



UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
GRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

General Assembly Meeting

December 3, 2025

12 -1pm

In person: Gatton Student Center – 330AB
Remote: <https://uky.zoom.us/j/83364843952>

- 1. Opening Remarks**
- 2. Call to Order** (President: Edward Olajide)
- 3. Roll Call** (Secretary: Chowdhury Azimul Haque)
 - a. Attendance



- 4. Guest Speaker – Center for Support and Intervention, University of Kentucky**
 - The presentation slide will be shared
- 5. Executive Board Reports** (as applicable)
 - a. President & Vice President**
 - i. Friendsgiving Update
 - ii. Professional Headshot (free)
 - December 17, 9:30 to 11:30am, Lexmark Room (main building, 2nd floor)
 - iii. Appreciating Representatives/Volunteers
 - 5 \$100 stipends for individuals based on their contributions to GSC this semester.
 - Form for nominations will be opening later this week.
 - iv. Spring Semester Meetings
 - Wednesdays at 12pm (third Weds of the month except March 2026)
 - v. Postdoc Affairs Officer
 - Dr. Jessica Bills (Department of Biology)
 - b. Vice President** (Maisy Webster)
 - i. Grad Student Breakfast
 - Weds 12/10/2025, from 8:30am-11:00am in Alumni Gallery at WT Young Library (Main Library)
 - Coffee, bagels, and donuts provided!
 - ii. Event Planning

- As discussed in the last meeting, we have been working to reallocate our budget based on the priority area of material resources for grad students.
- Money has been reallocated to committees. If you have ideas for events or ways to get resources to grad students, talk with your committee chair and then reach out to Edward and Maisy for help with implementing.
- Continue to use the [Event Proposal application in BBNvolved](#) to submit requests.

c. Chief of Staff and Operations (Deepti Adhikari)

- i. Committee Reports and Attendance
 - Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs should remember sending in their reports
- ii. Professional student affairs committee
 - Interest in surveying professional students and hosting an event in the spring

6. Committee Reports (as applicable) – **Chair/Co-Chairs**

a. Mental Health and Wellbeing (Eyitayo Akomolafe and Shabnam Ghorbani)

- i. Proposed spring semester events
 - Proposed spring semester events: hot chocolate social, paint & sip (nonalcoholic), yoga, chair massage

b. Institutional Research (Megan Hall)

- i. Focusing on analyzing Spring 2024 Report (**Volunteers needed**):
 - Identify strategic plans

c. Institutional Advocacy (Megan Hall)

- i. Fall 2025 regalia closet update
 - Applications are now closed. We will be providing regalia to 26 master's students who are graduating this month

d. External Affairs (Adrianne Caudill and Olivia Koshute)

- i. Proposed spring semester event
 - Proposed spring semester event: Hill Day in Frankfort being planned for early February, more information to come.

7. Open Floor/Discussions

- From GSC advisors: Download the SafeZone app if you haven't already for information about weather-related campus closures, etc.
- If you have any pending questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to any member of the Executive Board for assistance.

8. Meeting Close

- Congratulations to all graduands at the forthcoming Commencement, December 19, 2025
- Hopefully we will see you all at the Grad Student Breakfast, Dec 10
- Happy holidays!

Prepared by: Maisy Webster (Vice President)



grad student breakfast!

**Weds 12/10
8:30-11:00am**

**Alumni Gallery,
WT Young Library**



FREE!

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Stop by to fuel up for the end of the semester

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Assistant Director of Graduate/Professional
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SEPTEMBER 24	1-2 PM EST	CAREERS IN GOVERNMENT
OCTOBER 8	1-2 PM EST	CAREERS IN NON-PROFIT
OCTOBER 22	1-2 PM EST	CAREERS IN CONSULTING
NOVEMBER 5	1-2 PM EST	CAREERS IN RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT
NOVEMBER 19	1-2 PM EST	CAREERS IN WRITING & PUBLISHING
DECEMBER 3	1-2 PM EST	CAREERS IN EDUCATION

ALL WORKSHOPS ON ZOOM:
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