

NATURAL RESOURCES GRADUATE STUDENTS
NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

Article I. Name and Purpose

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the NATURAL RESOURCES GRADUATE STUDENTS; hereafter referred to as NRGs.

Section 2. The purpose of this organization shall be:

- a. To represent the graduate student body in the College of Natural Resources.
- b. To provide a forum for graduate student opinion and research activities.
- c. To voice graduate student opinion in all matters of mutual interest to graduate faculty.
- d. To promote professional interest and fellowship among graduate students.

Article II. Membership

Section 1. Membership shall be concurrent with the enrollment in all graduate programs of the College of Natural Resources

Article III. Officers and GSA Representatives

Section 1. The elected officers of this organization shall be:

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer
- e. GSA Representative
- f. GSA Alternate

Section 2. Election of Officers

Officers shall be elected by general assent of members present at a meeting designated in advance as the election forum. In the event of dissension regarding election results, a secret ballot by the members of the organization shall be conducted. In the latter instance, election shall be determined by the plurality of the votes cast. Officers are to serve a term not exceeding one year.

Section 3. Date of Elections.

Elections shall be held during April and the terms of office shall begin at the end of the Spring semester. Any vacancies created by the early retirement of an officer shall be filled by presidential appointment or, at the request of the organization, by a special election.

Section 4. Duties of Officers.

- a. The President shall call and preside over NRGs meetings and represent NRGs at University and College of Natural Resources functions.
- b. The President shall also nominate representatives to such committees and organizations as considered appropriate and/or necessary. Such nominations will be subject to approval by a majority of NRGs members present at the meeting they are announced.
- c. The Vice President shall preside over NRGs meetings at the request or absence of the President and, at the President's request, substitute for the President at University and College of Natural Resources functions.
- d. The Secretary shall take and maintain the minutes of NRGs meetings.
- e. The Treasurer shall keep and maintain the financial records of NRGs.
- f. The GSA Representative will participate on one GSA committee per year and attend seven of eleven monthly GSA meetings in order for NRGs to receive an annual rebate from the GSA. The GSA representative will be an elected officer other than the President of NRGs.
- g. The GSA Alternate will attend GSA meetings in the event that the GSA Representative is unable to do so.

Article IV. Committees.

Section 1. The organization shall make provisions for the formation of any special committees when needed.

Article V. Amending the Constitution

Section 1. Amendments to the Constitution shall be presented by members of the organization in writing and shall be read and voted upon at a regular meeting. A majority of two-thirds of the members present and voting shall be required for approval.

Section 2. All amendments of Constitution shall be subject to the approval of the Student Government.

Section 3. Any article of this Constitution or part thereof that is in direct violation of the Student Government shall be null and void and declared unconstitutional by the President of Student Government. Any differences of opinion between the organization and the president of Student Government shall be brought before the appropriate legislative body, whose decision shall be final.

FOREST RESOURCES ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

CONSTITUTION

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Article II. Objectives

The objectives of this organization will be: 1) to represent the graduate students of the College of Forest Resources in any matter that may affect the welfare of the graduate students; 2) to disseminate information of interest or importance to the graduate students; and 3) to provide services to the graduate student body.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. General Membership

All graduate students of the College of Forest Resources shall be members of FRAGS, including the departments of Forestry, Wood and Paper Science, and Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management.

Section 2. FRAGS Executive Committee

A. The FRAGS Executive Committee will be composed of: 1) a Chairman; 2) a Secretary; 3) a Treasurer; and 4) one GSA representative from each department (Forestry, Wood and Paper Science, Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management). An additional voting member of the Executive Committee shall be the GSA representative from Wildlife and Fisheries. As Wildlife and Fisheries graduate students are partially housed in the Forestry graduate program, a Wildlife and Fisheries graduate student **OR** a Forestry graduate student may hold the Forestry Executive Committee office.

B. A department will be defined as all the graduate students in one degree program. The departments in the College of Forest Resources are Forestry, PRTM, and WPS.

C. The offices of Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be filled by selecting one representative from Forestry, one from Wood and Paper Science, and one from Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management, such that the Executive Committee is composed of two representatives from each department, one of which is a FRAGS officer, and the other a GSA representative.

D. The GSA representatives shall serve as alternates for the FRAGS officers from their respective department, and the FRAGS officers shall serve as alternates for the GSA representatives from their respective department.

E. The offices held by representatives from each department shall be rotated on an annual basis in alphabetical order, as follows:

1991	1992	1993
Chairman - Forestry	Chairman - PRTM	Chairman - WPS
Secretary - PRTM	Secretary - WPS	Secretary - Forestry
Treasurer - WPS	Treasurer - Forestry	Treasurer - PRTM

and so forth.

F. Each department will elect its FRAGS representatives as follows:

1. Nominations to select the FRAGS representative for a department shall be accepted from the graduate students within that department. At the department's discretion, faculty members may be invited to participate in the nomination process.
2. The graduate students of each of the three departments are responsible for selecting both representatives from the nominees.
3. Nominees must be a degree program student in the department from which they are nominated.
4. The acting FRAGS officer and GSA representative for each department are responsible for distributing nomination forms to all of the graduate students (and faculty members as appropriate) in their department. In addition, these representatives are responsible for the collection and tally of the nominations.
5. In the event of a tie, ballots shall be re-cast according to the procedures outlined in items 1 - 4 above.
6. In the event that no nominations are put forward, the Graduate Administrator from each department shall be responsible for appointing representatives.
7. The nomination process will begin at the onset of classes in the spring semester. Representatives shall be selected no later than February 1 of that semester.
8. Upon election, the new representatives will be expected to 'shadow' the representative they will replace at required meetings, and to learn the responsibilities of the office they will hold prior to the beginning of their term.
9. The new officers will assume full responsibility for the successful operation of FRAGS at the onset of classes in the fall semester, such that the official term of each representative is an August to August period.

Section 3. Vacancies

Vacancies shall be filled as follows:

- A. If a FRAGS officer resigns or is removed from office, the GSA representative will assume the responsibilities of the officer.
- B. If a FRAGS officer resigns or is removed from office and there is no GSA representative, the department will be responsible for filling the vacant positions as specified in Article III, Section 2.
- C. If the conditions described in B. create an emergency situation, the remaining Executive Committee members may elect a temporary replacement for the vacant position, until the procedures specified in Article III, Section 2 are complete.

Article IV. By-laws

Section 1. Duties of the Officers

A. The Chairman will:

- 1) call and preside over the FRAGS meetings;

- 2) call for elections when necessary;
- 3) represent FRAGS at University functions; and
- 4) represent the graduate students on the School of Forestry Administrative Council.

B. The Secretary will:

- 1) keep the minutes of FRAGS meetings; and
- 2) organize and oversee committees that implement FRAGS objectives.

C. The Treasurer will:

- 1) keep the financial records of FRAGS;
- 2) handle all financial transactions of FRAGS; and
- 3) maintain FRAGS' university accounts.

Section 2. Meetings

A. The Executive Committee of FRAGS shall formally meet a minimum of once per quarter during the August to August term.

B. At least one general membership meeting shall be called each semester during the academic year.

C. Official meeting times shall be agreed upon by the Executive Committee members at the first quarterly meeting.

Section 3. Constitutional Revisions

A. Any proposed changes in the FRAGS constitution shall be discussed and agreed upon by the FRAGS Executive Committee members.

B. A draft of the proposed revisions will be provided for each graduate student member. This draft shall include a section that allows each student to accept or reject the proposed changes.

C. The acting FRAGS officer and GSA representative for each department are responsible for distributing proposed revision forms to all of the graduate students in their department. In addition, these representatives are responsible for collection and tally of the responses.

D. The proposed revisions shall be incorporated into the FRAGS constitution if the sum of the total votes received indicates acceptance by the voting majority.

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Article I.

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Section 1. Organization Name

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Section 2. Purpose of Organization

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Article II.

Section 1. General Membership

All graduate students of the College of Forest Resources shall automatically become members of FRAGS upon acceptance into one of the Academic Departments (Forestry, Recreation Resources Administration, and Wood and Paper Science) of the College.

Article III.

Section 1. Governing Body

- A. The FRAGS Executive Committee will be composed of 1) a Chairperson; 2) a Treasurer; 3) a Representative from each academic department; and 4) the Past Chairperson.
- B. The FRAGS Chairperson shall be the presiding officer of the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall serve as presiding officer in the absence of the Chairperson.
- C. The Past Chairperson will serve as an advisor to the current Chairperson and to the Executive Committee to ensure continuity to better serve the graduate students.

- D. The Chairperson and Treasurer shall be elected or appointed annually at a general meeting of all the graduate students of the College of Forest Resources. This meeting will be held in the Spring Semester. Election will be by majority vote. If no nominations are received, the current Executive Committee, in consultation with the Graduate Coordinator of the Academic Departments involved will seek volunteers and/or appoint a candidate.
- i. The Chairperson will 1) call and preside over FRAGS meetings; 2) call for elections and appoint committees;
 - ii. The Treasurer will: 1) keep the financial records of FRAGS; 2) receive and dispense the finances of FRAGS as approved by the Chairperson or Executive Committee; 3) Assume the duties and responsibilities of the Chairperson in the Chairperson's absence.
- E. The graduate students within each Academic Department will be represented by an elected or appointed graduate student representative and alternate from that Department. Each Department representative and alternate will be elected or appointed by:
- i. Elections
 - Forestry: Elections will be held annually in the Spring at a general meeting of the Forestry graduate students. Election will be by a majority vote.
 - Recreation Resources Administration: Elections will be held in the Spring of each year at a general meeting of Recreation Resources Administration graduate students. Election will be by majority vote.
 - Wood and Paper Science: Elections will be held annually in the Spring of each year at a general meeting of the Wood and Paper Science graduate students. Election will be by majority vote.
 - ii. Appointment
 - If no nominations are received, the current Executive Committee, in consultation with the Graduate Coordinator of the particular Department, will appoint a candidate.
- F. All officers, representatives and alternates will assume office immediately after being elected or appointed.

- G. Mid-Term Vacancies
- i. Vacancies in the positions of FRAGS Chairperson and Treasurer will be filled until the end of the present term by appointment of a suitable candidate from the membership by majority vote of the executive committee.
 - ii. Vacancies in the Departmental Representative positions will be filled by the Alternate for that Department.
 - iii. Vacancies in the Departmental Alternate positions will be filled by appointment of a suitable candidate from the FRAGS membership from that Department and approved by the Executive Committee.
- H. The Departmental Representatives and alternates will serve as representatives and alternates, respectively, to the Graduate Student Association (GSA) of North Carolina State University.

Article IV

Section 1. Finances

Finances of this organization will consist of : A) tuition fee rebates provided by Student Government and the Graduate Student Association on Campus; B) Donations; and C) participation charges for specific functions when deemed necessary and appropriate by the Executive Committee.

Article V.

Section 1. Amending this Constitution

Amendments to the constitution or by-laws shall be presented by members of the the association in writing and read at a regular meeting but shall not be voted upon until the next regular meeting, and then only after informing each member of the proposed amendments. A majority of 2/3 of the members present and voting shall be required.

Section 2.

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Article VI.

Section 1. Meetings

FRAGS will have at least one general meeting annually in the Spring for the specific purpose of electing new officers. Each Department Representative will call a general meeting of that department's graduate students in the Spring for the purpose of electing a new department representative.

Article VII.

Section 1. Committees

- A. The FRAGS Chairperson will appoint member graduate students to committees to advise the Executive Committee as the need arises.
- B. Any graduate student member of FRAGS can initiate formation of an advisory committee by petitioning the Executive Committee for such action. The petitioning graduate student will automatically become a member of such appointed committee. The Chairperson of any advisory committee will be elected by that committee's members.

15 September 1986

To: Adriel Johnson, GSA Parliamentarian
Box 7621 NCSU

From: Ken Roeder, Chairperson
Box 8002, NCSU
School of Forest Resources Association of Graduate Students,
(FRAGS)

Subject: GSA Representatives from the School of Forest Resources

As Chairperson of FRAGS, the umbrella Graduate Student Organization for the School of Forest Resources, I am responding to your inquiry concerning basic information about incumbent Graduate Student Representatives within this school. There are three Departments within this school with Graduate Student Representatives and alternates. They are:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Campus Address</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
Forestry	Chris Davidson	Box 8002, NCSU Biltmore Hall	Doreen Liner
Recreation Resources	Laura Valerius	Box 8004, NCSU Biltmore Hall	Sheryl Rudd
Wood and Paper Science	Jerry Midyette	Box 8005, NCSU Biltmore Hall	Unfilled

We look forward to meeting with you at the GSA meeting at 7:00pm, 29 September at 2211 Broughton Hall.

cc. Dr. Elwood
Dr. Cooper, Forestry
Dr. Thomas, Wood and Paper Science
Dr. Warren, Recreation Resources
Chris Davidson
Doreen Liner
Jerry Midyette
Sheryl Rudd
Laura Valerius

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Section 2. FRAGS Composition

- A. The FRAGS Committee will be composed of 1) a Chairman; 2) a Treasurer; and 3) one representative and alternate from each department (Forestry, Wood and Paper Science, Recreation Resources Administration).
- B. A department will be an organization consisting of all the graduate students in one major. A major is an area of study for which one may receive an advanced degree.
- C. Each departmental representative and alternate will be elected or appointed by:

Forestry: Elections will be held annually at a general meeting of Forestry graduate students. Nominations will come from the floor. Elections will be by a plurality of votes cast.

Wood and Paper Science: Elections will be held annually at a general meeting of Wood and Paper Science graduate students. Nominations will come from the floor. Elections will be by a plurality of votes cast.

Recreation Resources Administration: Elections will be held in January and September of each year at a general meeting of Recreation Resources Administration graduate students. Nominations will come from the floor. Elections will be by a plurality of votes cast.

- D. Each representative and alternate will be majoring in the major represented.

Section 3. Vacancies

Representatives and Alternates will be chosen by each department. At other times, vacancies shall be filled as follows:

- A. If a Representative resigns or is removed from office and if there is an Alternate, the Alternate will assume the office of Representative;
- B. If a Representative resigns or is removed from office and there is no Alternate, the department will be responsible for filling the vacated position.
- C. If an Alternate resigns or is removed from office, the department will be responsible for filling the vacated position.
- D. If the FRAGS Chairman resigns or is removed from office, the Treasurer will assume the office of Chairman (and Treasurer) for the remainder of the term.
- E. If the Treasurer resigns or is removed from office, the Chairman will assume both responsibilities for the remainder of the term.

Article IV. By-laws

Section 1. Election of Officers

- A. The permanent officers are those of Chairman and Treasurer.
- B. Regular elections will be held in January of each year at a regular meeting. Such elections will be announced by the presiding officer.
- C. Officers will assume office immediately after being elected.
- D. Special elections will be held whenever the permanent office becomes vacant and there is no available replacement or alternate. All vacancies shall be announced by the presiding officer.
- E. Nomination of candidates will come from the floor.
- F. Elections will be by a plurality of votes cast.

Section 2. Duties of the Officers

- A. The Chairman will:

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October 2, 1986

Ken Roeder, Chairperson
Forest Resources Assoc. of Graduate Students
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Dear Mr. Roeder:

We have reviewed your organization's constitution and officers list and everything seems to be in proper order. You are now an officially registered student organization of North Carolina State University entitled to all privileges entailed in that status.

Understand that this recognition in no way gives the University or Student Government responsibility for any financial liability which may be incurred by your group. Your status does, however, give you the opportunity to approach the Student Senate with a request for funds, and it also gives you certain on campus solicitation privileges.

Please be aware that we ask each student organization to update its file whenever there is a change of officers and at the beginning of each school year. Failure to do so will result in a loss of registration.

If the Department of Student Development can be of assistance to your group, please do not hesitate to call on us. Good luck with your new group.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RSBjr".

Robert S. Bryan, Jr.
Assistant Director
Student Development

RSBjr/ml

cc: President, Student Government
Michelle Hall, Reservation &
Catering, Student Center

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Forest Resources Association
of Graduate Students,

Biltmore Hall, NCSU

7th November '89.

Department of Student Development,
Harris Hall, NCSU

I write with regard to the registration of the above mentioned organization (F.R.A.G.S.). After returning the registration form, it was brought to my notice that the constitution of F.R.A.G.S. was amended in the previous academic year. I am therefore enclosing a copy for your files.

Yours sincerely,

Reith Jayawickrama

Reith J. S. Jayawickrama

President, F.R.A.G.S.