

Dear Council Members,

May 3, 2013

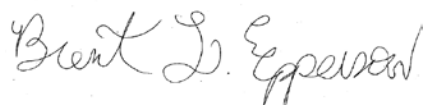
Please find the 2013-2014 Graduate Students' Association Board's Strategic Work Plan (SWP) attached for your review. This Plan was prepared by me along with my fellow Directly-Elected Officers and GSA Management to direct our efforts and identify areas where we can work with others in the University community. As former GSA President Ashlyn Bernier reported to you at the meeting of April 8, 2013, this SWP was also prepared in consultation with the 2012-2013 team of elected officials, a process which ensures continuity in terms of strategic goals, planning, and advocacy.

The 2013-2014 SWP provides us at the GSA with a planning document for this year as we enter a critical time in the University's history related to the provincial budget and its effects on the University and the graduate student community.

As was the case with the previous GSA SWP, in implementing this Plan, we will strive for transparency, accountability, and reputation-building through regular updates to GSA Council and other stakeholders. Through this process, we hope to gain valuable feedback on how we can best achieve what we have set out to accomplish. We look forward to working with our many partners on the implementation of this Plan.

We are interested in hearing your thoughts on the Strategic Plan. I look forward to our discussion on May 13.

Sincerely,



Brent Epperson  
2013-2014 GSA President