

What the GSC can help with:

Potential issues that can be brought to GSC - A list made with the help of EPS/ESE graduate student representatives

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- Advice on course requirements/which courses are approved
- Worries about graduation timeline
- General academic workload/work-life balance expectations
- Any issue related to relationship or communication with advisor, other faculty or other students. Please note that GSC members are mandatory reporters with regard to Title IX issues, see more [here](#).
- During both your qualifying exam and defense, a GSC representative will be assigned to sit on your committee. Their role is to run the meeting and make sure standards are uniform across different disciplines in the department.
- The GSC will host a town hall once per year, and meet with student representatives as needed, to provide a space for graduate students to voice comments/questions about department life, and to provide information about changes occurring within the department or important events.

During exceptional times, as we are experiencing in the current pandemic, we appreciate that changes to working environments and resource access may lessen productivity. We encourage students and faculty to be communicative about both changing expectations and what could be done to enable your highest level of research.