



MINUTES  
**General Assembly Meeting**

Thursday, October 5, 2023  
SOEB 120  
4:00-5:00 pm

### **Agenda Overview and Attendance**

#### **Welcome Message from our President**

- Graduate Council met; what do they want from student leaders; how can concerns be relayed; curriculum committee chair asked to student to sit on committee; policies or hurdles with grad education; then come to gsa to be changed;
- Archival project to work through past GSA projects

#### **Laura Drew, Graduate School Administrative Assistant**

- Weekly work group; most groups meet virtually, one group meets in-person; email Laura to get on the Canvas list
- Fall break writing bash; meeting viturally; email Laura for the link
- Works with student/professional development aspect
- 3 Minute Thesis; explaining your thesis/dissertation in 3 minutes and 1 slide; prize for 1-2-3; registration ends Oct. 16; find more information [here](#):
- Research expo in the spring; save the date for 4/4/2024; registration info to come out in spring semester
- Winter writing groups in December and January; more info to come
- Writing Center has an Advanced Writing Group
- **EMAIL: [ladrew@uncg.edu](mailto:ladrew@uncg.edu)**

#### **Safety Presentation, Public Safety Department**

- UNCG [police](#)
- Behavior Assessment Team (BAT); takes reported info and evaluate as a team; takes into consideration background of person; assess to see best way to help an individual
- Spartan Safe App; [spartansafe.uncg.edu](http://spartansafe.uncg.edu)
  - o [Stay prepared](#)
  - o Run, Hide, Fight training is about 1.5 hours and available to take if interested
- Offers other trainings; looking to add a de-escalation course
- Department specific trainings about how to respond in your building
- Campus safety training

## **Committee Reports**

### *- Programming*

First meeting is Oct. 17 to discuss events for the year and jump start on Graduate Student Appreciation Week (GSAW) in the spring

### *- Finance*

Window opens at 8 am tomorrow; closes at 5 pm on Oct. 20; email Brooks at [gsavpfin@uncg.edu](mailto:gsavpfin@uncg.edu) with questions; will review applications at the close of the window

### *- Student Engagement*

Semester goal: Focusing on how to connect departments across campus; networking with others, and increasing communication; if interested, please contact Ashley at [gsavppub@uncg.edu](mailto:gsavppub@uncg.edu)

- [AAUP](#) hired an outside auditor; GSA rep is there taking notes; will share when we receive; the audit was an independent audit funded by AAUP to see UNCG's financials

## **Updates from University Tuition & Fees Committee, Terry Chavis**

- The University Tuition and Fees Committee has proposed increasing tuition and fees for graduate students
- After some GSA students expressed concerns, the committee agreed to hold a forum.
- Proposed a virtual and in-person forum for **Tuesday, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-5:00pm in room 114** and **Wednesday, Oct. 18th (virtually), also 4:00-5:00pm**.