

ARE YOU READY TO BE THE NEXT AGRY GSO

# BOARD MEMBER?



The AGRY GSO is holding elections for the 2025-2026 academic year! Read role descriptions and application details here:

Applications due Friday, June 27th



https://gqr.sh/UcN7

# Application Instructions

#### **Application guidelines:**

- 1. Only self-nominations are allowed
- Candidates must have completed at least one semester as a Purdue graduate student to be eligible for candidacy
- 3. Candidates should be available to serve on the board for the entire 2025-2026 academic year
- 4. While postdocs are not eligible to serve on the board, we are looking for postdoc liaisons to volunteer with us. Please email agrygso@purdue.edu if interested

#### **Application materials:**

- 1. Description of activities or initiatives you would propose during your time on the AGRY GSO board (150-300 words recommended)
  - a. NOTE: If you are applying for the role of president, treasurer, or PGSG senator, you must propose at least one idea for a fundraising event
- 2. Description of why you are a good candidate to serve on this board (150-300 words recommended)
- 3. Your first and second choice board member positions
- 4. A headshot

Please note that your responses will be shared with the department during the voting period.



Once you have read these instructions, please **submit your application** at this link:

https://forms.gle/hpxtx4EsgM42cycF7





#### President

The role of president includes: proposing ideas for activities with the grad students, being a channel of communication between the department, committee chairs, Purdue BOSO, and/or the grad students with the board, assigning and delegating tasks to each officer, reviewing and approving financial transactions, and motivating others to propose ideas.

The president manages the agrygso@purdue.edu e-mail to send invitations and spread information. The President is in charge of coordinating the Professional Development Seminar, which involves contacting professors and/or experts in topics that are of interest to the students, setting a time for the presentation, reserving the room, and providing the zoom link.

Most importantly, the president needs a lot of passion and love for this community to keep it active.

#### Vice President

The vice president's main responsibility is to coordinate the Graduate Seminar Series, hosting at least three seminars per semester. This involves creating a Google form to manage time slots for presentations, which are open to graduate students, post-docs, and visiting scholars to share their research (or anything they would like to present). Once a presenter signs up, the vice president should book a room and design a flyer with the presentation title, a brief summary, and a zoom link for remote attendees. The vice president is also responsible for organizing other miscellaneous activities conducted by the organization.

## Treasurer

The treasurer is responsible for creating a projected budget in Excel that outlines potential events and the materials that may need to be purchased. This budget serves as a reference to help the club estimate the total amount of funding needed for the year.

As events take place, they should maintain an updated budget spreadsheet that tracks actual expenses and shows how much money remains in the club account. When an event requires the use of a "Purchasing Card," the treasurer must submit a form at least two business days before the card is needed. The treasurer is also responsible for depositing funds to BOSO.

All financial transactions must be recorded in detail and reported in a timely manner. Attention to detail is key.

## Secretary

The AGRY GSO secretary is responsible for organizing and maintaining clear communication within the group. This includes scheduling meetings, preparing and sharing meeting agendas and minutes, and keeping records of decisions and activities. The secretary also helps coordinate events, assists with internal and external communication, and supports the group in staying organized and efficient in its goals.

## Public Relations Chair

The public relations officer is responsible for communications with other GSOs and individuals outside of the AGRY GSO. For example, if another GSO reaches out to collaborate to host an event together, the public relations chair is the bridge for communicating and facilitating the details of planning and execution of the event. The public relations officer should also initiate communication to other GSOs and organizations or individuals and report back to the AGRY GSO. Additionally, the public relations officer should be involved in other activities hosted by AGRY GSO and participate in planning social and professional development events for AGRY graduate students.

## Diversity Chair

The diversity chair participates in the College of Ag Graduate Student Committee, which meets a few times every semester. At each meeting, they provide an update on recent GSO activities, what went well and what didn't, and any issues or concerns the grad students in the department have expressed since the previous meeting.

They are responsible for managing the AGRY GSO suggestion box, checking for submissions and initiating any necessary responses. They should advertise the suggestion box link in the group chat and by email at least once a semester.

The diversity chair should also keep an eye out for events, trainings, holidays, etc. that could pertain to the department and find ways for people to participate in them. For example, advertise the LGBTQ Center Safety Zone training to faculty every so often and encourage them to join.

#### P6S6 Senator

The agronomy graduate student senator participates in the Purdue Graduate Student Government (PGSG). They must serve on one of the teams, such as the proposal review team or the travel and research grant team.

The senator should attend the PGSGs meeting and vote on legislations, budget allocation, etc. as a representative of the Agronomy department graduate student body. They amplify our graduate student body's voice and disseminate information.

## Communications Chair

The communications chair promotes AGRY GSO events and has three major responsibilities: event promotion and design, social media management, and website maintenance.

This member designs visually appealing flyers for upcoming events and posts them in high-traffic areas around Lilly Hall in a timely manner. The communications chair oversees and maintains AGRY GSO's social media presence on Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn. They should create engaging posts that announce upcoming events, share photos and highlights from past events, and promote opportunities for member involvement. Finally, this officer should communicate with the department's website manager to keep the AGSO website current with upcoming events details, photos from past events, and other relevant content.



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