

# Graduate Student Senate



*GSS President, Casey O'Heran, submitted the following letter for the consideration of the Graduate Student Senate.*

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To Whom It May Concern,

We, the members of the University of New Hampshire Graduate Student Senate, wish to voice our concerns on the status of graduate student ticket prices at athletic events.

It has been recognized that athletic fees for graduate students in the past have not garnered enough participation to warrant the continuation of athletic fees. This has resulted in the current fee system for graduate students not including fees for athletic/sporting events.

We recognize and appreciate that graduate students have been given discounted prices for certain events in the past. Recently, it has been brought to our attention that there is interest from the graduate body in attending more athletic events. However, the price for admission has become a deterrent. For example, hockey and football have single game tickets that start at either \$24 or \$25 for general attendees. Whereas, youth, military, staff, and seniors have discounted ticket prices of \$12 for the aforementioned sports. Under the current language, graduate students do not fall under the umbrella of discounted tickets. Like staff, graduate students are an integral part of the university community and it is our belief that the graduate body is deserving of a similar discount for sporting events.

With this in mind, we would like to formally propose that graduate students receive the same aforementioned discounts for sporting events at the University of New Hampshire. Associated with this proposal comes a request to change the current discount ticket language from "Single-Game Youth, Military, Staff, Seniors" to "Single-Game Youth, Military, Staff, Seniors, Graduate Students." The Graduate Student Senate believes this proposal can help the graduate body get more involved in the UNH community by providing discounted graduate ticket prices for athletic events.

*\*This letter was approved by the Graduate Student Senate on 9/30/2019.*

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Graduate Student Senate President

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Casey O'Heran".

Casey O'Heran