

Bill # 71-19

**The Graduate and Professional Student Association
(GPSA)**

The Pennsylvania State University



of the 71st Assembly
February 23rd, 2022

Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,

Bike Safety Event
Funding for Bike Helmets
(Decided: [Y / N / A])

1 **Nature of the Situation:**

2 The safety of the graduate and professional students is a top concern for the GPSA. With the
3 increasing number of graduate and professional students commuting by bicycle to campus, the
4 GPSA recognizes the necessity of bike safety awareness programs among graduate and
5 professional students. The GPSA also recognizes that bicycle helmets are very expensive and
6 often difficult for graduate and professional students to afford. Therefore, we propose the GPSA
7 offer a Bike Safety event where graduate and professional students can learn about bike safety
8 and receive a free helmet. The helmets are one-size-fits-most and GPSA intends to purchase the
9 helmets from The Bicycle Shop in State College.

10 GPSA will also partner with the University Park Undergraduate Association (UPUA) to put on this
11 Bike Safety event. The UPUA will also purchase 50 bike helmets and will make space
12 reservations. We hope to partner with other campus offices and community resources, such as
13 the Centre Region Bicycle Coalition and Light the Night, to bring in other information about bike
14 safety. We hope that this event will encourage graduate and professional students to learn more
15 about bike safety and give them the resources to practice bike safety techniques while commuting
16 to and from campus.

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19 **Recommended Course of Action:**

1 The Graduate and Professional Student Association authorizes the Student Engagement
2 Committee to purchase the following items for the Bike Safety event. The proposed date for the
3 event is **TBD**.

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5 *GPSA Funding for Bike safety event 2022*

Item	Cost	Quantity	Total
Bike Helmets	\$50	50	\$2500

Respectfully submitted,

Ram Neupane
Delegate, College of Agricultural Sciences

President _____

Affirm

Veto

The Graduate and Professional Student Association