

Graduate Student Government Vice President Application

The Vice President shall serve a term of one calendar year starting January and lasting until December. Applicants should not apply if graduating before December.

GSG applicants must be in good disciplinary and academic standing with the Graduate School

The Vice President must be able to attend meetings held on Creighton University campus.

The Vice President will receive a stipend for their service to the GSG.

The Graduate Student Government is made up of the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, CSU Representative, Service Chair, Social Chair, and Student Life Chair.

Below are the duties and responsibilities of the GSG Vice President and executives.

The GSG Vice President shall:

1. Assume the duties of the President in his/her absence.
2. Assume duties assigned by the President.
3. Assist the President in his/her duties.
4. Chair the Election Committee unless seeking a different position on the Executive Board
 - a. Inform students about all upcoming elections.
 - b. Obtain results and announce new executives and committee chairs.
 - c. Prepare congratulatory letters for new executives and new committee chairs.
 - d. Aid in any other elections that may arise.
 - e. Inform the Executive Board of the names and contact information of new executives and new committee chairs.
5. Serve as liaison to the GSG Committees and attend the monthly meetings held by GSG committees when possible.
6. Provide for continuity of programs and activities.

All GSG executives (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, CSU Representative) shall:

1. Attend all Executive Board and All Member meetings as called by the President.
 - a. Executives shall not be absent from more than one executive board meetings and one GSG meeting per semester.
2. Each executive will be required to respond to all GSG matters either by phone, email or in person in a timely manner.
3. Support the events, activities, and traditions of the students and the university through participation and attendance.
4. Attend GSG sponsored events
 - a. Executives excessively absent from GSG events will be subject to disciplinary action at the discretion of the President and the GSG Moderator.
5. Represent the concerns and interests of the graduate student body.

6. Form ad-hoc committees to deal with specific issues.
7. Uphold the mission of Creighton University and advocate for the rights of graduate students.
8. Propose resolutions and acts for the GSG.

For information about GSG, please read the GSG Constitution found at:
<https://www.creighton.edu/gradschool/currentstudentinfo/gsg/documents/>

PLEASE NOTE: THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION PROVIDED WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO OTHER GRADUATE STUDENTS ON THE GSG WEBSITE AND ON THE ELECTION BALLOT

Name: Caitlin Buchheit

Net ID (this will not be made available to other students):

Program: Master's in Health Care Ethics

When did you begin graduate school at Creighton? Summer 2017

Why would you be a good candidate for this position?

Creighton University has long stood for Catholic values, community involvement, and the advancement of humanity on an individual and societal scale. As a microcosm of those qualities, the Graduate School serves its students by defining and encouraging their vocation in personal, professional and spiritual life. If elected to the GSG, I will strive to advance this mission by extending Creighton's values to all students, but in particular, to online students. As an online student myself, with a full-time job, I understand the difficulty of assimilating into a community which is geographically distant. I will strive to fill this gap through technology, a focus on professional development and networking, and by regularly seeking the input of the larger graduate community. It is my sincere hope to serve as your Vice President, and I humbly thank you for your consideration.

What experience or qualifications do you possess that would help you serve in this position?

My professional experience in federal contracting and military medicine has taught me the beauty of engaging with individuals of different contexts, thus enabling me to appreciate the many perspectives this world has to offer. My experience has also taught me how to work remotely with colleagues all over the country. I have demonstrated my ability to engage via technology, adjusting communications and goals to match the practical barriers of distance and time zones. I hope to apply these skills to the Creighton graduate community.

List potential goals and ideas for the position:

- Identify and overcome practical barriers to online student involvement in the Creighton community
- Increase professional development and networking opportunities available to online and on-campus graduate students
- Continuously seek out and incorporate student input

Besides graduate coursework, what other time commitments do you have (jobs, organizations, committees, etc.)?

I hold a full-time job, I am an online student, and I am involved in my local parish community. I am confident in my ability to dedicate sufficient time to the GSG while keeping up on my other commitments.

If elected, I understand and accept the duties of the office. Also I understand that my application will be made available online to all Graduate School students.

Caitlin E. Buchheit _____
Signature

November 3, 2017 _____
Date

Please return this form to the President of GSG.