

FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM GSS LEADERSHIP

Dear UT Community,

Congratulations on an amazing year at the University of Tennessee!

The Graduate Student Senate (GSS) has had a great year working hard to advocate for, build community among, and engage graduate and professional students across UT's campus and online. We could not have done this without the support of every graduate and professional student, our senators and executive team, administrators, and the entire community. We are truly proud of everything you all have accomplished this year, and we hope you are also proud of yourself.

This year, we have given out hundreds of Travel Awards, organized many events, collaborated with several interest groups and university administrators. We also had a record number of candidates in the GSS election, record voter turnout, as well as graduate student participation in campus events. We hope that this, and the efforts of GSS past leaders, continue to build a stronger foundation for the future of graduate and professional education and experience on our campus. Please review our [document](#) that details all of our accomplishments this year.

We are confident that you will continue to support the GSS and the next leadership of [President-elect Kittu Pannu and Vice President-elect Chasidy Harris](#) throughout the 2025-2026 academic year. They are already hard at work and have developed a [climate survey](#) so that they can hear from you, the graduate student body!

As always you can follow GSS on Instagram [@utkgss](#), reach us at gss@utk.edu, or stop by our office in Student Union 174a.

Thank you,

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