Graduate Student Assembly
General Meeting

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Message from Office of Graduate Education

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Overview of the Graduate Student Assembly (GSA)

The GSA serves as a **channel to advocate for graduate students** at the University of Texas at Dallas through representation to university departments and organizations, through initiatives that **improve the UT Dallas graduate student experience**, and through events and programming that meet graduate students’ educational, professional, and social needs.
Representing Graduate Students

- Academic Senate & Council
- Graduate Council
- Research Continuity Working Group
- Student Success Working Subgroup
- Living Our Values Task Force
  - nominated a graduate student representative
- New Student Engagement Board
  - nominated a graduate student representative
- Upcoming: Police Oversight Committee, various University-wide committees
  - provide graduate student representative nominee
Past & Ongoing GSA Initiatives

◦ Protecting & supporting international students
◦ Student Health Insurance
  ◦ Survey in spring/summer 2020 with 700+ student respondents
◦ Graduate Student Stipends
  ◦ Survey in spring/summer 2020 with 350+ student respondents
◦ Amplifying Diverse Voices
◦ Fellowship Transparency
Past & Ongoing GSA Initiatives

◦ Graduate Student Buddy System
  ◦ Incoming graduate students matched with current ones to help transition

◦ GSA Alumni Database
  ◦ Recent graduates can ‘opt in’ & provide contact information for current graduate students to reach out with questions about post-graduate school life

◦ ‘Grads of the Month’ featured on GSA social media
  ◦ Application will be available online via GSA eLearning

◦ GSA Outreach
  ◦ FAQ sessions with potential graduate students
  ◦ Creation of GSA website available to both prospective and current students
Get Involved!

Upcoming GSA Events
◦ Diversity in Research Seminar Series
  ◦ In collaboration with the Multicultural Center and Galerstein Gender Center
◦ Graduate Professional Week Event
  ◦ Oct. 5-9, exact date & time for GSA-hosted event to be determined
◦ Charity Raffle (fun prizes!)
  ◦ Donations for the UTD Comet Cupboard
◦ Virtual Social & game nights

Programming Committee
◦ Help Ryan plan the different events GSA provides to graduate students
  ◦ Applications will be available on GSA eLearning
Upcoming Non-GSA Events – Student Counseling Center

ANXIETY TOOLBOX WORKSHOP
Presented by the UTD Student Counseling Center

Anxiety Toolbox is a three-part workshop designed for people struggling with a variety of anxiety-related symptoms. Features include:
- understanding anxiety and how it impacts us
- exploring how thoughts and behaviors affect anxiety
- developing strategies to better cope with anxiety

Wednesdays Sept. 9, 16 & 23
11:00AM-noon
Live on Microsoft Teams

For information about our other services and events, visit student.uta.edu or call 972-883-2025. For crisis support call 972-UTD TALK or 911.

To ask questions about accessibility or request accommodations, please email: ncounseling@uta.edu

GETTING UNSTUCK WORKSHOP
Presented by the UTD Student Counseling Center

Getting Unstuck is a 2-month workshop to increase your understanding and knowledge about depression. Sessions focus on:
- understanding depression
- maintaining new thoughts and behaviors impact emotions
- learning and applying coping strategies to better manage depression

Monday Sept. 14, 21 & 28
3:00-4:00PM
Live on Microsoft Teams

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UT Dallas Student Counseling Center September 2020 Workshops
www.utdallas.edu/counseling/heathrow

LIVE VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS
- Stress Less Workshop, co-hosted with the Career Center
  9/8, 10:00AM-11:00AM, 2pm-3pm
- Social Justice & Mental Health Workshop
  9/16, 10:00AM-11:00AM

VIRTUAL ADVANCED WORKSHOPS
- Getting Unstuck Depression Workshop 9/24, 3-5:30 PM
  led by Dr. Sarah Sloan
- Anxiety Toolbox Workshop 9/24, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

*Contact counseling@uta.edu to email in advance workshops

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Website coming soon!