Rice Graduate Student Association

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Our goal: to make the Rice graduate experience as fulfilling as possible.
The 2018-2019 GSA Cabinet!
Introduction to the 2018-2019 GSA Executive Board

• **President, Jason**  
  - General manager and face of the GSA  
  - gsapres@rice.edu

• **VP of Student Advocacy, Yu Seon**  
  - Main advocate on graduate student wellbeing, safety, etc.  
  - gsaadvocacy@rice.edu

• **VP of Community Engagement, Hannah**  
  - Event planner and head of social programming  
  - gsaengagement@rice.edu
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- **VP of Student Development, Thasneem**
  - Head of professional development, alumni relations
  - gsadevelopment@rice.edu

- **VP of Administration, Madeline**
  - Administrator and head of communications/social media
  - gsa@rice.edu

- **VP of Finance, Aravind**
  - Treasurer and overseer of graduate student grants/loans
  - gsafinance@rice.edu

- **Parliamentarian, Josh**
  - Manager of GSA constitution and Director training
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Career/Professional Development
- Soft skills training - career prep for graduates
- Informal networking events - connecting local alumni with current graduate students
How do I connect with graduate students?

• Advertise to graduate students in the **GSA Weekly Announcements**

• Attend or speak at our **GSA Council Meetings!**
  – Town halls on issues relevant to graduate students
  – On the 3rd Tuesday of every month
  – Free dinner!

• Collaborate with us on **social/professional programming!**
  – VP of Community Engagement, Hannah Pearce
    ([gsaengagement@rice.edu](mailto:gsaengagement@rice.edu))
  – VP of Student Development, Thasneem Frousnoon
    ([gsadevelopment@rice.edu](mailto:gsadevelopment@rice.edu))
How do I connect with graduate students?

Want a graduate student perspective? Contact us at gsa@rice.edu.

• We can connect you with:
  – Department-specific graduate representatives
  – Graduate representatives on GSA/University Committees
  – GSA leaders
Questions or Comments?

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