

UNIVERSITY *of* WASHINGTON

# GPSS SENATE MEETING

April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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# 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://tinyurl.com/uw-food-pantry)





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# Call To Order

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# Approval of the Agenda



- > Sent on Mail and available on GPSS Website <https://tinyurl.com/gpss14>
- > **Total Time:** 96 minutes
- > **Anticipated End Time:** 7:10 pm



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# Approval of Minutes

- > Please refer to the Meeting Minutes document of **March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026** Senate Meeting
- > **Quick Recap** on GPSS Website





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# Land Acknowledgement

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# Resources for Action

## Within UW:

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

- wəłəbʔaltx<sup>w</sup> - 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

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# GPSS Elections Guidelines

- > **Sponsor:** Kylie Jones
- > Please refer to document shared on mail





# GPSS Senator Onboarding

- > Ask Program Advisor to send [gpssvpadmin@uw.edu](mailto: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





# GPSS SharePoint

- > We have finally transitioned from OneDrive to SharePoint
- > Actively gathering user feedback to continuously improve the experience
- > Digital Archiving of documents from previous academic years
- > Organizing content by academic year, with a consistent folder structure for each year
- > [https://uwnetid.sharepoint.com/sites/og\\_gpss](https://uwnetid.sharepoint.com/sites/og_gpss)



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# GPSS Resolution Template

- > 5+ resolutions currently in progress.
- > Include names of relevant authorities for forwarding and collaboration when drafting resolutions.
- > Use the updated *Graduate & Professional Student Senate Resolution Template*
- > Our goal is to ensure resolutions lead to real action, so reach out for help with stakeholders, details, and formatting.





GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL  
STUDENT SENATE

# GRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

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

## [DEADLINE EXTENSION]

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. All graduate disciplines are welcome and encouraged to apply. Link in bio to apply!

**NEW SUBMISSION DEADLINE: April 30th, 2026**

Contact: [gpss@uw.edu](mailto:gpss@uw.edu) The University of Washington is committed to providing access, equal opportunity, and reasonable accommodation in its services, programs, activities, education, and employment for individuals with disabilities. To request disability accommodation, contact the Disability Services Office at least ten days in advance at 206.543.6160 (voice), 206.543.6452 (TTY), 206.685.7264 (fax), or email at [dso@uw.edu](mailto:dso@uw.edu).



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# VOLUNTEER TUTORS

TEACH AND MENTOR  
INCARCERATED YOUTH

*WITH*

**UW GRAD STUDENTS!**

**FREE FOOD**

**04/08 3:30pm • 04/10 12 pm**  
**@ PAB B305**

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**E-STEAM@UW.EDU**

**WWW.E-STEAM.ORG**



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# THE COSMIC *Taps Room*

**DRINKS,  
ASTRONOMY,  
TRIVIA, PRIZES,  
AND FUN!**



**SIRIUS X UW  
ASTRONOMY  
APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> 7PM @  
METIER BREWING  
COMPANY!**

*SIRIUS ASTRONOMY*



# OFF-TOPIC SCHOLARS SOCIETY

## Bi-Weekly Social Hours

Hang out with fellow grad students every other Friday at 5pm in the GPSS lounge



## Monthly Seminars

Sign-up to present, or attend and learn something new from new friends



Sign up and  
learn more:



**UPDATE:** FIRST EVENT IS FRIDAY APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup> AT  
5PM IN THE GPSS LOUNGE

# Student Survey



Student Issues



Library Issues



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# ANA MARI CAUCE WELCOME CENTER



# Student Health Fee Resolution

- > **Sponsor:** Ryan Wicklund, Riley Talamantes, Pavandeep Josan
- > First Reading
- > Please refer to document shared on mail



# Resolution to Withdraw from USSA

- > **Sponsor:** Ryan Wicklund, Annika Peterson
- > First Reading
- > Please refer to document shared on mail



# Resolution in Support of Native American Tuition Waivers

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- > **Sponsor:** Ryan Wicklund, Pavandeep Josan
- > First Reading
- > Please refer to document shared on mail



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