

# External Vice President

## Summary of position

Acts as a liaison between GSA and systemwide student organizations, administration and Regents, statewide and national legislative affairs. Advocates for graduate needs on the UC wide level and reports back on important UC wide issues. Attends a variety of systemwide meetings across the state. Position requires extensive travel.

## Stipend

\$2400 per quarter for four quarters (includes summer), with additional \$8000 budget for expenses

## Email

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## Workload (per quarter)

Council meetings: 4 meetings (6-8 hours)

Attend E-Board meetings: 4 meetings (6-8 hours)

Systemwide meetings:

- Semimonthly UC Regents meetings plus travel (2-3 days each, x3)
- Quarterly meetings at UC Office of the President, plus travel (1-2 days)
- Multi-day meetings of UCSA Board, plus travel to various UC campuses plus travel *(optional - the UCSC GSA is not a member of this org)*
- Multi-day meetings of UCGPC Board, plus travel to various UC campuses plus travel *(optional - the UCSC GSA is not a member of this org)*
- Other monthly and quarterly meetings depending upon current campaigns, advocacy and needs

Communication and email: 30-40 hours (3-4 hours/week)

Approximate workload total: 150-200+ hours/quarter

Note: it is understood that the EVP position necessarily exceeds the workload of the stipend, particularly when travel and travel planning are taken into account. EVP is also expected to lay out travel money for reimbursement, and therefore receives their stipend divided into two installments to ensure that lack personal funds does not hinder individuals from serving in this travel-heavy position.

## Responsibilities

The EVP serves as a liaison between the system-wide bodies of student government and the UCSC GSA.

- Attend transition meeting (spring of previous year) and E-board retreat (summer/beginning of fall)
- Attend GSA Council meetings and E-Board meetings, power and privilege training
- Represents the GSA to and attends meetings regarding:
  - Systemwide orgs; statewide student orgs; national/regional student orgs
  - UC Regents
  - Office of the President, including UCOP Student Affairs
  - Statewide government
  - Campus admin as pertains to systemwide and outward-facing issues
- Participate in systemwide advocacy conference calls
- Regular communication with UCSC SUA EVP for coordinating campus advocacy
- Regular communication and email with other systemwide representatives, UC Student Affairs, student regent, etc.
- Facilitate and organize UCSC grad participation/travel to at least one annual diversity conference and one annual lobbying trip, (such as Student Lobbying Conference or Student of Color Conference and Congress); may choose to work alongside UCSC SUA representatives in organizing BOD meetings that take place on the UCSC campus
- Update GSA on systemwide happenings
- Brings UCSC grad needs forward to systemwide spaces
- Serve in or communicate with relevant internal groups as necessary to understand internal issues as needed to represent issues systemwide
- Communicate with student orgs on other campuses as they pertain to relevant campaigns and/or student initiatives
- Aid in selection of student regent position annually or select proxy
- Recruit and appoint students to systemwide committees
- Publicize public comment periods for new policy and participate in educating UCSC Grad students on changes
- Serve as a liaison between GSA and relevant unions, including, but not limited to, UAW 2865 and AFSCME 3299
- Forge connections with EVP's from other campuses and other student leadership to further student representation and communication; form coalitions as necessary
- Bring adopted text, statements and resolutions of GSA to bodies listed above
- It is recommended that the EVP choose one or two campaigns on which to focus for the year, and attempts to further these specific efforts that affect UCSC Graduate/Professional students
- Advise UCSC GSA on possible membership to systemwide or national student organizations

- May also choose to serve as liaison with other student associations such as USSA (United States Student Association) and NAGPS (National Association of Graduate and Professional Students) and attend their meetings and conferences as necessary to the representation of GSA and UC students' campaigns
- Advocate for the diversity, accessibility, affordability and quality of education at the UC