

## Graduate Student Association

The GSA is a body which represents the graduate student body of NCSU to the NCSU administration and provides career building opportunities, social events and other resources.

### Getting Settled In Raleigh:

Arrival Survival: answers to the most frequently asked questions

#### Emergency Numbers

Immediate Emergencies	911	Raleigh Police	919-996-3000
Campus Police	919-515-3000	Poison Control	1-800-222-1222

-On Campus, look for the “blue light” poles to contact emergency services

-[Campus Safety Resources](#)

North Carolina State Residency: Residency confers reduced [tuition](#); apply within 10 days of classes

Academic Calendars & Graduate Calendars: Late registration results in a \$100 fee

### Transportation:

The unidirectional [NCSU Wolfline](#) bus service is free; does not require ID ([real-time map](#))

Triangle, Cat and R-Line Buses: Students ride for free with a [free GoPass](#)

WolfWheels bike rentals

Zim Ride: Carpool matching system

Zip Car: Pay a regular fee and reserve car for a specified time

#### Parking Permits

-At NCSU each parking lot has its own pass at its own rate (\$99-\$306/ year).

-Parking in the [Park and Ride](#) lots is **free** but requires a bus ride to campus

### Benefits and Student Resources:

GSSP ([Graduate Student Support Plan](#))

-**Requirements** and [GSSP Handbook](#)

-Assistantship/fellowship > minimum value (\$8,000/year as of 2012)

-**Semester limits and required hours for Masters/PhD** (in [GSSP Handbook](#))

-**Benefits**: Tuition for [4-10 semesters](#) depending on degree and health insurance

-**Benefits** do **NOT** cover Student Fees ([fees vary by year](#)) or Summer Tuition

#### GSSP HEALTH INSURANCE:

-Registration for summer coverage: \$50 per summer

-Typically covers 80% of most expenses after a \$200 deductible

-100% of one eye exam per year is covered, but it does not include dental insurance

**Without GSSP support, you must purchase your own insurance: The plan sponsored by NCSU is NC Student Blue (BSBC)**

**Student Health** (most services are covered at 100%): [Gastro Intestinal Clinic](#), [STD Testing](#), [Allergy Clinic](#), [Travel Clinic](#), [Counseling Center](#), [Women’s Health Center](#)

#### Academic Integrity

-**Research Integrity-Academic Integrity/Code of Student Conduct**:

-RA/TA positions typically require GPA >3.0

-[Copyright and Digital Scholarship Center](#)

[NCSU Childcare Resources](#) available through human resources

[GLBT Center](#) (Gay, Lesbian, Bi and Transgender Center)

[NCSU Libraries](#) D.H. Hill Library, Hunt Library, Textiles and Veterinary Libraries

-Literature review/search help, [reserving cameras/recorders/ipads](#), [reserve a room](#)

[Gym Facilities](#) Access paid for by student fees

-Classes available for rock climbing, hiking, etc. & free [group classes](#)

-Tents, Sleeping Bags, and hiking equipment [may be rented](#) for variable time

-During the summer: one must either take classes or pay a membership fee

[Career Center](#): Appointments for career/job search, resume critiques, practice interviews

[Preparing Future Leaders](#)

-Seminars for NCSU grad students and postdocs for professional development

-[Leadership](#) and teaching certificates - and workshops in the library

[Teaching Resources](#): A moodle resource and discussion board for TA's is also supplied

[Student Legal Services](#)

[Student Disability Services](#): Helps to accommodate technology and other needs

[Ombuds](#): Provides neutral, informal, and confidential conflict resolution

## **Fun Stuff on and Around Campus:**

[THE KRISPY KREME CHALLENGE](#)

[Craft Center](#): Weaving, glasswork, lapidary, silver smithing, painting, dark room, etc.

[Talley Student Center](#): Student plays, a variety of dances, can [reserve rooms](#) and catering

[Food trucks](#) on Centennial Campus from 11am-2pm

[Farmers Market](#) located in Raleigh; stalls visit campus on Wednesdays

[NC State Fair in October](#)

[Arts at NCSU](#)

[Free student tickets to NCSU football and basketball games](#)

-All other sporting events are free to students with student ID and don't require a ticket

[Parks](#): [Pullen Park](#) (East of Campus), [Lake Raleigh](#) (On Centennial Campus), [Lake Johnson](#)

(South Side of Avent Ferry), [NCSU Arboretum](#), [Rose Garden](#)

-[Umstead Park](#) and [The Tobacco Trail](#) are also in the area but are a little farther away

[First Friday](#) of the month in downtown Raleigh; art/music/food in Moore Square

[Plays/Theaters](#): [Raleigh Little Theater](#), [NC Theatre](#), [Durham Performing Arts Center](#)

[Discounted Student Tickets](#): [Carolina Ballet](#), [NC Theatre](#), [Carolina Hurricanes](#)

[Museums](#): [Art Museum](#), [Contemporary Art](#), [History](#), [Natural Science](#), [Durham Life Science Museum](#)

[Downtown Raleigh](#): roughly 1-2 miles from campus

[African American Cultural Festival](#), [Artsposure](#), [Raleigh Greenways](#), [First Night](#)

[Hopscotch](#) Music Festival in September

[Sparkcon](#) two week festival of art downtown

## **Computer Services:**

[Print Quota](#)

[WolfXpress](#): NOT a free service - business cards to book or thesis publishing

Academic related software is available at a discount at the [NCSU bookstore](#)

### **Free Software/VCL**

-A full list of free software available can be found at the [OIT website](#)

-The [Virtual Computing Lab](#) is a system that sets up a 'virtual' login session

**Automatic Wireless Login**: By registering with the [NOMAD system](#) you can have the wireless network automatically recognize your laptop and phone without logging in every session