

Fall 2026 Graduate Student Society New Student Orientation



What is the GSS

- The Graduate Student Society is YOUR representative student body on campus
- Board of Governors, Senate, Grad Council, Student Senate Caucus
- Faculty and Departmental Reps
- Bus Pass UPass, Food Pantry, GSS Awards
- Supplemental Benefits Plan
- Student Advocacy + Clubs and Social Events Coordinator

All information about how the GSS serves it's nearly 3000 members can be found on our website.





ABOUT US

WHAT'S HAPPENING

PROGRAMS

SERVICES

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RESOURCES

CONTACT US

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WELCOME TO GSS!

I am looking for...



PROGRAMS

Learn more about programs offered by GSS to its members and the community, inclusive of the services and events within each



SERVICES

Detailed information on services offered by GSS, related member entitlements, and how members may access or request services



EVENTS

Comprehensive information on GSS events, including the time, place, invitees, media gallery, surveys and more



ADVOCACY

Learn about advocacy services for students challenged by the University for social, legal or academic issues

Latest News and Events

VIEW ALL -



07 January 2022 by Nupur, in News, Services

U-Pass Opt-in Program Update for Summer 2022

The Summer 2022 Universal Bus Pass (UPass) Opt-in program will not be offered. A...

READ MORE +

GSS Student Advocate

Come see me before you hit the
iceberg!
advocate@uwindsorgss.ca

The University's **Student Code of Conduct** provides that:

- All students are expected to commit to a code of behaviour based on dignity and individuality and respect for the rights and property of others.
- That a high standard of conduct is expected of students at the University of Windsor, as exemplified by responsible behaviour with respect to personal and academic commitments and respect for differences.

NOTE: Students are presumed to know these policies and are responsible for familiarizing themselves with them.

Student Code of Conduct

Bylaw 31: Academic Integrity (includes Non-Academic conduct)

Bylaw 32: Procedural Irregularities and Discrimination
Regarding Academic Instruction, Academic Evaluation and
Academic Grade Appeals

Student Advocate

The Office of the Student Advocate was created to represent students and provided assistance for academic and non-academic issues.

- Academic integrity
 - Cheating on an exam or plagiarism are two of the major issues student encounter
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 - Harassment, breach of the Student Code of Conduct
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GSS VS ISC

Insurance Coverage

Both plans are provided by Green Shield Canada (GSC) but as international students you have TWO plans while a student at UWindsor.



GSS Supplemental Benefits Plan



- Prescription Drugs
- Hearing Care
- Orthotics
- Chiropractor
- Registered Massage Therapist
- Physiotherapist
- Psychologist
- Vision

Subscriber Number

Your Subscriber number for the GSS Green Shield Benefits Plan is: WGS followed by your student number for single coverage. (Example: WGS123456789-00).

Subscriber Card

There is no physical plastic card remitted to plan subscribers from Green Shield Canada for this program.

Transit Windsor Universal Bus Pass



New UPass Program | UPDATES

All students are automatically enrolled for the Fall and Winter semesters unless they opt-out (subject to opt-out conditions).

The new program has gone digital. Students can download the UMO app and load their UPass code to ride the bus.

Students are NO longer required to have their student ID on them when using the bus pass.

Transit Windsor Universal Bus Pass

- **Card Activation:**
 - a. Starts September 1st
- **Card Valid:**
 - a. 8 months
- **Cost:**
 - a. Auto Charged to your Student Account
- **Opt-out**
 - a. Only IF you qualify can you opt-out

Website

www.uwindsorgss.ca/services/upass/

- Summer semester is an **optional** opt-in program
- Fall+Winter program is automatically charged to your student account and the code sent to you.
- A new GSS Student portal is being launched to access your code. But a mass email will be sent with the code.

International Student Identity Card (ISIC)



www.uwindsorgss.ca/services/isic/

How to get your card

How Members can obtain their virtual card

1. Go to <http://www.isiccanada.ca/cfsfcee>
2. Click on Virtual ISIC Card
3. Please fill in all information
4. Set academic institution as University of Windsor
5. Please use your UWindsor issued email address
6. Confirmation of Student Status
7. Please submit a copy of your Student Statement (fees charged to your account) so CFS can verify that you were charged the CFS fee
8. **Applicant's ID is your UWindsor Student ID number**
9. Once submitted, CFS will send you a verification number to your UWindsor email to activate your virtual card
10. The ISIC card app is free for all users <https://www.isic.org/the-isic-global-app/>

Clubs Program

- The GSS has launched graduate student-specific clubs open for all UWindsoor graduate students. This initiative encourages graduate students from various faculties to come together out of academic or educational curiosity, shared interests, or just a willingness to get involved on the UWin campus

Benefits of being a GSS Club?

- Access to booking space on campus
- Opportunities for club funding
- Access to GSS branding
- Getting involved with our campus community
- Meet other graduate students

www.uwindsorgss.ca/programs/gscp/

Looking to volunteer?

www.uwindsorgss.ca/events/volunteerform/

We have opportunities to volunteer with the GSS throughout the year!

- Website and social media are the best ways to know when events are coming up
- You can also fill out a form online to be added to our volunteer list for when future events come up

Important Contact Information

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