

College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences
Graduate Student Advisory Committee Aspirations
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The Graduate Student Advisory Committee (GSAC) was created in 2020 to act in an advisory capacity to the Vice President of Agricultural Administration and Dean of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. The primary goals of the committee include representing the interests of graduate students in CFAES as well as fostering an environment of collaboration and collegiality amongst students of the various departments in the college. As the CFAES GSAC, we aspire to:

- Ensure that membership is representative of all CFAES academic departments, programs, and graduate students so that all student concerns can be heard and addressed to the proper authorities.
- Provide all students of CFAES, regardless of degree, program, campus, advisor, race, nationality, gender, sex, religion, veteran status, etc., with similar opportunities, experiences, and the necessary resources to prepare them for success from the start of their graduate studies.
- Give a voice to all CFAES graduate students, especially those who are systemically ignored or fear professional repercussions, and provide them with the necessary resources and pipeline to actualize dialogue with administration and ultimately cultivate positive changes in a timely manner that benefit every individual of the CFAES community.
- To work collaboratively with the administrative and representative University councils and taskforces in accordance with the principle of shared governance across all issues related to CFAES.
- Promote camaraderie and collaboration among CFAES graduate students from all departments and student organizations to increase professional development and leadership opportunities that will ensure the success of our students beyond Ohio State.
- Educate the general public about graduate school in CFAES and inspire future generations of Ohio State students by organizing and hosting targeted annual outreach events that showcase the work of our own graduate students.
- Prioritize the long-term perseverance and commitment to maintaining positive change for future generations of graduate students.

All of these aspirations can become reality through the collaboration of and support from our diverse student body.