



# Student Life Liaison

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# Updates from the University

- Student Health Care

- Info out about health care costs and coverage by March.
- Committed to continuing *platinum level coverage* for graduate students (better than employee coverage).

- VU Parking Passes

- We got monthly billing!

- Feb. Board of Trust Meeting was about Graduate Students!

- Graduate Student Housing is happening!!



# Ongoing Cases and Projects

- Union conversation

- GSC plans to distribute unbiased, factual information about the pros and cons of unionization
- GSC hopes to host open forums where experts in the field can present pro and anti-union views

- Mental health

- Teamed up with Peabody
- Presented data from Graduate Student Perspectives Survey with Chancellor's Committee

- Holistic alternatives to GRE scores – GDI Committee



# Ongoing Cases and Projects



- Ombudsman Proposal
  - Mostly complete!!! Polishing this up now.



- Endowment Funds Proposals – See website
  - Finished!!
  - After submission Dean Wallace wants to meet with students and discuss how proposals are impacting VU



- Survey Analysis
  - Finished: PCC data, student health data, stipends, travel/housing, international student info, Diversity, Policy and Communication
  - Ongoing: Professionalization, campus safety

# Student Health Insurance

- Planning for April: Student Health Insurance Workshop
- Stay tuned for more info!



- Fun Facts for now:

- Goal: if premiums must rise, limit rise to 5%
- You can now pay in installments if you have dependents
- Insurance company actually loses money off grad students





# Open Forum

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