



The GSS Graduate Community Service Award Application

The GSS shall institute the annual awarding of the GSS Graduate Community Award (\$500) to honor a graduate student who, through his or her exemplary service, has made a significant contribution to intellectual, cultural, and professional capital of the graduate student community at the University of Connecticut.

Eligibility:

Award candidates must:

- Be enrolled in a graduate-degree granting program at the University
- Be in good academic standing
- Have completed at least one full year of study at the University at the time of awarding

Individuals ineligible to receive the award shall include:

- Current executive officers of the GSS
- Current Service Award Committee members
- The Graduate Student Representative of the Board of Trustees
- Past award recipients

Preference for the award shall be given to:

- Past award recipients
- Nominees whose service to the entire graduate community was primarily uncompensated and/or voluntary in nature

Nomination Process:

Nominations are open from **March 2nd to March 12th, 2021**. Please click here for a link to the application. Nominations may be submitted by graduate students, faculty, or staff of the University. Self-nominations will not be considered by the award committee. Please email completed applications to Gabrielle, the award committee chair at GSSCommDir@uconn.edu. Please make the subject line of the email "GSS Service Award Application for (nominee's name)."

Ineligible candidates:

GSS Executive Board (2020-2021)

Nafis Fuad, President
Maggie Khuu, Vice President
Deepa Shukla, Treasurer
Gabrielle Corso, Communications Director
Rebecca Oramas, Activities Director
Irio Schiano, Parliamentarian

Graduate Student BOT Representative

Justin Fang

Service Award Committee

Gabrielle Corso, Chair (MCB)
Daniel Pfeiffer (English)
Taylor Tate (Philosophy)
Mikayla Moody (Biomedical Eng.)
Tanu Mehta (Pharmacy)

Application

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Nominee Information

Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Department: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Year in program: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Degree Program (eg. M.A. or Ph.D.): [Click here to enter text.](#)
Email: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Applicant Information

Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Please check the best that applies: Faculty Staff Student
Department: [Click here to enter text.](#)
Email: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Questions

In what capacity do you know nominee? [Click here to enter text.](#)

What is the nature of the nominee's exemplary service? [Click here to enter text.](#)

Nomination Letter / Letter of Support

Please attach a 1-2 page letter answering the following questions:

- How has the nominee made a significant contribution to the intellectual, cultural, and/or professional capital of the University of Connecticut community?
- What is the character of the nominee and how are they an example to other graduate students?
- For each set of contributions, to the best of your knowledge, comment on whether the service work was uncompensated and/or voluntary.

Supplemental Documents

Feel free to attach any other relevant documents that you feel will be useful to our evaluations of the nominee.