

University of Denver  
Graduate Student Association Council (GSAC)  
Graduate Student Activity Fee Guidelines

GSAC recommends that graduate student activity fees be used for activities, which enhance the educational experience of the graduate students at the University of Denver. These activities may include:

- Funding to graduate student organizations as designated by each GSA's Bylaws.
- Conference and/or research funding will be designated by each GSA's Bylaws.
- Events shall be
  - Educational enrichment activities: such as, dialogues and brown bag events that engages students in discussions relating to their respective fields of study.
  - Guest speakers: each GSA may invite speaker(s) appropriately related to their field of study for academic (i.e. lectures) and non-academic (i.e. licensure and career services) topics. Graduate student activity fees may cover transportation, lodging, food, and honorarium costs.
  - Award events: may include awarding for academic and professional scholarships, university service, and publications. Awards may be in the form of certificates and plaques.
  - Graduation activities: may include celebrations, receptions, and academic, professional, and university service awards to the graduating students. Awards may be in the form of certificates and plaques.
  - Social events: may include, events welcoming students at the beginning of the school year and quarterly events. Graduate student activity fees may cover fees for reserving location of event, food, and beverages at GSA-sponsored social events.
- Alcohol is not recommended, but may be served at the discretion of the GSA in accordance with policies of the University of Denver's Office of Risk Management and the Office of Campus Safety. Please see the *GSAC Alcohol Guidelines* for more information.
- Administrative costs: may include, office supplies and meeting refreshments (i.e., food and beverages) purchased and used by the GSA.

Graduate student activity fees shall be received and utilized by GSAC recognized GSAs only. No other association/organization and/or graduate unit is allowed to receive and/or utilize graduate student activity fees without the consent of GSAC and the respective GSA.

*For items not mentioned above, please use student activity fees at each GSA's discretion while keeping them within the framework of the respective GSA's Constitution and Bylaws. Please inform GSAC of those expenditures that do not fit into the above guidelines so they could be considered for inclusion in GSAC's Graduate Student Activity Fee Guidelines.*