SGSA Roles and Responsibilities

The Appointments and Renewal, Tenure and Promotion (RTP) Committee (1 MA, 1 PhD)
- Responsible for completing equity employment training, attending department RTP meetings, representing graduate student interests, providing feedback on hiring and promotion processes, and reporting back to the association.

The Departmental Meeting Representatives (1 MA, 1 PhD)
- Responsible for attending monthly department meetings, representing the interests of graduates in the department, bringing graduate student issues to the attention of the department, liaising between the faculty and graduate students, and reporting back to the association.

The Graduate Studies Committee (2 MA, 1 PhD)
- Responsible for attending Graduate Studies Committee meetings, reviewing admissions and funding applications, representing graduate student interests providing feedback and reporting information back to the association.

The Equity Committee
- Responsible for attending Equity Committee meetings, writing equity newsletter, representing the interests of graduates in the department, informing graduate students of social justice and equity related opportunities, and reporting back to the association.

The Ethics Review Committee (PhD Student)
- Parameters of this role will be discussed at the (September/October 2016) department meeting.

The Society of Graduate and Professional Students (SGPS) (1 Student)
- Responsible for attending monthly council meetings at the SGPS, representing the interests of sociology graduate students, and reporting to the association about issues impacting Queen’s University, the SGPS, and graduate students.

The Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) Local 901 Steward (1 Student)
- Responsible for attending monthly Steward Council Meetings and PSAC meetings, developing strategies to keep the membership informed about workplace and union issues, and help plan events. Stewards are responsible for informing their co-workers about upcoming union events, including general meetings, elections and educational workshops

SGSA Social Committee (2-4 Students)
- Responsible for organizing community building social activities. These events include but are not limited to: Department Orientation, September Welcome Party, Bi-Monthly Coffee Hour, Trivia/Games nights, recreational activities, and movie nights.

SGSA Professional Development Committee (2-4 Students)
- Responsible for organizing and facilitating professional development opportunities within the department. These events include but are not limited to: Annual Sociology Graduate Conference, workshops, colloquia and guest lectures.