Statement of Interest

I am running for president of the Graduate Student Council because it will allow me to work on a campus-wide vision to create a collaborative, cohesive UNT graduate community.

I am currently a first-year Master of Public Administration student. I completed my Bachelors in Political Science here at UNT and decided to return to continue my education at this great institution.

I first came to UNT Fall of 2011 and joined the Freshman Intern Program that is run by the Student Government Association. During this time I gained experience with organizations on campus that will allow me to easily coordinate activities for GSC and other graduate student organizations. I took a hiatus from UNT to serve in the military where I learned the value of teamwork and dedication. I returned and completed my bachelors degree in Fall 2016 and enrolled in the MPA program in Fall 2017 to pursue a career in public management.

The main purpose of the GSC is to serve as the voice of the graduate student body, and as president, I will ensure that the administration hears the opinions and needs of the students. I will also meet with other graduate administrations and departments to try to galvanize more participation in the GSC so that it can be a more accurate representation of those needs and interests. My long-term goal as president is to collaborate closely with other university organizations so we can have a strong cohesive voice that we can present to the Texas Legislature during their session in 2019 during which I will advocate on behalf of the graduate student population on topics including funds for educational needs.

Sincerely,
Pedro Zambrano