be made in collaboration with other VPs.

ADVOCACY COORDINATOR

Role and Responsibilities

This person stays up to date on issues that the graduate student body is facing. They are also responsible for helping to convey information between the student body and the President, so that this information may be passed onto relevant faculty members. They may also sit on relevant faculty councils.

VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATIONS

Role and Responsibilities

This person will monitor all GSS social media accounts. They will also help to prepare content for social media, emails, and other communications.

VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE

Role and Responsibilities

The financial guru of GSS. This role entails being responsible for our yearly budget, keeping detailed records of funds and expenses, and issuing reimbursements.