



# Graduate Student Representative

Attention Graduate Students!!

I recently completed a survey of Upper-level administrators and Chief Housing Officers across the state of North Carolina. I wanted to share some highlights of the results, which can be found below.

I want to continue building connections among graduate students across the state. and for that, I need YOU!

Let's get connected! NCHO wants to build community and foster engagement for graduate students. See below for social media details, email- [graduate-student-rep@ncho.org](mailto:graduate-student-rep@ncho.org) Respond to this survey. Consider writing for The Signpost.



Graduate Students have a lot to offer the state, NCHO, and each other. Let's build this together. Do you have tips, essays you'd like to publish, ideas for engagement? Let's connect!

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**#SACHAT ON TWITTER THURSDAYS 1-2PM**

Chief Housing Officer Tips for job seekers:

Top Skills: When searching for entry-level coordinators, CHO's are seeking a number of skills but communication, crisis management, and supervision were commonly mentioned. CHO's also wanted candidates who had done their homework on the institution,

Top questions to answer include addressing questions on social justice or diversity, connecting theory to practice, and especially being able to answer "Tell us about yourself." Respondents to the survey noted that many applicants struggle in talking about themselves and gave tips including talking about your path, what inspired you, what drew YOU to this position.

Advice: Apply anywhere you believe that you would like to work, if you get a callback then do research on the school. Don't do back to back interview at TPE/etc. Use SOAR (Situation, Obstacle face, Action taken, Result received). Be honest about your experiences and abilities. Be thoroughly familiar with the position.

Asking your own questions is an important part of the interview, interviewees should have some prepared as well. Some examples:

What do you see as the biggest challenge facing your department? What is your onboarding process? How do you support professional development? How does your team currently function, and what gaps are you hoping to fill? What student concerns does this campus commonly see?

## Tentative Upcoming Events

**Graduate Student Summit\***  
- Mid-late April-TBD

**Summer Cookout(\*)**  
- May (~21st-25th)



**Social Justice Drive-In**  
- June (~11th-30th)

**New Graduate Welcome\***  
- Early September

- Bi-weekly email, FB  
Group, or group chat