

UNIVERSITY *of* WASHINGTON

GPSS SENATE MEETING

February 25th, 2026

Attendance!

- > <https://tinyurl.com/gpss14>
- > Word of the Day: Dawgs





Resources

SafeCampus (206-685-7233)

Call SafeCampus anytime to anonymously discuss safety and well-being concerns for yourself or others.

uw.edu/safecampus

Student Technology Loan Program

The Student Technology Loan Program (STLP) is a free, student-led program that supports the academic technology needs of UW Seattle students.

STLP.uw.edu

Childcare Assistance Program

UW Seattle program designed to assist students in covering the costs of licensed childcare for their children (ages birth–12 years old).

tinyurl.com/uw-childcare

UW Food Pantry

The program provides food to students, staff, and faculty who may be experiencing short-term food insecurity.

tinyurl.com/uw-food-pantry





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Call To Order



Approval of the Agenda



- > Sent on Mail and available on GPSS Website <https://tinyurl.com/gpss14>
- > **Total Time:** 61 minutes
- > **Anticipated End Time:** 6:45 pm



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Approval of Minutes

- > Please refer to the Meeting Minutes document of **February 11th, 2026** Senate Meeting
- > **Quick Recap** on GPSS Website





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Land Acknowledgement



Resources for Action

Within UW:

- Get involved with LAB and the WSA! GPSS has advocated for a tuition waiver program for Native American students

- wəłəbʔaltxʷ - UW Intellectual House -

<https://www.washington.edu/diversity/intellectual-house/>

- ASUW American Indian Student Commission (AISC):

<http://aisc.asuw.org>

Community:

- **Native and Strong Lifeline – 988 (option 4)**

The Native and Strong Lifeline is the first program of its kind in the nation dedicated to serving American Indian and Alaska Native people. Operated by Volunteers of America Western Washington, this line is available for people who call the 988 Lifeline and choose option 4. It is specifically for Washington's American Indian and Alaska Native communities. Calls are answered by Native crisis counselors who are tribal members and descendants closely tied to their communities. Native and Strong Lifeline counselors are fully trained in crisis intervention and support, with special emphasis on cultural and traditional practices related to healing.

- **Stand with the Duwamish:**

<https://www.duwamishtribe.org/stand-with-the-duwamish>

- **Real Rent Duwamish:** <https://www.realrentduwamish.org>

Other resources:

Find out whose traditional land you live on with this interactive map: <https://native-land.ca/>

What is the purpose of a land acknowledgement?

<https://retirees.uw.edu/event/from-recognition-to-action-understanding-land-acknowledgments/>

- Article from Patagonia: All Trails Belong to Mother Earth, Following in Indigenous Footsteps on the Ute Pass Trail

[Documentary on "The Rights of Nature: A Global Movement"](#)





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Announcements & Public Comments



GPSS Website

- > Add to calendar
- > All documents uploaded
- > User Research Group
- > www.gpss.uw.edu

The screenshot displays the GPSS website interface. At the top left, the URL 'gpss.uw.edu' is visible. A dark purple banner features the heading 'About GPSS' and a paragraph describing the organization's role in representing over 17,000 graduate and professional students. Below this is a 'LEARN MORE' button with a right-pointing arrow. To the right of the banner is a search bar with a 'Search' button. Underneath the search bar, the 'Upcoming Events' section lists several meetings with dates and times. Below the banner, the 'Upcoming Major Events' section features two entries, each with a photo of a meeting and a 'Continue reading' link. At the bottom right, a 'CONTACT US' section is partially visible, with the text 'Graduate & Professional Student' below it.

About GPSS

The GPSS represents over 17,000 graduate and professional students at the University of Washington. Our Senators represent academic departments as well as non-academic programs and communities. GPSS hosts events and programming, provides opportunities for a wide breadth of engagement through internal committees and university-wide liaison positions, and offers funding for academic and professional development.

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Upcoming Events

- JAN 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
28 Senate Meeting of January 28th, 2026
- FEB 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
4 Executive Committee Meeting of February 4th, 2026
- FEB 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
11 Senate Meeting of February 11th, 2026
- FEB 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
18 Executive Committee Meeting of February 18th, 2026
- FEB 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
25 Senate Meeting of February 25th, 2026

View Calendar

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Graduate & Professional Student

Upcoming Major Events

Senate Meeting of January 28th, 2026

Senate meeting on Wednesday, January 28th from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM in Husky Union Building room 332 and online on Zoom.

[Continue reading](#)

Senate Meeting of February 11th, 2026

Senate meeting on





GPSS Senator Onboarding

- > Ask Program Advisor to send gpssvpadmin@uw.edu an email nominating you as the Senator for your program
- > Get added to the Teams chat
- > Get added to the Senate Email List
- > Take the Senator Onboarding Course





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Senate Food Survey!!
Coming soon 🥰



gpss puppy love



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**Friday, February 27th
1-3 PM HUB 250**

Come hang out with therapy
dogs and grab a care package!
Free & open to all, bring your
friends and share the love!



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STUDENT SENATE

GRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

[CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS]

GPSS is hosting the 2026 Interdisciplinarity graduate research symposium. We are looking for research that is ready to be presented by May 2026 Via a poster board or a three minute thesis presentation.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: March 31st, 2026



MAY 13th, 2026, 12-5pm
HUB South Ballroom 211B

All graduate disciplines are
welcome and encouraged to
apply. Scan the QR code to apply!

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GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE

YOGA CLASS



**Free class &
smoothies!
No experience
necessary**

March 12th, 3-4pm
Studio 316 of the IMA



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RSVP HERE!



Yoga class for all graduate and professional students, relax and recharge with GPSS!
Free smoothie from Dawg Bites included after class! RSVP required

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REQUEST ACCOMMODATIONS EMAIL GPSS@UW.EDU

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DRAG SHOW!!

March 28th

Doors open at 6pm

Performance is from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

At ECC Theatre



UW Arts
and
Crafts
Club for
Grad
Students



**GRAD STUDENT
ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB**

Mondays 5-7pm

Padelford Hall Room C301

Mailing List



Discord



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Ana Mari Cauce Welcome Center – April 8th

Session Information and Questions

- > **Presenter:** Maitri Karia, Vice President of Administration
- > Please refer to document shared on mail
- > UWAA presentation at GPSS Senate on **April 8th, 2026**
- > Share questions now: <https://forms.office.com/r/1bH6kv8vFQ>



The Right To Affordable Parking Information *Resolution*

- > **Sponsor:** Tarik Brown, MJ Mencias, Ryan Wicklund, Riley Talamantes
- > First Reading





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