



Join Us at the GSC!

Access to GSC: Get your own 24-hour access code to The Commons during staffed hours.

GSC hours: 9am-5pm, Monday-Friday.

Where you can find us:

Located right above Joe's Pizza and Subs in Quarry Plaza

What we do:

The GSC organizes *professional development* workshops, *health and wellness* activities, and *social* events. We provide a comfortable and welcoming *space*, fostering graduate student interaction and a sense of community:

- **24-hour access** to private study/meeting rooms and lounge area
- **Space** for your club or organization to meet
- **Multimedia equipment** (Wii, DVD player, and board games)
- **Copy machines** available

Grad Student Groups and Clubs

We host weekly and monthly activities to encourage interaction with peers in and outside of students' departments.

Examples (open to ALL grads):

Knitting & Crafting Club – Mondays, 5:30-7:30pm

Graduate Christian Fellowship – Tuesdays, 6-8pm

Monthly Queer Grad Student Lunches – join GLBTIQ grads to relax and talk in a queer-safe place. Enjoy a healthy & tasty free lunch. *Every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 12:30pm-2pm*

GRADUATE STUDENT COMMONS

is an independent organization that exists solely to serve the needs and interests of graduate students at UCSC

Fall 2014 Activities

Professional Development

Applying to the **NSF Grad Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)**? Come to this presentation to learn about the GRFP and to sign up for two GRFP writer's workshops later in October. *Tuesday, October 7, 12-1pm*

Academic CV and Cover Letter workshop. *Thursday, October 9, 10-11:30am*

Industry Resume and Cover Letter workshop – for grad students interested in non-academic careers. *Tuesday, October 21, 12-1:30pm*

Teaching Statement workshop – for those interested in a faculty position at a teaching focused institution. *Thursday, November 6, 10-11:30am*

Preventing and Managing Conflict in Discussion Sections and Labs – presented by the Director of Campus Conflict Resolution Services. *Monday, November 17, 12:30-1:45pm*

Grad Student Trip

Wine Tour of the Santa Cruz Mountains – discover your new favorite local Pinot. *Saturday, November 15, 10am-6pm*

Social Events

First Friday Socials – hang out with fellow grads on *Fridays: Oct 3 and Dec 5, 5-7pm*

Coffee & Pastries for Grads – start your week with breakfast snacks at the GSC. *Monday, Oct 13, 10-11am*

Halloween Bash & Pumpkin Carving – prizes, pumpkins, snacks & beverages provided. *Friday, October 31, 5-8pm*

Karaoke at Coasters. *Thursday, Nov 13, 8pm*

Health and Wellness

Weekly Meditation Practice for Grad Students – learn to meditate & bring conscious repose of your mind. *Tuesdays, 11:15-11:45am*

Acupressure and Chair Massage – unwind from graduate life with a complimentary acupressure or massage.

Wednesday, Dec 10, 11:30-2:30pm

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For more info visit our website:

<http://gradcommons.soe.ucsc.edu>

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