

Hello, graduate students!

Students are reminded that the GSA, along with Brock University's administrative offices, will be closed for the Easter holiday weekend from Friday, April 7 to Sunday, April 9. Please click [here](#) to read what is open and closed for the Easter holiday weekend. 🌸

1 HOLD THE DATE – SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (SGM)

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2 DE-STRESS DURING EXAMS

Take a break from exams to join the GSA and SWAC for some **succulent planting OR painting** on Friday, April 14 in Pond Inlet. We'll also have study snacks and other de-stress items for you to enjoy!

RSVP for 1 of 3 timeslots (1 p.m., 2 p.m. or 3 p.m.) by emailing office@brockgsa.ca. Deadline to register is noon on Thursday, April 13. Limited spots are available.

3 OPPORTUNITY: BE A GRAD STUDENT REP ON PACHRED

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5 CAMPUS PARTNER HAPPENINGS

Brock Recreation: Walker Sports Complex Easter Weekend Hours

- Closed Friday April 7
- Open: Saturday April 8 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and Sunday April 9 (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.)
- For more information, visit: <https://brocku.ca/recreation/>

Graduate Student Colloquium Experience

- Held virtually on April 19, 2023, Noon to 4:00 p.m.
- Opportunity to connect and engage with current graduate students' research work on various topics
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Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Finals Attendee Registration

- [Register here](#) to attend the 3MT Finals on Monday, April 17

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Graduate Writing Retreat Feedback

- FGS is looking for feedback on a potential 1-day writing retreat in May or June
- Grad students can provide their interest and [feedback here](#)

SWAC's Graduate Student Events

- [Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training \(ASIST\) 2-Day - ExperienceBU \(brocku.ca\)](#)
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🎉 Congratulations to recent award nominees and winners from the GSA Student Awards (April 1), Brock's [Teaching Excellence TA Awards](#) (April 10) and FGS Awards (April 12). We are so proud of you all and your great contributions to Brock!

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Hello, graduate students!

Wishing all those celebrating Eid a blessed day with family and friends

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND CAMPUS

Brock Recreation Spring Hours & Intramurals

- [Spring Intramural](#) begin the week of May 8
- Walker Sports Complex [Spring hours \(April 24-June 23\)](#)
- More information, including Aquatics, please [click here](#)

Brock Library's Evidence Synthesis workshop: Systematic Review Crash Course: 3 Part Series | May 3, 10 & 25 | 12-2 p.m.

- This series is part of the [Building Better Research Workshop Series](#) and is geared towards researchers currently working on/interested in systematic, scoping, rapid or other evidence synthesis reviews.
- [Wed. May 3, 12-2PM — Workshop 1: Introduction to Evidence Synthesis](#)
- [Wed. May 10, 12-2PM — Workshop 2: Searching the Literature for Evidence Synthesis Reviews](#)
- [Thurs. May 25, 12-2PM — Workshop 3: Screening and Synthesizing Studies and Reporting Results](#)

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Welcome to the end of the 2022-2023 year and the beginning of an exciting new 2023-2024 year. We can't believe we're finally at this time of the year – where has the time gone?

Before getting into our regular newsletter items, we want to say thank you to all our members for an incredible year. You have given us many special memories to take forward with us, in and outside of the GSA.

With a year coming to an end, we want to take a moment to say thank you to our current Executive Team for their work throughout 2022-2023. To Haley Myatt, Sarah Burger, Alex Wilder and Rakha Zabin, thank you for your service and dedication this year. An additional thanks to our 2022-2023 Board of Directors who have been incredible advocates for graduate students and the GSA this year, as well.

In early May, we will fully introduce you to our 2023-2024 executive team – Rakha Zabin, Alex Wilder, Zoe Gagnon, Allayna Barrett and Larissa Lobo – and share some goals of the GSA in over the next year. Stay tuned!

BROCK MARCH FOR GRADUATE FUNDING

- May 1st join the Brock March for Graduate Funding 1 p.m. at the Brock Statue
- Poster making 10:30 a.m. in Cairns, bring any supplies you can afford.
- Graduate students deserve to live out of poverty register now bit.ly/BrockMarchRSVP

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