



## Welcome from the StuCo President!

Whether you're returning after being away for a term or are moving in for the first time, we're glad you've decided to spend winter term with us.

For those of us who have been at Grebel for Fall term, it has sometimes felt like the wind blew our sheet music away in the middle of a concert. The pandemic has presented serious challenges to some of our core traditions, and there is no precedent for how to deal with them. I'm excited to say that with creativity, humour, and perseverance, Student Council (StuCo) and the Larger Leadership Team (LLT) have stepped up to the challenge and improvised to the tune of...

- Re-allocating unused classrooms for study, lounge and game space.
- Reimagining in-person events - Grebelbowl this year was ultimate frisbee instead of contact football.
- Moving some classic events online (like the Halloween Costume Contest and Mocktails).
- Combining in-person and online participation in order to reach everyone for Peace Society and Environment meetings, the First Year Coffee house, Chapel, and much more.

StuCo and LLT look forward to continuing in this spirit through the winter. There are a number of open positions on both StuCo and LLT and we look forward to seeing some of you step into these roles, using your creativity to support this community.

Winter term will undoubtedly be different than you might have imagined when you originally signed on for it. Even though so much has changed in the intervening months, Grebel is still a good place to be. The opportunity to live as a part of this large a community during the pandemic is rare and special. I encourage you to embrace this opportunity and make the most of it!

Finally, bring warm clothes! The outdoors is a wonderful place to get together these days, and I foresee that StuCo will keep making use of it for some of our events through the winter.

I look forward to spending time with all of you. See you soon!

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