



Graduate Students' Association
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Nominations Close: Monday, February 10th at 12:00pm

GSA General Election Councillor-At-Large Nomination Form

Timeline and Important Dates:

Nominations Open	Monday, January 27th at 12:00PM (noon)
Nominations Close	Monday, February 10th at 12:00PM (noon)
All-Candidates Meeting (mandatory attendance)	Monday, February 10th from 1:00-4:00PM At 1-16 Triffo Hall, FGPS Boardroom
Campaigning Period Opens	Monday, February 10th at 4:00PM
Forum (optional attendance)	Thursday, February 13th from 1:00-3:00PM At 2-100 Council Chambers, University Hall
Voting Opens	Tuesday, February 18th at 10:00AM
Campaigning Period Closes & Voting Closes	Thursday, February 20th at 10:00AM
Provisional Results	Thursday, February 20th at 11:00AM
Deadline for Complaints	Friday, February 21st at 11:00AM (24 hours after Provisional Results)
Official Results	Friday, February 21st at 11:00AM OR 24 hours after Provisional Results and pending resolution of complaints

Checklist for your Application:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Optional: Picture & Bio for the GSA Website (please send to gsaca@ualberta.ca)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nomination Application to hand in to 1-49 Triffo Hall or email to gsacroff@ualberta.ca & gsaca@ualberta.ca (Pages 2-11)



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Please check the following boxes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	I understand that I must attend the All-Candidates Meeting , otherwise I will receive 5 demerits with a maximum of 10 demerits that results in disqualification. The demerit system will be detailed at the All-Candidates Meeting.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I understand that: "If a nomination form is incomplete or late, the CRO or DRO will not accept the nomination form . Candidates cannot appeal this decision." (GSA Bylaw and Policy, Section I.POL.7.4.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have read and understand the GSA Bylaw and Policy document, and agree to abide by GSA Bylaw and Policy on elections procedure and rules , which is posted in full on the GSA website at gsa-ualberta.ca/governance-resources/
<input type="checkbox"/>	By signing below, I am attesting that the information I have provided and checked in this form is accurate. _____ (Print Name) _____ (Signature)

<p>Candidate Legal Name:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Candidate Name for the Ballot: (Legal First Name/Optional Preferred Name/Legal Last Name)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>(Example: John "Johnny" Smith)</p> <p>Position Nominated For:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Candidate Contact Information:</p> <p>Phone Number: _____</p>

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Filing Any Concerns with Bias:

“By signing nomination forms, all candidates acknowledge that they have read and agree to abide by GSA Bylaw and Policy on elections, which is posted in full on the GSA website. By signing nomination forms, candidates also acknowledge that they have read and are aware of the terms of an appeal within the GSA of any decisions on alleged breaches of GSA Bylaw and Policy, including the fact that the Chief Returning Officer (CRO), with advice from the GSA Elections and Referenda Committee (GSA ERC), receives, manages, and rules on complaints regarding alleged breaches of GSA Bylaw or Policy and that the GSA Appeals and Complaints Board (GSA ACB) decides on any appeals. Any concerns with potential bias on the part of the CRO, the Deputy Returning Officer, and members of the GSA ERC in making such decisions, and members of the GSA ACB in making such decisions on appeals, will be filed with nomination forms” (GSA Bylaw and Policy, Section I.POL.7.7).”

“Nomination forms will list the names of the CRO, Deputy Returning Officer, members of the GSA Elections and Referenda Committee, and members of the GSA Appeals and Complaints Board” (GSA Bylaw and Policy, Sections I.POL.7.8 and I.POL.7.8.a).”

Please file below any concerns with bias you might have with the CRO, DRO, GSA ERC members, and GSA ACB members:

CRO DRO Speaker Deputy Speaker Senator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sophie Shi ● None at this time ● Zain Patel ● Amirah Nazir ● Ola Mabrouk
Elections & Referenda Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Elsie Osei ● Md Rakibul Hasan ● Hafiz Asher Muhammad ● Ibrahim Khodabocus ● Jerry Gan ● Kaylee Craplewe ● Amanda Nhi Tran
Appeals & Complaints Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ali Yavari ● Vicky Lin ● Emmanuel Marfo ● Maged Kharouba ● Lisa van Lierop ● Nafisa Sadaf Hriti



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Malik Awan● Wanas Radwan● Andres Dorado Solarte● Zeynep Oyku Ozturk● Md Atikul Islam Nayeem
<p>Do you have any concerns with potential bias on the part of anyone named above in making a decision related to you?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If you responded yes, please list their name(s) below. Reasons must be addressed on a separate sheet.</p> <hr/>	



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GSA CONFIDENTIALITY PRACTICES AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

BETWEEN: THE GRADUATE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA (GSA) -AND-

(Name of Nominee)

The GSA's confidentiality practices are outlined below and can be summarized as follows: information arising in a closed session of GSA Council or a committee, information about identifiable individuals, or information otherwise marked or indicated as confidential, needs to stay that way. Discussions that are off the record or confidential often involve personal information, information on negotiations, business information, or other information of a similar nature.

Jurisdiction: "All GSA Standing Committee members may be requested to sign and abide by confidentiality agreements regarding the information provided or matters discussed at the committee's meetings" (**GSA Bylaw and GSA Policy, Section H.POL.4.3**).

Definition of "Confidential Information"

1. In this agreement "Confidential Information" means any information disclosed or provided by the GSA or obtained independently in the course of my duties with the GSA, including
 - a) "Personal information" as defined in the Alberta *Personal Information Protection Act*, being any information about an identifiable individual;
 - b) Legal advice;
 - c) Information about contractual negotiations or negotiations to resolve disputes;
 - d) Personal information about members of the GSA or their families;
 - e) Banking and financial information;
 - f) Confidential information disclosed by an employee or representative of the University; g) Information discussed in any closed session or meeting; or
 - h) Information that is identified either in writing or verbally as confidential or privileged.

Duties, Obligations and Requirements Related to Confidential Information

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2. I agree that I will familiarize myself with the confidentiality practices of the GSA as noted in this agreement.
3. I understand and agree that all Confidential Information is strictly confidential and may only be collected, used or disclosed in strict accordance with GSA policy and provincial and federal legislation, including the *Personal Information Protection Act*, as amended from time to time.
4. I understand and agree that all Confidential Information belongs to the GSA, and I agree that I will not collect, use or disclose Confidential Information without the GSA's authorization.
5. I agree that I will not collect, use or disclose any Confidential Information, in any manner, or for any purpose that may be detrimental to the GSA, or for a purpose other than that for which the information was collected or received.
6. When my term on the GSA Council, on a GSA Committee, or as a GSA Officer ends, I agree:
 - a. To deliver promptly to the GSA all original documents, materials, and copies of Confidential Information, including electronic files; and
 - b. To destroy all material constructed from confidential information, including electronic files.
7. I agree to guard Confidential Information by making my best effort to prevent any unauthorized access to, or use or disclosure of, Confidential Information.
8. I agree that I will not tamper with, destroy, falsify or otherwise improperly deal with any GSA records or files of any kind whatsoever;
9. I acknowledge and agree that I am aware of, and will comply with, the tenets outlined in the GSA's *Personal Information Sharing Agreement* with the University of Alberta;
10. I agree that if a situation arises where I am unsure of the appropriate action when working with Confidential Information, I will immediately seek direction from the GSA Board;
11. I understand and agree that my confidentiality obligations under this Agreement will survive and continue after the end of my term with the GSA.
12. I understand and agree that if I inadvertently or otherwise breach this Agreement, I will immediately notify the GSA and use best efforts to mitigate the effect of the breach.
13. I understand and agree that, should I contravene this Agreement, the GSA Board will make a determination regarding how to proceed, and the GSA reserves the right to take disciplinary or legal action.



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Printed Name of Member

Printed Name of Witness

Signature of Member

Signature of Witness

Date (Day/Month/Year)

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RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY
AGREEMENT {"Video Recording Waiver"}

WARNING: BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT **YOU** WILL WAIVE CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS,
INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE, CLAIM DAMAGES, AND SEEK COMPENSATION.

In consideration for the opportunity to publicize the Candidate's candidacy and election platform in the upcoming General Election and Election of the Associate Vice-President Labour of the Graduate Students' Association ("GSA") of the University of Alberta.

The GSA offers all Directly-Elected Officer Candidates, Associate Vice-President Labour Candidates, and Councillor-at-Large Candidates the opportunity to participate in the GSA General Election and Election of the Associate Vice-President Labour All-Candidates Meeting (the "ACM") and Forum (the "Forum"). The GSA intends to record and live stream the ACM and Forum on various online platforms. Upon executing this Agreement, the Candidate consents to the recording (image and voice) of the ACM and Forum ("the Video Records") for the purpose of posting the ACM and Forum on various online platforms. The term "Video Records" shall include, but is not limited to, the recording processes, the posting of the Video Records to any online platforms, and the posting of comments by any person on that site in respect of the Video Records.

The All-Candidates Meeting and Forum are broadcast events. The failure or refusal of any Candidate to execute this Agreement shall result in that Candidate's ineligibility to participate in the ACM and Forum and the Video Records. As the ACM and Forum are mandatory events, this will make the Candidate ineligible to participate in the election.

This document is to be signed by a Candidate in order to participate in the Video Records and GSA General Election and Election of the Vice-President Labour ACM and Forum:

I, _____, a Candidate in the GSA General Election and Election of the Associate Vice-President Labour, am aware that the GSA intends to record the All-Candidates Meeting and Forum for distribution and/or posting on various online platforms, and that such activity is subject to mishap (e.g. audio quality). I understand that this involves inherent risks, involving all manner of loss or damage, including, but not limited to:

(a) the use of equipment (including recording equipment), materials or facilities related to the Video Records;

(b) the actions or negligence of myself, other Candidates, other participants, or third parties in the

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Video Records, including but not limited to commentary regarding the Video Records;

- (c) the actions or negligence of both the GSA or the University of Alberta as organizer and operator of the Recorded ACM and Forum, or any of their elected officials, officers, employees, volunteers, agents, invitees, or representatives of any kind, as the case may be; or
- (d) any additional risks arising out of the Video Records and related events and activities.

I, the undersigned Candidate, freely accept and assume all such risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of any loss, damage, or expense resulting to me.

I, the undersigned Candidate, hereby agree as follows:

- (a) **To CONSENT** to the collection, use and disclosure of my personal information as may be reasonably acquired by both the GSA and the University of Alberta as operator of the Recorded ACM and Forum, or any of their elected officials, officers, employees, volunteers, agents, invitees, or representatives of any kind (collectively referred to as the "Organizer") in the Video Records pursuant to the *Personal Information Protection Act*, S.A.2003, c. P-6.5, and the *Personal Information Protection Act Regulation*, A.R. 366/2003, insofar as the same may be applicable, for the purpose of posting the Video Records of the ACM and Forum on online platforms;
- (b) **To WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS** of every nature and kind at law or equity or under any statute that I have or may have in the future against the Organizer, including but not limited to any moral rights to the Video Records, claims of defamation, invasion of privacy, or moral rights or rights of publicity or copyright infringement;
- (c) **To WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS** of every nature and kind at law or equity or under any statute that I have or may have in the future to inspect or approve the images, sounds, recordings or written content of the Video Records and posting to online platforms;
- (d) **To RELEASE THE ORGANIZER** from any and all liability for any loss, damage or expense that I may suffer or that my respective next of kin or legal representatives may suffer as a result of participation in the Video Records, due to any cause whatsoever, including but not limited to negligence on the part of the Organizer and comments posted by any person, and any distortion, blurring, alteration, illusion or use that may occur or be produced in taking, processing, reducing, producing or posting of the Video Records;
- (e) **To HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY** the Organizer from any and all liability for any loss, damage or expense to any third party or other financial loss or expense, including legal expenses and costs on a solicitor-and-his- own-client full indemnity basis, as a result of my participation in



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the Video Records; and

(f) **THAT THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE EFFECTIVE AND BINDING UPON** me and my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and assigns in the event of any loss or damage to me.

I, the undersigned Candidate, acknowledge that I:

- (a) In executing this Agreement have not been influenced or coerced to any extent whatsoever by any representations, statements or conduct of any description on part of the Organizer or anyone on its behalf;
- (b) Have carefully read this Agreement and do fully understand the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and voluntarily accept the same; and
- (c) Have had the opportunity to seek independent legal advice and other professional advice prior to executing this Agreement and have either:
 - (i) Obtained such independent legal or other professional advice; or
 - (ii) Waived the right to obtain such independent legal or other professional advice.

In witness whereof, the Candidate has duly executed this Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, and Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement in the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta.

Candidate Signature	
Candidate Name (Please Print)	
Date	

Witness Signature	
Witness Name (Please Print)	
Date	



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To be submitted to the GSA Office no later than 12:00pm on Monday, February 10, 2025, to be reviewed and signed by the CRO or DRO (GSA Bylaw and Policy, Section I.POL.7.4)

To be completed by the GSA Office:

Nomination received at the GSA Office by _____

(GSA Staff Member - Please Print) at _____ AM/PM on this _____ day of _____, in the year 2025.

Verified by the CRO or DRO:

(Print Name)

(Signature)

(Date)

“Once the CRO verifies nomination forms, the names of candidates who have submitted their nomination forms will be listed on the GSA website at the same time and alphabetically by 4:00 PM the day the nomination period closes.” (GSA Bylaw and Policy, Section I.POL.7.6).

Your patience is appreciated in this process.



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Why become a CAL?

- Representation of and advocacy for the betterment of graduate student experiences! Be a strong voice for your fellow students.
- Have your say and make a real difference in your university community.
- Gain some leadership, advocacy and volunteer experience, network with peers, and have a direct influence on the policies that affect the graduate student experience.

Position Description:

- Councillors-At-Large (CALs) are GSA members elected annually to sit on GSA Council as voting members - their terms run from May 1st to April 30th of the following year
- Their duties include attending all GSA Council meetings (once monthly - please see meeting list on our website here: <https://gsa-ualberta.ca/get-involved/governance/gsa-council/>) and lend their voice to Council to advocate for graduate students
- They are required to ensure that the GSA Office and GSA Council Speaker are kept up to date with their names, departmental addresses and contact information
- If a CAL cannot attend a meeting, they must let the GSA Office and Speaker know. If they do not do so and miss either two consecutive meetings or three in total without contacting the GSA, they may be replaced.