Invitation Letter – Become a GSA Councillor

Dear Graduate Students,

Are you interested in being a part of the GSA by serving as a Councillor? Many departments are missing one, if not both, GSA representatives. As a Councillor, you contribute directly to the functioning of the GSA, and better assist all graduate students at Carleton. As a Councillor, you will attend monthly Council meetings, act as a liaison between the GSA Executive and your department, and help create and pass motions, events, and initiatives for all graduate students.

Beside your valuable engagement, councillors are eligible for a $20.00 credit per council meeting attended, up to a maximum of $160.00 for both the fall and winter terms. A councillor may use attendance at summer Council meetings (May-August preceding the current Council term) to count toward their attendance. These credits can be claimed, at any time, for departmental events, plans, and activities.

All graduate students who are currently registered with the Faculty of Graduate and Post-doctoral Affairs are eligible to serve as councillors. This includes part-time and graduate diploma students.

Councillor Duties:

GSA Council meets once monthly September-April and at least twice May-August. Councillor terms run from September to August. Councillors are expected to regularly attend these meetings or find a proxy from their department should they be absent. In addition, councillors:

- Report to Council on activities and issues among their constituents.
- Report to their constituents on the activities of GSA Council.
- Serve on at least one GSA committee and/or volunteer for GSA and graduate student events over the fall and winter terms.

For more information on how to become a councillor and what forms need to be filled out and submitted to the GSA Vice-President Operations, please visit our website at https://gsacarleton.ca/nomination-forms-proxies-councillor-credits/.

If you have any questions, comments, concerns, would simply like more information, or would like to check if your department is properly represented, please contact the GSA VPO at vpo@gsacarleton.ca.

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