

# RECOMMENDATION RESULTS AND SUMMARY OF COMMENTS

Council on Student Affairs and Fees | March 11, 2022

Graduate Student Association (GSA) Fee

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## Quorum Met

Per the Council on Student Affairs and Fees Bylaws: *Voting on issues associated with CPI for fees must have a quorum, defined as half the voting membership, rounded up to the nearest number.*

Total Graduate Voting Members: **2**

In Attendance: **2**

Quorum was met at **100%** attendance

## GSA Fee CPI Recommendation

Per the Council on Student Affairs and Fees Bylaws:

- *Recommendations for CPI adjustments on Campus Based Fees must pass by **66%**, rounded to the nearest number.*
- *Only Graduate & Professional student members will make recommendations on GSA Fee CPI adjustment.*

## Graduate Student Association (GSA) Fee

Number of Voters:	2
Number Needed to Make Recommendation:	2
<b>Ballot Results YES:</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Ballot Results NO:</b>	<b>0</b>

**RESULTS: COSAF recommends a CPI adjustment to the GSA Fee in 2022-23**

Action Item #2022-015

## Council Comments

I vote yes to the CPI adjustment for the GSA fee. GSA is the one and only organization for graduate students on campus. They provide vital services such as orientation events, social events, and other wellness activities throughout the academic years. Their website and weekly announcement provide accessible means for graduate students to navigate resources available for bettering their work and living in Davis. Thanks for doing all the great work, GSA!

This fee provides direct funding to support and services to graduate students. GSA clarified that a CPI adjustment is needed. Further, GSA has shown significant student involvement in the administration of funds from this fee. I commend GSA for being good custodians of this money in past years. This year, GSA should consider measures to provide a balanced budget, though I understand COVID has changed and strained some programming. GSA should publicly track spending (monthly?) and make budgets vs actuals available online to all grad students paying this fee. GSA should provide a balanced budget every year (though I understand that this year might be an exception when drawing from reserves is appropriate). GSA should consider ways to augment some programming, such as yoga that isn't accessible to people with different mobility needs, so everyone in our community has access "wellness" programming.