

Graduate Student Association

University Council Report

March 25, 2015

Graduate Student Association Action Item: Proposal to amend the University Council Bylaws

- ❖ Overview: The attached proposal amends the Part V, Section III, Subsection F of the University Council By-Laws to allocate specific University Council seats for undergraduate students and graduate/professional students.
- ❖ Reasoning:
 - Enhance the collective voice of graduate and professional students at the University of Georgia, this would guarantee that one graduate or professional student will serve on the University Council from each school or college with graduate students, professional students or both.
 - As currently written, the University Council By-Laws found in V, III, F allocate one student seat per school or college, except the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences with six seats and the Graduate School with two seats.
 - Although not designating any seats as either graduate, undergraduate, or professional, the historical allocation of student seats on University Council has consisted of two graduate students from the Graduate School, one professional student from the College of Pharmacy, College of Veterinary Medicine, and School of law, and one graduate or professional student through the President of the Graduate Student Association, with all remaining student seats going to undergraduate students.
- ❖ This proposal will result in one graduate/professional seat in every college or school that has graduate and professional students, and at least one undergraduate seat in every college or school with undergraduate students.