

Charter of the PhD Student Representatives, as Members of the PhD. Committee

Mission:

The PhD Committee is responsible for the oversight of the Ph.D. Program and ensuring that the program remains consistent with the School of Social Work mission, current practices in the field of social work, and the needs of the profession. Two PhD students represent student interests and concerns as voting members of the PhD Committee.

Membership:

PhD Student Representatives serve a two-year term. One Student Representative is chosen each year by the constituency of all Ph.D. students. This allows for consistency in the Committee by staggering the two-year terms. The election will take place no later than the second week of August of the current year.

Purposes:

The purposes of the PhD Student Representatives are to:

- Communicate student interests and concerns to the PhD Committee
- Provide enhanced communication between the PhD Committee faculty and students.
- Assume role as SAC representative to the RPT Committee according to ASUU guidelines.
- Ensure ongoing support of student/student and faculty/student functions such as socials and intellectual community building.
- Liaison with ASSW, Student Council and College Council.

Expectations:

PhD Student Representatives have access to a fund to provide food or other necessary items for announced student/student and faculty/student functions.

PhD Student Representatives attend all monthly meetings of the PhD Committee during the school year and the PhD Committee Program Orientation. They are excused when the Committee begins closed sessions to address student progress reports and admission applications.

PhD Student Representatives meet with the PhD Program Director as requested.