**Your 2021 SOE Graduate Student Council (GSC) Representative:**

**KeAysia Jackson** (kjack042@gmail.com), School Psychology program

Please contact KeAysia about any questions/concerns that you would like her to relay to the Graduate Student Association.

**Graduate students from all departments are encouraged to reach out to GSA with their questions and concerns. Graduate students can use this anonymous form for comments, questions, concerns, and suggestions for GSA**: <https://forms.gle/Lem1HxeYJVVHQNUX9>

**GSC Meeting Notes 10/06/21** :

* No major voting other than to approve 2020-2021 budget
* UAW Rally to stop redlining at UCR: Last year, the President of the UC system, Michael Drake, instructed the Riverside campus to cut its budget by 8.2%. This cut comes on top of a decades-long history of underfunding UCR and UC Merced, the UC's two majority-minority campuses. UC Riverside serves many low-income, POC, & 1st-gen students, yet remains underfunded. Classes face high TA-student ratios, and we often lose scholars to better-funded schools. There is a rally happening Wednesday 10/13 at the Bear Tower to stop redlining at Ucr. Sign up here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSew7SwyT3tx_j3BsugxxDMroWikjTdNUwM6cXuuVG__TzRhIg/viewform>
* UAW also wants feedback from graduate students on key issue areas that they would like to see improved in GSR and TA contracts, survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PMTLFVF>
* Unionizing: over 12,000 gsrs have signed union authorization cards, but fellows and trainees are not recognized as having unions because they are not seen as “employees”.

 Fight for Recognition video: <https://vimeo.com/623604212>

 Recognition Resolution FAQs: <https://studentresearchersunited.org/sr-recognition-resolution-faq/>

**Opportunities to Get Involved:**

**GradSuccess Fall 2021 Wellness Events:**

-Coffee Socials on Wednesdays from 3-4pm, September 29th-Dec 1st in the Life Sciences Courtyard

-Virtual Game Nights on Tuesday, Oct 12 and Thursday, Nov 18 on Zoom from 6-8

-Virtual Art Night on Tuesday, Oct 26 from 6-8pm on zoom

Flyer is attached

**GradQuant**

Drop in and Consultation hours: Wednesdays from 12-2pm,

Hacky Hours: Mondays from 10-12pm

Flyer Attached

**Digital writer’s room is back!** Wednesdays 1-3pm

Flyer Attached

**Fall 2021 Workshops-Flyer attached**

**International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) program** workshop on Tuesday, Oct 12. Register here:<https://ssrc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEldemqrzItGtccYsWvvIeXAEMLuxjATKT->

More information in the flyer

**Scicomm:** Campus-wide competition about your research, first place winners will receive up to $1000-<https://scicomm.ucr.edu/scicommucr-student-multimedia-science-communication-competition>

**UC Big Ideas Contest:** Prestigious UC-wide contest; you can earn up to 20,000 dollars in funding, for grads or undergrads, early stage innovation competition

Due November 18 @ 1pm pst

UC Big Ideas Contest Info: https://linktr.ee/ucr\_bigideascontest

Big Ideas liaison contact info: <https://calendly.com/ankita_ahluwalia_ucr/> ,

aahlu004@ucr.edu

**UCGPC Graduate Summit**, Oct 16 at 9 am: All graduate students are encouraged to attend, especially if you are a student leader: <https://www.ucgpc.org/graduate-summit> (Pat Ordonez-Kim, VPEA)

Link to register: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfSM17r1jyICX2oErNtIKd7GLv2hmwkD1jyFD9xtVTvdVZPng/viewform>

* + 1. Potential topics: Climate Change, Housing Affordability/Security, Cybersecurity/Personal Privacy Protections, Childcare, Civic Engagement, Food Security, Return to Campus safety, Transportation, Policing

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