



# Advocacy Agenda

October 2, 2014

The  
Graduate Assembly

# Process

- Reviewed feedback from September meeting
- Discussed with officers and PCs at September retreat
- Tonight:
  - Introduce 8 leading items
  - “Straw poll” to pick top 2-3
  - President’s recommendations
  - Discussion
  - Final vote

# Advocacy agenda ideas and frequency of being mentioned by delegates

- Wellness Initiative (Rec Sports, UHS, and Mental Health): **18**
- Professional Development: **17**
- Faculty and / or general campus diversity: **11**
- Open Access: **10**
- Affordable Grad Housing: **9**
- Bike Advocacy: **7**
- Recycling and Sustainability Improvements: **6**
- Financial Planning for Students: **6**
- International Students: **6**
- Title IX Improvements: **5**
- Professional Grad School Fees (lower or reverse): **4**

# Leading options

- Wellness
- Diversity
- Affordable Housing
- Open Access Publishing
- Professional/Career Development
- Mental Health
- Title IX/Sexual Discrimination/Sexual Assault
- Bicycle Advocacy

# Speakers

- Open Access
  - Mitar Milutinovic
- Diversity
  - Chryl Corbin
- Sexual violence
  - Amber Piatt
- Wellness
  - Matt Grigorieff
- Affordable Housing
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- Prof/Career Development
  - Aaron Smyth
- Mental Health
  - Janell Tryon
- Bicycles
  - Jon Morris

# Leading options (vote for 2)

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# President recommendation

- Establish two main advocacy agenda “themes”
- Form a workgroup for each theme to set priorities and goals

# President recommendation

## Wellness

- Mental health services
- Sexual violence
- Campus safety
- Affordable housing
- Increase/improve UHS services

## Diversity

- Grad student diversity
- Faculty search committee representation
- Faculty diversity
- Graduate student retention



# Discussion