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## The University of Iowa Student Government: Our Mission

#### About

The University of Iowa Student Government is committed to enhancing the student experience on campus. By challenging ourselves and the University we seek to ensure a student-centered environment through education and advocacy.

## **Purpose**

The University of Iowa Student Government, at its core, exists to empower students. One of the most notable roles of UISG is allocating approximately \$1.7 million from the student activity fee to fund student organizations, leadership development, and student services. We seek to ensure a student-centered environment through education and advocacy by challenging ourselves and the University. UISG consists of three branches: Executive, Legislative, and Judicial.

Outside of funding allocations and lobbying for student concerns at the local, state, and national level, UISG Representatives work to make the everyday student experience more enjoyable.

This year, per the BLOC Party platform, we are working to better lives on campus. This report is to inform the UI community about UISG, our initiatives, and our progress so far.



## **Meet UISG: Executive Branch**

The Executive Branch serves students as direct advocates with administration, within the community, and at the state and federal levels. Executives are charged with completing specific platform initiatives, resolving campus issues and representing students through completed projects.

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# **Meet UISG: Legislative Branch**

The Senate works in open sessions to pass legislation regarding issues of funding, pertinent student concerns, and campus projects. Senators work with the Executive Branch to complete platform initiatives and generate fresh ideas through Senate committees. These nine committees are vital to the discussion and creation of awareness campaigns, education platforms, and policy change. Senate meetings are held Tuesdays at 7 PM in 2520D UCC and students and community members are encouraged to attend.

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## **Senate Committees**

**Academic Affairs:** This committee works on any initiatives related to improving the academic experience.

**Community & Outreach:** This committee works to engage the campus and Iowa City community in public projects benefiting both populations as well as spreading awareness about UISG and student activities.

*Diversity*: This committee works with multi-cultural student organizations and works to ensure a more inclusive environment on campus.

*Governmental Relations*: This committee supports the work of the University's Governmental Relations Office by putting students in contact with legislators and advocating for student needs. The committee also works hard to ensure student involvement in the election process.

*Internal Affairs:* The Internal Affairs Committee is devoted to making sure UISG as a unit functions as efficiently as possible so our organization can best serve students.

*SABAC*: The Student Assembly Budgeting and Allocating Committee (SABAC) is the funding committee of UISG that allocates Student Activity Fee money to student organizations on campus.

*Safety:* The Safety Committee advocates for student security and creates campaigns related to campus safety.

**Student Life:** The UISG Student Life Committee deals with any and all things relating to enhancing student life on campus.

**Sustainability:** The UISG Sustainability Committee works toward establishing a more sustainable campus by working with the Office of Sustainability and collaborating with other organizations on campus.



# **Meet UISG: Judicial Branch**

The Judicial Branch is responsible for resolution of disputes between student organizations, adjudicating parking ticket appeals, and overseeing the UISG election process should issues arise. Justices serve as the final court of appeal for all other student judiciaries oncampus.

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## **UISG Platform Initiatives and Projects**

During the spring 2016 UISG elections, the BLOC party created a platform to serve students for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year. Below are the goals presented when running in the spring, and the progress we have made since being elected. The platform initiatives are divided into "completed" and "in progress" categories for clarity. There are a mix of Executives and Senators working on each project, and if you have any questions, we encourage you to contact the representatives responsible for its research and implementation.

## **Academics**

#### Completed

## **Hawk Shop Sales Tax Elimination**

- **Description:** Iowa tax law exempts academic materials from sales tax, but the University bookstore, the Hawk Shop, was still charging tax. Recognizing this discrepancy, we recognized an opportunity to save students money and brought the issue to UI administration.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman
- Senators Involved: Paul Ruales, Alya Mohd, Marcus Smith
- Notes: UISG passed legislation asking the University to stop charging sales tax on academic materials, in congruence with Iowa tax law. University administration responded, and the Hawk Shop will stop charging sales tax on all purchases. This new policy brings us closer to the goal of making textbooks more affordable for students.
- Related News Coverage: <u>UISG Takes Stand on Sales Tax</u>, <u>Hawk Shop to drop sales tax</u>, <u>Textbook case:</u> <u>No sales tax</u>

## **Actuarial Science Club Study Manual Funding**

- **Description:** The Iowa Actuarial Science Club aims to prepare students for actuarial exams in hopes they can score well and end up at a top-tier graduate school in the future. UISG worked with them to ensure they received adequate study supplies and new manuals for the exam.
- Executives Involved: All Executives
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** UISG allocated \$2177 to the actuarial science club for new manuals to prepare for their exam. These manuals usually last around 3-5 years.

#### In Progress

## Mental Health & Sexual Assault Survivor Accommodations on Syllabi

- **Description:** Due to the hard work of members on our ticket, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences updated its disability statement to include mental health in the spring of 2015, which will benefit students by clarifying what academic accommodations are available for students dealing with incidences related to mental health. We will encourage the other UI colleges to do the same so all faculty and students are aware of resources available for academic-related mental health concerns.
- Executives Involved: Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Academic Affairs Committee
- Notes: UISG members have revised the syllabi statements to include information about academic
  accommodations for students struggling with mental health issues or student survivors of sexual
  misconduct. These revised statements were proposed to the Provost's Office to hopefully be disseminated to
  all UI colleges.

#### **Common Spaces in Pentacrest Buildings**

- **Description:** There are few spaces in the Pentacrest Buildings for students to study, yet a number of students spend a majority of their time in those buildings. We are working with UI administration to implement commons spaces in the Pentacrest buildings for the convenience of students and to build community among students with similar majors.
- Executives Involved: Michael Sylvester
- Senators Involved: Ojas Pradhan, Chloe Cable
- **Notes:** We have learned that some rooms in the Pentacrest area are available Monday Thursday evening, 6:30-10:00 pm. Rooms include 221 MLH, 118 MH, 224 NH, 219 PH, E146 AJB. We are in continued conversations about making study spaces available throughout the day.

## **Pre-Professional Prep Courses**

- **Description:** Increasingly, Iowa students are choosing to continue their education after the completion of their undergraduate degree by attending law school, medical school or graduate school. Placement exams— such as the GRE, MCAT, GMAT AND LSAT—often require extensive preparation. We work with faculty to provide placement exam preparatory classes.
- Executives Involved: Michael Sylvester, Sheng Hao Lu
- Senators Involved: Chloe Cable
- Notes: A proposal was formed and presented to Associate Provost Lon Moeller and the College of Pharmacy representative Richard Barajas. Administration is moving forward with implementing this initiative. They are currently deciding whether these courses will be taught by graduate students or Kaplan course instructors.

#### **Student Access to Evaluations**

- **Description:** The results of course evaluations are unusable by students, and we are working with UI administration to make this important information available to students.
- Executives Involved: Jacob Simpson
- Senators Involved: Chloe Cable
- Notes: The UISG Senate passed a resolution in support for student access to course evaluations.
   Proposals have been formed and presented to ITS, the Center for Teaching, Kathy Hall from CLAS, and Faculty Senate.
- Related News Coverage: <u>UISG Calls for Open Evaluations</u>

#### **Streamline Undergraduate Research**

- **Description:** As a major public research institution, we should encourage undergraduate students to take advantage of top-tier research opportunities early in their education. We will work with the Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates (ICRU) to create a First-Year Research Program, modeled after Iowa State University's mentor program, to make it easier for undergraduates to find professionals in their field who will mentor their research. We aim to streamline the mentor finding process for students with the goal of getting students involved with research earlier. We are currently looking at platform providers to see which format would work best for the University of Iowa. In addition, we are meeting with ITS to understand the University's infrastructure for sustaining this platform.
- Executives Involved: Titus Hou
- Senators Involved: Ojas Pradhan, Avery Qin
- **Notes:** UISG met with the Vice President for Research and Economic Development, Dan Reed, to explore options to implement a streamlined program. Senators are also meeting with CLAS faculty to learn about their process for hiring undergraduates for research.

#### **Summer Hawk Scholarships for Transfer Students**

- **Description:** Students who transfer to UI are ineligible for the Summer Hawk Tuition Grant, which covers all tuition costs for in-state students and the difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition for out-of-state students for one summer. We will advocate for the expansion of the Summer Hawk Tuition Grant to assist transfer students with their transition to Iowa by promoting affordability.
- Executive lead: N/A
- **Senators Involved:** Joe Reed, Bailey Carroll
- **Notes:** The Summer Hawk Tuition program has been revised and is currently under review As a result, UISG will shift our focus to providing transfer students access to campus scholarships.

## **Mid-Semester Evaluations**

- **Description:** We are encouraging the development of mid-semester course evaluations to make faculty aware of students' response to teaching practices. This will encourage faculty members to make adjustments halfway through the semester based on the needs of their students. Some Professors agree with the idea and are moving forward to implement it.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Lindsey Rayner, Marcus Smith
- Notes: We are working on collecting data from professors to gather empirical evidence to encourage all
  faculty to offer mid-semester evaluations in their classes the next academic year. Some Professors expressed
  interest in having mid-semester evaluations for their students already and plan on utilizing them this
  semester and in future years. There is the possibility of making mid-semester reports available in general
  education courses.

## **Textbook Reporting Deadlines for Professors**

- **Description:** As part of UISG's plan to keep textbooks affordable for students, we aim to hold Professors accountable on reporting what textbooks are necessary for a class as early as possible. Doing so will give students more time to figure out their necessary materials and purchase textbooks before the general demand rises.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Taishen Di, Alya Mohd
- **Notes:** Both Senators involved meet regularly with textbook affordability committees featuring relevant University administrators and plan on implementing calculated measures to hold Professors more accountable in reaching deadlines for textbook reporting.

## **Study Abroad Scholarships**

- Description: Studying abroad is a one-of-a-kind experience that all students should have access to. UISG
  will be working with the study abroad office to ensure that students receive adequate support to visit other
  countries during their time at the University.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Chloe Cable, Akash Bhalerao, Elliott Smith
- **Notes:** UISG members are working with UI International Programs to discuss expanding scholarships for students interested in studying abroad.

#### **GPSG Forum and Collaboration**

- **Description**: UISG and the Graduate Professional Student Government (GPSG) are working towards to having an event where undergraduate students can connect with graduate students in various University of Iowa graduate programs to discuss program requirements and feedback.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Marcus Smith, Alya Mohd
- **Notes:** Meetings were established with a GPSG representative and the Career Center to establish a collaborative effort between the different relevant organizations. Next steps will go towards the implementation of the event.



## **Diversity and Inclusion**

## **Completed**

#### **NCBI Training for UISG**

- **Description:** To better understand the diverse backgrounds of students on campus, UISG executives are committed to undergoing NCBI training on an annual basis.
- Executives Involved: Brian Leal
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: The entire UISG Executive Branch took part in the NCBI training in February. We are also working with CDO employee Brianna Marcelo to expand NCBI trainings for other students. Currently, most NCBI trainings are offered during the week and we are looking to have more sessions on Saturdays.

## **Denouncing of Conversion Therapy**

- **Description:** UISG backed Iowa Senate Bill SF74 and a proclamation made by Iowa City against conversion therapy. The city said conversion therapy "is a dangerous, harmful, unscientific, and illegitimate practice that should be discouraged, denounced, and abandoned as means to change a person's sexual orientation or gender."
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman
- Senators Involved: Dan Solon, Sean Finn, Alex Bare
- Related News Coverage: <u>UISG Moves Against 'Conversion Therapy'</u>

#### **Gender Neutral Restrooms**

- **Description:** With the addition of gender neutral restrooms in places like the IMU, Hancher Auditorium, and Petersen Residence Hall, the UI has made great progress on this issue in recent years. During the spring of 2015, an all-campus restroom audit took place to identify single-use restrooms that can be converted to gender neutral restrooms. Ultimately, 147 restrooms were identified as gender-inclusive. A list of all single-user, gender-neutral restrooms on campus can be found here: https://maps.uiowa.edu/amenity/single-user-gender-inclusive-restrooms
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Sean Finn, Daniel Solon, Chloe Cable
- **Notes:** Over the past year, the University has made significant progress on this issue. Moving forward, UISG will continue to advocate for gender-neutral restrooms in buildings across campus. The goals is to have, at a minimum, one gender-inclusive restroom in every campus building.
- Related News Coverage: <u>University of Iowa converting nearly 150 campus bathrooms to gender-inclusive</u>

#### **International Student Tours at Orientation**

- **Description:** UISG hopes to see international and domestic student orientation programs better integrated to encourage friendships between students from the beginning of their time on campus. We assisted with current efforts to gather volunteers to host tours for international students and have student leaders who are eager to talk about student life during Orientation Week.
- Executives Involved: Brian Leal
- Senators involved: Akash Bhalerao
- Notes: Over the summer, we announced our plans to partner with UIowa Associated Residence Halls (ARH), University of Iowa Admissions Office, and University of Iowa International Programs to offer campus tours during international student orientation for the first time. We also recruited current UI students to volunteer to accompany these tours to begin fostering friendships with incoming international students. Now we are in conversation with the same partners to ensure this is a sustainable program for years to come.

## Cambus Route and Bus Stop for the Cultural and Resource Centers

- **Description:** The BLOC Party promised to expand the Cambus routes so that they would reach the different cultural houses on campus in effort to improve access to the area and to improve the quality of the living conditions there.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: UISG worked with President Bruce Harreld and Parking & Transportation to implement the new Cambus route and stop. It serves as an important improvement for the students who use the cultural centers, as it increases accessibility for students wishing to maximize use of the facilities.
- Relative News Coverage: CAMBUS changes for the fall of 2016

#### **Preferred Pronouns and Preferred Names**

- **Description:** The University changed record-keeping data to hold preferred names, pronouns, and gender as separate from sex. UISG worked to ensure this new practice was seen to completion and reflected in the way records are handled throughout UI.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- **Senators Involved:** Sean Finn
- **Notes:** This change will set high standards for inclusivity and make Iowa a model for peer institutions in the Big Ten and across the nation.

## **Humans of UI Election Response**

- **Description:** In light of the results of the 2016 presidential election, many UI students across the political spectrum reached out to UISG to ask that we facilitate an opportunity for students to listen to one another. UISG worked to create an outlet for students to voice their feelings on the election results, by inviting students to write a response and take a photograph for UISG to share in a "Humans of New York" style photo album on Facebook.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** The Humans of UI photo album is on UISG's Facebook page and received a significant amount of positive attention. We are looking to expand this initiative to include other populations on campus and their perspectives such as first-generation students, international students, and student with disabilities.

#### **Cultural Center Community Discussions with University Leadership**

- **Description:** UISG and GPSG organized community discussions at all four Cultural and Resource Centers with President Harreld. This was an opportunity to engage in direct conversation with students who use the centers. It was a wonderful time to engage in productive dialogue about how we can work together to make our campus community more inclusive and how we can continue to improve the Centers.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Brian Leal
- Senators Involved: Alya Mohd, Jessica Owens
- **Notes:** UISG members are currently working with a team of administrators to develop a plan to respond to the comprehensive list of concerns that we heard during the discussions. We will plan follow-up conversations to update students on this progress.

## Advocate for the Hiring of Diverse Faculty and Staff

- **Description:** UISG will work with academic administration to continue advocating for the hiring of diverse faculty members and university staff. Research suggests it is important for students to learn from people who then identify with. Hiring faculty members from a wide variety of backgrounds is an important first step towards eliminating microaggressions in the classroom and solidifying University-wide commitment to supporting a welcoming academic environment.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Chloe Cable
- **Notes:** UISG passed a joint resolution with the Graduate & Professional Student Government in support of the university hiring more diverse faculty and staff. Our advocacy, combined with the advocacy of others, led to the University including the goal of recruiting and retaining diverse faculty and staff in the 2016-2021

strategic plan.

#### Support "All In" Residence Hall LLC

- **Description:** University Housing & Dining responded to student advocates and groups like Spectrum UI, Trans Alliance, and STEM in the creation of the "All In" living learning community. This new LLC, which will be introduced to campus for the 2017-2018 academic year, will be focused on creating a community for LGBTO+ students in the residence halls.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Sean Finn, Daniel Solon
- **Notes:** UISG passed legislation in support of the creation of this new LLC. The idea is currently being developed in Residence Education and the LLC should be available for fall 2017 incoming students.
- Related News Coverage: UISG All In On Creating All In Community

#### National Pan-Hellenic Council Plots

- **Description:** The NPHC is composed of 9 traditionally Black, unhoused Greek chapters. NPHC has had a presence at the University of Iowa since 1911. In order to celebrate the significant contributions these organizations have had at the UI, the IMU has dedicated a ploy of land near Danforth Chapel to commemorate the "Divine Nine" NPHC chapters. The total project cost was about \$60,000.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Noopur Inani
- Senators Involved: Brooke Kimbrough, Anthony Yang
- **Notes:** UISG passed a bill to give \$7,700 to support this project. GPSG will also contribute, thus making the total student government gift \$10,000 for the plots.
- Related News Coverage: UISG Gets on Board with Black Chapters

## Support "No Dakota Access Pipeline" Movement

- **Description:** The Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) is an underground crude oil pipeline that passes through North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, and Illinois. The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe expressed concern about this pipeline because of the potential for it to threaten their water supply and interfere with cultural, religious, and ancient burial sites. UISG Senators Owens and Finn proposed legislation to stand in solidarity with the activists calling for "No DAPL."
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Jessica Owens, Sean Finn
- **Notes:** UISG passed legislation that resolved to stand in solidarity with the No DAPL Movement. In December, President Obama called for a halt to construction of the pipeline.
- Related News Coverage: UISG Opposes Pipeline

#### **Trans\* Student Support Fund**

- **Description:** This semester UISG worked with the Dean of Students and Student Legal Services to create a fund that will help transgender students who are transitioning obtain legal documents like a driver's license and birth certificate with their correct gender and preferred name. This fund provides monetary support to students with demonstrated financial need and can be utilized by contacting the Dean of Students.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Titus
- Senators Involved: Sean Finn
- Notes: With co-sponsorship between UISG and GPSG, this fund will total \$1,500 each year.
- Related News Coverage: UISG, UI fund to aid trans students

## Trans-Inclusive University of Iowa Health Plan

- **Description:** For transgender individuals, a safe and timely transition, as prescribed by their physicians, is medically necessary. Studies show that it is more costly to withhold health insurance coverage for transition needs because of the high costs related to mental health, substance abuse help, etc. that accrue when individuals cannot transition appropriately. UISG worked to expand coverage for all transition healthcare needs.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators involved: Sean Finn
- Notes: Thanks to the advocacy of students in and outside of UISG, the new health

plan launched for the fall semester and is now available to anyone needing these services.

## **Gender Inclusive Housing**

- **Description:** Certain housing establishments on campus do not possess adequate ways to accommodate for students with different gender identities. UISG worked with administrators to better improve housing conditions for all gender identities.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Sean Finn, Dan Solon
- **Notes:** Senators worked with the Queer Leadership Roundtable and representatives from University Housing to establish a process for gender inclusive housing that will take effect next semester.

#### In Progress

## Comprehensive Plan for Cultural & Resource Centers

- **Description:** The four cultural and resource centers on the West Side of campus have the potential to be great resources for Iowa students. Currently, however, some of the cultural houses have leaking roofs, broken A/C, low staffing, short hours, and a general lack of upkeep. UISG plans to work with students who use the cultural houses to determine the best plan of action for the future of the houses. We will talk to student organization leaders who have stakes in the cultural centers to determine the best course of action for the future of the houses.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Brian Leal
- Senators Involved: Paul Ruales
- **Notes:** Some major strides have made on this initiative. Over the summer, UISG advocated for and successfully secured the support of administrators to make short-term, structural improvements in all four centers. These changes are intended to ensure that the houses are functional while we pursue a long-term plan with the communities that use the centers.

#### **Halal Food On-Campus**

- **Description:** UISG hopes to accommodate the dietary needs of more students by improving access to halal foods at campus dining centers.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Alya Mohd
- **Notes:** Currently, University Dining is working with other universities in Iowa to look at the quality of halal meat provided by their contract distributor.

## **Johnson County Community ID**

- **Description:** Some UI students and people in the Iowa City community have trouble gaining traditional forms of identification, like a driver's license. UISG hopes to work with community partners to make the recently-created Johnson County Community ID more visible and widespread.
  - Executives Involved: N/A
  - Senators Involved: Lilian Sanchez, Bruno Ponce
  - Notes: Currently, UISG members are working to integrate community IDs on campus. They are presenting to the Center for Workers Justice, who helped create the Johnson County community ID, and will work with this group moving forward to raise awareness for community IDs on campus.

## **International Student Support**

- **Description:** UISG wants to ensure that all international students feel welcome and supported on campus. We are researching a variety of ways to improve the international experience at Iowa.
- Executives Involved: Brian Leal
- Senators Involved: Tom Bowman, Ranan Fattal, Akash Bhalerao
- Notes: Members of UISG have scheduled a meeting with President Harreld to discuss options to

complement support and outreach work that offices and student organizations already do for international students.

## **Removing Umbrella Structures**

- **Description:** UISG would like to re-evaluate and improve the process for the selection of Constituency Senators. The goal is to ensure better representation of University of Iowa students by involving all pertinent student organizations in the Senator selection process. We hope this yields a more collaborative process that ensures the representation of all identities and fair resource allocation among multicultural groups.
- Executives Involved: Brian Leal, Sheng Hao Lu
- Senators Involved: Alya Mohd, Brooke Kimbrough, Jessica Owens, Dan Solon, Ben Haar
- **Notes:** Currently, we are working with individual communities to identify a system that works best for them and will institute a new process for the spring 2017 elections.

#### **Increased Outreach to First Generation Students**

- **Description:** The UI has a proud history of supporting first-generation college students. UISG hopes to continue and expand current efforts to provide first-generation students with career, academic and financial mentorship at Iowa.
- Executives Involved: Brian Leal, Sheng Hao Lu
- Senators Involved: Lillian Sanchez, Bruno Ponce,
- **Notes**: Currently, UISG in the process of working on a video to showcase the different stories of first generation students on campus. Members are reaching out directly to first generation students and administrators to produce it. Completion is aimed to be finished around the month of April.

## **Improved Study Spaces for Veterans**

- **Description:** The Veteran's common space currently is facing maintenance problems and is in need of dire upgrades for students wanting to study there. UISG hopes to work with administrators to make sure veteran's possesses the best conditions possible for their success at the university.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Ben Haar
- **Notes:** Meetings are set up with the diversity office and maintenance is currently looking at ways to improve the current conditions of their common space.

#### MSM Peer Sexual Health Program

- **Description:** There is a growing rate of STDs among the homosexual community on campus. UISG is planning outreach to these groups in hopes of lowering the rate and creating a safer climate for students in the LGBTQ community.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Alex Bare, Elliot Smith
- Notes: UISG members are currently working on an in-depth proposal to bring to the Executive Branch.

## **Governmental Relations**



## **Completed**

#### **Voter ID Law Condemnation**

- **Description:** UISG passed a resolution condemning the bill proposed in the Iowa legislature that would require voter IDs at the election polls. President Zuckerman also wrote and co-signed a statement with student body presidents from Iowa State University and University of Northern Iowa, which speaks out against laws that make it significantly harder for students to vote.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Andrew Namanny
- Senators Involved: Mitchell Dunn, Jenna Pokorny, Andy Han
- Related News Coverage: Concerns Raised on Voter-ID Proposal, UISG opposes voter ID

## **Support for Undocumented Students**

- **Description:** UISG passed a resolution to stand in solidarity with undocumented students as well as support the continuation of the "Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival" (DACA) program through the BRIDGE Act. UISG also sponsored a similar piece of legislation that was passed at the Assocation of Big Ten Students Winter Conference.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Lilian Sanchez, Gustave Stewart
- Related News Coverage: UISG Backs DACA Students

#### **Campus Voter Registration and Turnout Efforts**

- **Description:** Millennials have historically voted at low levels in US elections. In hopes of raising turnout at the University of Iowa, UISG aimed to register over 4,000 students for the 2016 elections
- Executives Involved: Andrew Namanny, Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Mitchell Dunn, Hallee Haygood, Andy Han, Lilian Sanchez
- Notes: UISG collaborated with the Iowa Secretary of State's office to contract with TurboVote, a platform that allows students to register to vote online and get information about how to vote. UISG helped register 3,562 new voters on campus and our "get out the vote" efforts helped contribute to the record-breaking voter turnout in Johnson County this year.
- Related News Coverage: Turbo-ing the Vote for College Students

#### Walk 2 Vote Event

- **Description:** To ensure high student voter turnout, UISG hosted an exciting event to encourage students to vote early at the IMU. We partnered with a class from the Event Planning certificate program to organize this event.
- Executives Involved: Andrew Namanny
- Senators Involved: Mitchell Dunn
- **Notes:** The event was successfully held on October 24<sup>th</sup> at Old Brick.

## **Election Night Watch Party**

- **Description:** UISG hosted an election results viewing party to excited students about the democratic process. Again, we partnered with a class from the Event Planning certificate program to organize this event.
- Executives Involved: Andrew Namanny
- Senators Involved: Mitchell Dunn
- Notes: The event was held on Election Night, November 8th, and was very well attended by students.

- **Description:** President Zuckerman worked with Big Ten leaders through the Association of Big Ten Students to organize a day of federal advocacy surrounding mental health legislation, including the Mental Health on Campus Improvement Act and Mental Health Reform Act. The goal was to ensure that mental health legislation became a priority of the lame duck session before Congress adjourned for the year.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** With the help of student advocacy, the 114<sup>th</sup> US Congress passed the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Cures Act in December 2016, which allocates new resources and support to mental health and addiction services.
- Related News Coverage: Big Ten Students Advocate for Mental Health Legislation Reform, Students Unite on Mental Health

## **Iowa City Apartment Recycling**

- **Description:** A large portion of our UI student population lives in off-campus housing. Iowa City apartments have not been required to provide the opportunity for their tenants to recycle, forcing students to either forego recycling completely or take their items to a recycling facility. This has serious sustainability implications for the city, so UISG began advocating for the city to require all apartments to provide recycling for their tenants.
- Executives Involved: Jake Simpson, Benjamin Nelson
- Senators Involved: Jamie Porter, Ranan Fattal
- **Notes:** After nearly four years of advocacy by UISG members, the Iowa City City Council passed an ordinance requiring all apartment complexes to provide tenants with access to recycling services.
- Related News Coverage: City Eyes Recycling Moves

#### In progress

## Advocate for a State-Wide Medical Amnesty Law

- **Description:** Medical amnesty is a policy that protects persons who are victims of a medical emergency that involves some sort of illicit activity from prosecution related to the aforementioned activity. The University of Iowa has a policy similar to this known as the Responsible Action Protocol (RAP) that would protect students from academic discipline but not legal discipline. A medical amnesty policy providing legal protection can only be implemented at the state level, therefore UISG has been working in conjunction with Iowa State's student government to develop an appropriate policy and lobby for said policy once the legislative session convenes in January.
- Executives Involved: Benjamin Nelson, Andrew Namanny, Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Lilian Sanchez, Tom Bowman, Mitchell Dunn
- Notes: The first semester of the academic school year focused on policy development, receiving feedback from administrators, law enforcement, and legislators revising the policy proposal as needed. The UISG Senate passed a resolution supporting a state-wide medical amnesty policy. UISG will continue their advocacy efforts and travel to Des Moines to advocate for the passage of a bill once the legislative session begins in January 2017. Senator Brad Zaun sponsored the legislation and is currently passed the sub-committees. Voting on it in committee will happen within the next few days.
- Related News Coverage: <u>UISG Moves on Medical Amnesty</u>

#### **Lobby for Tuition Affordability**

- **Description:** We continued UISG's long history of meeting with state and federal legislators to ensure our representatives understand the value of a University of Iowa education. We worked tirelessly to ensure UI students get the highest quality education for the most affordable price.
- Executives Involved: Andrew Namanny, Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Mitchell Dunn
- Notes: Over the summer, President Zuckerman gathered student feedback about the Board of Regents
  proposed tuition increase and suggested a compromise proposal at the June Board meeting. The
  Regents responded by lowering the tuition increase for resident students by \$50. UISG has continued
  to meet with state legislators to advocate for state appropriations and with the Board of Regents to
  advocate for smaller increases and more equal increases between resident and non-resident students.
- Related News Coverage: Regents Mull Tuition Increase, Tuition on the Loose Again, Regents Take
  First Step Toward Tuition Increase, Regents Move Closer to Tuition Hikes at UI, ISU, UNI

## **Hawkeye Caucus**

- **Description:** Each year, UISG collaborates with Hawkeye Caucus to take busloads of students to the Iowa State Capitol to advocate for tuition affordability with state legislators. This year, UISG has created a state legislative agenda that includes more issues that face students other than tuition.
- Executives Involved: Andrew Namanny, Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Mitchell Dunn
- **Notes:** UISG hosted a successful Hawkeye Caucus training with local legislators at our Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Hawkeye Caucus Day 2017 is planned for April 4<sup>th</sup>.



## **Safety**

## **Completed**

## **UISG Response to Hate Crime on Campus**

- **Description:** In light of a reported hate crime committed at the University of Iowa, the University of Iowa Student government worked with the Office of the President and GPSG to release a statement that encouraged diversity and inclusion on campus while also condemning the violent act altogether.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Kelly Shearer
- Senators Involved: Tayo Ajose
- Notes: UISG worked with the Office of the President and GPSG to release another statement post investigation. In light of the incident, the University opened up the Biased Actions Response Team (BART) to combat prejudicial biases on campus. UISG also allowed for unlimited access to Safe Ride services until the end of finals

#### It's On Us Welcome Week

- **Description:** It's On Us was started by President Obama's administration to bring national awareness to the issue of sexual violence and misconduct on college campuses. UISG wants to continue the work by exploring awareness, education, and policy options. Studies indicate that most sexual assaults occur within the first six weeks of the semester. Thus, UISG sought to launch the campaign early in the year to proactively combat the issue.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Sara Bultsma
- **Senators Involved:** Lily Burns
- Notes: This year, UISG hosted a week of welcome to encourage students to take the It's On Us Pledge and help stop sexual assault on campus. Executives, Senators, and other Iowa students were encouraged to change their profile pictures on Facebook to raise awareness of the issue, hosted a photo campus, and wrote an op-ed for the Daily Iowan. UISG will also be aiming to make sure this event continues in future administrations on campus.

#### University of Iowa It's On Us PSA

- **Description:** The national It's On Us organization creates PSAs to educate people and invite them to take the pledge and take a stand against campus sexual assault. Schools across the country have taken that model and created PSAs specific to their campuses with their own student leaders and university administration. UISG worked to create a PSA specific to our campus.
- Executives Involved: Sara Bultsma
- **Senators Involved:** Rachel Langholz, Lily Burns
- Notes: The PSA was created and stars UI student athletes, student leaders, and UI President Harreld. UISG shared the PSA on social media, and hopes to collaborate with university athletics to show it at future football and basketball games. The PSA can viewed here: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PIqEwJHmNDo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PIqEwJHmNDo</a>

#### **Student Mental Health Fee**

- **Description:** While mental health has been a growing topic on college campuses across the nation, the University of Iowa campus has continued to struggle to provide an adequate amount of mental health resources for our growing student population. To combat this issue, UISG advocated for mental health funding from the state legislature last year. When those efforts did not result in additional funding, UISG began advocating for a new student mental health fee.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Andrew Namanny
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: In addition to last year's UISG administration advocacy efforts, this year UISG proposed and advocated for a new student mental health fee to the Board of Regents. The Board passed this new fee during their December meeting. This new fee puts the UI on track to hiring eight new counselors for the University Counseling Services by 2018, which will help reduce wait times for counseling appointments

and expand counseling resources on campus.

• Related News Coverage: <u>UI Student Groups Back Mental Health Fee</u>, <u>Tuition to increase at Iowa's state</u>
Universities

#### **Addiction and Substance Abuse Recovery Services**

- **Description:** UISG is working to provide more formal support to students attempting to recover from substance abuse and addiction. There are currently several models of institutional support on campuses throughout the US, and we will work to determine the model that will best fit the University of Iowa.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: Discussions with the University Counseling Services, Student Health and Wellness, UIHC, and other campus partners are occurring to establish support services for students. UCS will launching a new support group for recovering students who would like to explore sobriety this semester.

## True@theU Mental Health Awareness Video Campaign

- **Description:** True@TheU was started by UISG Senators last year and officially launched this year in partnership with Active Minds at the University of Iowa. The goal of True@theU is to encourage dialogue around mental health concerns by sharing stories, thoughts, and advice from University of Iowa community members. As part of this campaign, nearly 20 UI students got on camera to share their story about mental health in an effort to destignatize mental illness.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman
- **Senators involved:** Lily Burns
- **Notes:** True@TheU videos were shared throughout the month of October as part of a month of activities surrounding mental health. There are plans to engage in another True@TheU campaign this upcoming month
- Related News Coverage: Guest Opinion: At UI, Your Mental Health Matters, UI Groups Move on Mental Health

## **Improve off Campus Lighting**

- **Description:** All students should feel safe walking home at night. UISG is working to identify off-campus areas with inadequate lighting and communicate with the City to address the problem areas.
- Executives Involved: Sara Bultsma, Jacob Simpson
- Senators Involved: Connor Gronski, Lily Burns
- Notes: UISG performed a walk around the entire UI campus to determine which lights needed repair. They also surveyed students for responses on where they felt lighting was inadequate. Facilities Management was very responsive and open to our proposals and will be towards improving lighting conditions.
- Related News Coverage: Fighting the Dim of the Night

## **Healthy Relations Week**

- **Description:** To encourage safe relations between couples on Campus, UISG hosted a weeklong event informing people of the potential dangers in relationships and how to improve behavior. It also promoted proper ways to live healthily with a significant other and relationship advice.
- Executives Involved: Sara Bultsma
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** The event took place the week of February 13<sup>th</sup>. UISG hopes to continue these types of events and promotions in future years.

#### In Progress

## **Anti-Stalking Campaign**

- **Description:** Stalking, especially cyber-stalking, is a growing problem on our campus. We will work with local enforcement to develop educational programs that keep students safe from perpetrators stalking.
- Executives Involved: Sara Bultsma
- Senators Involved: N/A

• Notes: UISG is collaborating with RVAP and WRAC to create an anti-stalking poster campaign that helps students understand what stalking is and where to get help if they are being stalked. The posters will be distributed across campus, on social media, in Cambuses, and promoted by WRAC, University of Iowa social media, UISG, and RVAP.

#### Student Life



## **Completed:**

## Monthly Coffee on T-Anne Cleary Walkway

- **Description:** During the Spring Semester of 2016, UISG hosted its first ever "Breakfast with UISG" where students received free coffee and could talk with UISG officials to learn more about them. The event was a great success. UISG will continue this initiative with free coffee monthly to hear student feedback and interact with our constituents. Due to the success found with this initiative in the fall, we plan to continue Breakfast with UISG into the spring semester. The event has been a good way to get feedback and interact with our constituents and collect information for our social media outreach.
- Executives Involved: Titus Hou
- Senators Involved: Daniel Solon
- **Notes:** We successfully hosted three events last semester along with another one this semester and have had a great response from students. We enjoy the opportunity to engage with students and discuss issues that are important to them.

## Umbrella and Charger Check Out at IMU Welcome Center

- **Description:** UISG hopes to expand the popular UISG Charger Checkout program that currently exists in the Main Library and add it to the IMU Welcome Desk. The Charger Checkout program will allow students to borrow phone and laptop chargers with their student ID. We also know a major inconvenience for students is forgetting an umbrella at home on a rainy day. UISG is working with the IMU Welcome Center to have umbrellas available to check out with a student ID.
- **Executives Involved:** Kelly Shearer
- Executives Involved: Ben Hyland, Lindsey Rayner
- Notes: A check out and inventory system will be installed at the Welcome Center in next semester.
- There will be Umbrellas and phone chargers available for students to checkout use their university ID.
- Related News Coverage: IMU Charges Into Better Service

## Yik Yak "Down Vote Hate" Campaign

- **Description:** UISG launched a new marketing campaign called "Down Vote Hate," which encourages students to down vote negative, hateful, or bigoted messages on online platforms such as Yik Yak.
- Executives Involved: Kelly Shearer, Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** For more information about the campaign, follow the link to UISG'S Down Vote Hate page on our website: <a href="https://uisg.uiowa.edu/campaigns/down-vote-hate/">https://uisg.uiowa.edu/campaigns/down-vote-hate/</a>.
- Related News Coverage: Hate Speech Gets a "No"

## Movie Screening of "Starving the Beast"

- **Description:** UISG wants to help educate students on the costs of a college education and what students can do to gain a better understanding of the problems facing academic society. Therefore, UISG is proud tobe working with the University to show the film "Starving the Beast."
- Executives Involved: Andrew Namanny
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes**: The showing had over 400 people attending it. As a follow up, UISG funded a speaker to talk about college affordability this semester.

#### Yoga on Campus

- **Description:** Outdoor yoga is a favorite event during On Iowa, and yoga has been shown to relieve stress and improve mental health. UISG will partner with Recreation Services to have outdoor yoga sessions throughout the year in places like Hubbard Park.
- Executives Involved: Andrew Namanny
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: Many students participated in the event and UISG hopes to continue hosting the event down the road

#### **Undergraduate Food Accessibility and Affordability Task Force**

- **Description:** President Zuckerman commissioned a task force to look at the issue of student access to affordable food. This task force is looking at issues including but not limited to: affordability, food insecurity, food stamps and other government programs, local/fresh/sustainable options, the availability of affordable and healthy options on and near campus, University Housing and Dining, and BLOC Party platform items related to food/dining.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Jacob Simpson, Benjamin Nelson, Shelby Cain
- **Senators Involved:** Lindsey Rayner
- Notes: The foremost priority of this group will be to propose problems and solutions to the University's Student Housing and Dining Strategy Implementation Team (SIT 6). This taskforce has met three times last semester and members have discussed and researched more nutritional options in the dining halls and C-Store, displaying nutritional facts with food on-campus, affordability metrics for food on and off-campus, and much more. The taskforce will continue meeting and working this semester and meets regularly.

## **Undergraduate Housing Task Force**

- **Description:** President Zuckerman commissioned a task force to look the issue of student housing. This task force is looking at issues including but not limited to: affordability, landlord-tenant relations, Iowa City policies, University Housing and Dining, and BLOC Party platform items related to housing.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Jacob Simpson, Benjamin Nelson, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Mariah Prendergast
- Notes: The foremost priority of this group will be to propose problems and solutions to the University's Student Housing and Dining Strategy Implementation Team (SIT 6). The task force has met three times last semester and discussed and researched what other universities are doing to tackle this issue, an affordability metric for student housing, and strategies to make on-campus housing more affordable for students, and much more. The taskforce continues to meet and working this semester.
- Related News Coverage: Affordable Housing Draws Attention

#### **Monthly Lean In Circle**

- **Description:** Each month, UISG hosts Lean In Circles meetings for female-identifying students on campus. Inspired by the Sheryl Sandberg's national bestseller "Lean In," UISG Lean In Circles aim to provide a space where women from all backgrounds can gain peer support, learn to advocate for themselves, and celebrate one another's accomplishments.
- Executives Involved: Lauren Freeman, Rachel Zuckerman
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: UISG hosted four successful circles this academic year and plans on hosting more this semester
- Related News Coverage: Learning to "Lean In" Together

## Improve Wi-Fi at Kinnick

- **Description:** Information Technology Services (ITS) is constantly updating campus Wi-Fi to make it faster, easier and better for students. As Wi-Fi improvement projects continue, we are encouraging ITS toexpand improved Wi-Fi to Historic Kinnick Stadium so it is not as difficult to access the Internet on gamedays.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- **Senators Involved:** Emma Stier
- **Notes:** Athletics has been involved in negotiations to provide more Wi-Fi at Kinnick. These improvements are planned to be in place as soon as contracts are signed. The improvements will be solidified and installed by the next football season.

## Free Speech Symposium

- **Description:** UISG wants to empower student rights to free speech on campus. As a result, UISG is sponsoring an event hosted by GPSG, which features a wide variety of Professors and political analysts to discuss different subject matters on the first amendment.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Joe Reed
- Notes: The event is titled "Honoring and Hating Free Speech: The Challenges of The First Amendment"

and will take place on March 28th. UISG agreed to allocate \$10,000 towards the event.

• Related News Coverage: UISG backs free-speech event

## **Lockers on Campus**

- **Description:** Unlike graduate students, staff and faculty, undergraduates have the unique challenge of not having offices on campus to store their belongings. Instead, they rely on carrying around overly-stuffed backpacks all day long. We would like to install lockers available to undergraduates in the Main Library or the IMU.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Alexia Sanchez, Tom Bowman
- Notes: We received a good amount of feedback on the demand of students on campus and will be meeting with Dr. Bill Nelson in a week or two to discuss our findings and hopefully move towards finalizing plans for installing lockers in the IMU. UISG agreed to fund \$10,048.74 to the Lockers on Campus initiative for one year to fund the installation of lockers on the ground floor of the Iowa Memorial Union. They will be installed during Spring Break.
- Related News Coverage: Lockers Heading to the IMU

## **Increase in Napping Station Chairs**

- **Description:** Last year, UISG aided established a napping station called the "Rest Nest" in the IMU and purchased multiple chairs for the room. Due to the high demand to use the room and the chairs in it, UISG approved funding for 2 additional chairs for the room
- Executives Involved: Lauren Freeman, Titus Hou
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** Total costs amounted to \$3,192 for the chairs. UISG is also pursuing the possibility of setting up a napping station in the main library.

## In Progress

#### Celebrate Undergraduate Art

- **Description:** UI has outstanding and innovative art programs. We will encourage the placement of a gallery in the IMU to showcase the creative work of undergraduate students in these programs. The Iowa City community is known for celebrating arts and the humanities, and we would like to give our peers a chance to celebrate artistic work in a visible campus space. We will also collaborate with undergraduate art students to paint the white tunnels on campus, like the one by the IMU, to enhance our campus visual culture.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Lindsey Rayner, Alexia Sanchez, Lily Burns
- **Notes:** In addition to the murals on campus tunnels that undergraduate art students will most likely get to showcase their artistic talents through, UISG is also working to incorporate more undergraduate art within the IMU. UISG is working to create a proposal requesting that a mural is painted by an undergraduate student in the IMU. The mural application deadline is March 24<sup>th</sup> and the overarching theme for it is "under-represented at Iowa"

## **Food Trucks on Campus**

- **Description:** UISG is striving to provide UI students with efficient and affordable food vendors so they can grab healthy meals between classes. Food trucks offer such service and would add to the culture of the University of Iowa community. The BLOC Party will advocate for relaxed restrictions on food truck son campus and work with UI Housing & Dining to encourage the development of food truck initiatives.
- Executives Involved: Lauren Freeman
- **Senators Involved:** Lindsey Rayner, Lily Burns
- Notes: Hosted two food trucks near the IMU on Friday, October 28th for "Spooky Food Truck Friday." 97 students, faculty, and staff visited the lunch time event. An Operations Team ad hoc team has been created to evaluate issues and provide recommendations on campus. This committee has put together a proposal for the Operations Team to review. The proposal's contents covered a goal to produce a list of University approved locations and venders. It also will contain a guide for student organizations or departments to communicate clear steps in the process to invite the approved food trucks to the approved

locations. The approval of this proposal is pending.

## **Moped Parking Permits**

- **Description:** The City of Iowa City and the University of Iowa require separate permits for moped parking. UISG is working with stakeholders to converge these permits into one streamlined process. Additionally, we will advocate for more moped parking, as there currently is not enough to meet the highdemand.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Bailey Carrol, Ranan Fattal, Lindsey Rayner
- Notes: UISG members have been meeting with Parking & Transportation representatives. There will be specific information added to campus parking maps regarding moped needs. Data is being collected on the current use of mopeds on campus. Some initial steps and meetings are taking place in order to integrate the purchasing of moped permits for the University and the purchasing of moped permits for Iowa City.

#### **Art Murals in UI Tunnels**

- **Description:** The University of Iowa has a number of tunnels on walking paths across campus that provide a blank slate for talented UI art students to create beautiful murals that make our campus more vibrant. UISG is working to acquire permission to work with the Art Department to create murals on these tunnels.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Emma Stier, Abby Simon, Alexia Sanchez, Lindsey Rayner
- **Notes:** UISG has acquired permission from Facilities Management and the railroad company that the tunnels are associated with. Next steps include working with the Art Department to solidify a plan moving forward to create murals on these tunnels.
- Related News Coverage: UISG Pushes For New Murals

#### **Student Discounts at Downtown Businesses**

- **Description:** UISG is working with local businesses to organize discounts for Iowa students. Many groups, including Fraternity and Sorority Life, already have programs like this in place and we hope to see it expanded to the student body. Once discounts have been secured, we will make a user-friendly guide to student discounts downtown to help make the UI experience more affordable.
- Executive Leads: Annabel Seeling, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: Ranan Fattal
- **Notes:** Communications with the Iowa City Downtown District are underway. We are exploring ways to collect information on student discounts.

## **Student Organizations**

#### **Completed:**

## **Increase Travel Funding for Student Organizations**

- **Description:** Travel funding for student organizations enables students to learn invaluable professional and personal skills to bring back to the University community. In recognition of the value added trips can bring to student organizations, a fund was created to help support student organizations. To better support TEA, additional funds were made available for TEA funding from the Contingency Account.
- **Executives Involved:** Titus Hou
- Senators Involved: Adam Dellos
- **Notes:** UISG increased TEA funding for student organizations. This increase allowed us to fund more student organizations' requests for travel funding.

#### In Progress:

## **Streamline Budget Application Process**

- **Description:** Currently, the fiscal and supplemental period budget applications on Orgsync do not accurately reflect the maximum funding standards that determine funding requests. Updates to the applications were made to better reflect UISG's maximum funding standards. Additional changes are still needed.
- Executives Involved: Titus Hou
- Senators Involved: Ojas Pradhan, Adam Dellos
- Notes: UISG has already taken steps to simplify the process for student organizations to apply for funding.

#### **UISG Student Leader Scholarship Endowment**

- **Description:** UISG is looking to create a scholarship fund to provide student leaders with financial support. The opportunity cost for taking on a leadership position in a student organization limits the ability for a student leader to take on a paying job. We hope the scholarship will ameliorate the financial burden for student leaders.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman
- **Senators Involved:** Noel Mills
- **Notes:** UISG members are in the initial planning stages of creating an endowment that would fund this scholarship and are creating specific criteria for scholarship applicants.

## **Sustainability**

### Completed

## **Increase Green Initiative Funding (GIF)**

- **Description:** UISG's Green Initiatives Fund of \$10,000 offers student organizations an opportunity to fund sustainability initiatives. An increasing number of student organizations request money each year, and we made sure this trend continued by increasing the amount of funds available for request.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain, Noopur Inani, Kelly Shearer
- Senators Involved: Akash Bhalerao, Sean Finn
- **Notes:** The GIF fund is now \$13,000, which provides more organizations the opportunity to apply and receive funds. We have also increased marketing for this fund, such as adding an advertisement within OrgSync.

## **Bike Service Stations**

- **Description:** To encourage more bike use on campus, UISG funded bike fix-it stations at the IMU, Burge and Hillcrest for students to re-pump their tires and make any necessary repairs to their bike.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: The bike fix-it stations have been installed and are very popular among student bike riders.

#### **Student Carpooling Network**

- **Description:** Transportation to and from home or work can often be both unsustainable for the environment and costly for students. UISG developed an easy way for University of Iowa students, faculty, and staff to find others with which to carpool, decreasing monetary and environmental costs. We considered models used by other Big Ten universities, which promote the safety of student users by creating a closed system accessible only to university students.
- Executives Involved: Kelly Shearer
- Senators Involved: Akash Bhalerao, Bruno Ponce
- Notes: Parking & Transportation has created a RideShare Network for all student to use. UISG has is now in the process of marketing this new service for students

#### **Bike Lanes Downtown**

- **Description:** Biking is a sustainable and convenient mode of transportation for students. UI's campus is generally bike-friendly, but Iowa City remains difficult to maneuver. To alleviate the difficulty, UISG advocated for the development of bike lanes downtown and in other areas heavily populated by students.
- Executives Involved: Jacob Simpson
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** Iowa City has moved forward with installing new bike lanes downtown.

## **Campus Garden**

- **Description:** UISG will work closely with the UI Gardeners to advocate for a garden on main campus that provides local, fresh food for students and many educational opportunities for students and University of Iowa community members.
- Executives Involved: Jacob Simpson
- Senators Involved: Akash Bhalerao
- **Notes:** UISG allocated around \$17,000 to support the student garden creation near North Hall. These funds are in collaboration with the financial investment that Facilities Management will make to help support the development of the garden.

## **Campus Produce Cart**

- **Description:** UISG collaborated with UI Gardeners, a local CSA, and Food Pantry at Iowa to provide free fresh produce to students and raise awareness for the food pantry.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: The first few produce carts were incredibly successful. Students were grateful for the access to healthy foods and were able to gather food data on current issues with food in Iowa City. UISG is

looking into expanding this initiative into a farmer's market at the IMU for students.

• Related News Coverage: Produce Cart Returns to Campus

#### **Educate Student Organization Leaders on Ethical T-shirts**

- **Description:** UISG is working with different student organizations to make sure they make their apparel purchases from the most sustainable and ethical companies possible.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- Senators Involved: Brody Armstrong
- **Notes:** UISG sent out a message to student leaders though org sync to inform them on ethical t-shirt companies and why it is important to purchase shirts from these companies instead of unethical providers. We will continue our efforts in educating students about ethical t-shirt purchasing.

## **UISG Sustainable Apparel**

- **Description:** UISG is ensuring that all clothing we purchases is sustainable and ethically-produced. We will also make sure that all UISG events with food are supplied with compostable utensils.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Akash Bhalerao, Hallee Haygood, Brody Armstrong
- **Notes:** UISG passed legislation this fall that created protocol within the organization to follow these sustainable practices. This protocol will be followed to the letter during the UISG election season and will serve as a baseline going forward for other student organizations.

## **Advocating for Life Sciences Curriculum**

- **Description:** Currently, the University is lacking certain life sciences courses that are essential to certain fields. UISG is hoping to add more of these types of courses to provide students this important learning experience.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Abigail Simon, Bailey Carroll, Akash Bhalerao
- Notes: UISG passed legislation in support of adding life sciences courses to the university's curriculum.
- Related News Coverage: UISG Pushed Administration on Science Classes

## **Encourage Athletics and UIHC Sustainable Practices**

- **Description:** Due to the size of UI's Athletics Department and the UI Hospitals & Clinics and their footprint, UISG is encouraging these entities on campus to adopt more sustainable practices.
  - Executives Involved: Shelby Cain, Jacob Simpson
  - Senators Involved: Noel Mills
  - Notes: UISG has passed legislation in support of these efforts and has met with Athletics to discuss ways to move forward with this initiative. We also encouraged UI Athletics and UIHC to implement sustainability more heavily into their institutions. UISG also established a UIHC-UI Athletics Sustainability Committee to discuss potential improvements in the athletics department.
  - Related News Coverage: UISG Pushes Sustainability for UIHC, Sports

## Take What You Need, Eat What You Take Campaign

- **Description:** Because the Burge and Hillcrest Marketplace's are all-you-can-eat, large amounts of food are thrown away. The Take What You Need, Eat What You Take campaign will encourage students to decrease the food waste in the dining halls.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- Senators Involved: Akash Bhalerao
- **Notes:** Signage for the program will go up in the coming days in the residence halls, a food waste audit will take place March 8th, and an educational video is in the works.

## **Homecoming Sustainability Director Position**

- Description: As an incredibly important event on campus, UISG is seeking to improve sustainable conditions
  within the event. Recently, UISG managed to create position to the maintening and promotion of sustainable
  practices within the Homecoming committee.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- **Senators Invovled:** Akash Bhalerao

• **Notes:** The position will serve in the planning of the next homecoming and will plan to be in existence for years to come.

## Sustainable Bagging At Iowa Hawk Shop and on Campus

- **Description:** The Hawk Shop and UISG have partnered together to implement a wide variety of sustainable initiatives for reusable boxes and biodegradable graduation gowns. UISG worked with the Hawk Shop to improve sustainable practices and will be implementing reusable bags (preferable cloth) in the Hawk Shop.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- Senators Involved: Greyson Zaun, Angel Alicia, Akash Bhalerao
- **Notes:** The Green Initiative Fund approved \$1650 in funding for reusable bags with the Future Alumni Network.

## **In Progress**

## **Composting on Campus**

- **Description:** UISG will work with the Office of Sustainability to continue to expand composting services in UI buildings.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: UISG members met with the Office of Sustainability and the President's Path Forward Operations
  Team to explore ways in which the University can incorporate composting on campus. Meetings were also
  held with representatives from the Tippie College of Business. UISG is in collaboration with the Tippie
  Senate and progress on the plan is still being made. Other efforts are being made to expand composting in
  the cultural houses.

## **FSL Sustainability Charter**

- **Description:** Currently, fraternity and sorority houses lack basic recycling and composting capabilities. UISG is collaborating with FSL leaders to pursue sustainability initiatives within this community.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- Senators Involved: Greyson Zaun, Hallee Haygood, Akash Bhalerao
- **Notes:** UISG established a Charter Committee for sorority and fraternity members interested in sustainability to join and more easily collaborate on FSL sustainability initiatives. UISG also passed legislation in support of this Charter.

## Discount for Double-Sided Printing and Tree Free Paper

- **Description:** Students should be incentivized with a discount for printing double-sided. We are working with ITS to decrease the amounts students pay for double-sided printing to save money and paper.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- **Senators Involved:** Marcus Smith
- Notes: UISG met with ITS representatives and the College of Engineering to discuss possible options for this initiative. Research on peer institution practices are underway in hopes of being able to apply for efficient practices to the University. UISG is also passing legislation of support of more efficient printing policies. UISG is also working to implement tree-free paper in the printers around campus.

## **Sustainability Student Organization Awards**

- **Description:** UISG wants to acknowledge and recognize student organization and individuals that are making an effort to integrate and incorporate sustainable practices and initiatives into their day-to-day work and are the ones that encouraging education on campus.
- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Tayo Ajose, Akash Bhalerao
- Notes: UISG passed legislation to establish that our organization worked with the Office of Sustainability and CSIL to incorporate sustainability-orientated awards into Hawkeye Leadership & Service awards and create a good nomination system for these awards. The event will take place in the coming months.

#### **Sustainable IMU Events**

• **Description:** UISG is encouraging the Iowa Memorial Union to adopt composting for all IMU events to

reduce landfill waste.

- Executives Involved: N/A
- Senators Involved: Noah Kirschbaum, Akash Bhalerao
- Notes: UISG passed legislation to emphasize this request and will meet with IMU leadership to hopefully
  institutionalize this practice.
- Related News Coverage: <u>UI Student Government Mulls Sustainability</u>

## **Living Wall on Campus**

- **Description:** What was once just a way for architectural companies to attempt to win design awards; living walls are gaining attention from businesses of all sizes looking to improve their green credentials. UISG is currently reaching out with groundskeepers to try to build a 10 x 10 living wall on one of the buildings on campus.
- Executives Involved: Shelby Cain
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** Meetings with the UI's groundskeeper were held to discuss to possibility of establishing the living wall. Follow up meetings will be established to discuss the development of the wall.

## **UISG Administration and Transparency**



## **Completed**

#### **State of the Students Address**

- **Description:** In September, President Zuckerman gave a State of the Students Address to voice the highest priority issues for undergraduates at UI.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Kelly Shearer
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: The address was recorded live on UISG's Facebook page and is available for viewing.

#### **Opinion Polls**

- **Description:** We know the student body wants a say in the work done by UISG and UI administration. We hope to expand pathways of communication to assure all students play an active role in deciding thefuture of the University of Iowa. Each semester, we will email opinion polls so students can provide comments on proposed initiatives if they are not available to attend our open Student Senatesessions.
- Executives Involved: Michael Sylvester, Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** UISG's first mass survey received over 300 responses and we are using these responses to inform our decisions.

#### **Residence Education Outreach**

- **Description:** Resident Assistants have incredibly high contact with first-year students at the UI. UISG wanted to share resources with RAs while gathering feedback about their experiences.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Hallee Haygood
- Senators Involved: Akash Bhalerao
- **Notes:** UISG members visited every Residence Hall RA meeting this semester and we plan to attend these meetings next semester to continue these important conversations.

## **Created Communications Assistant Position**

- **Description:** UISG currently has a member of the Executive Branch who is our Director of Communications. This position requires lots of work that is valuable to our transparency as an organization, so we have decided to add an additional assistant position that will help our Executive in this work.
- Executives Involved: Rachel Zuckerman, Lauren Freeman, Kelly Shearer
- Senators Involved: Hallee Haygood

#### **UISG Blog**

- **Description:** To better communicate with students, UISG set up a blog section on the website to explain UISG roles and development
- Executives Involved: Hallee Haygood
- Senators Involved: N/A
- **Notes:** The blog is updated weekly with different subject matters related to student government's role on campus.

#### **UISG Newsletter**

- **Description:** To better communicate to students about the many initiatives UISG is working on, we have established a newsletter to be sent out to students who sign up for our mailing list.
- Executives Involved: Hallee Haygood, Kelly Shearer
- Senators Involved: N/A
- Notes: Newsletters will be sent out frequently starting over the course of the next few months.

## **Additional News Coverage**

- Dealing with Racism and Bias
- UI Stresses Diversity, Inclusiveness
- <u>In Trumps' Wake, Resentment</u>
- Liberal Arts Eyes Revamping General Education
- <u>Iowa Universities Respond to Postelection Tensions</u>
- University of Iowa Investigating Racist Vandalism
- UI Students Wavered About Going Public with Hate Fliers
- Offensive Fliers Found at UI Dorm, Cultural Centers
- The Quarters: Four Reason to Rent Elsewhere



## **Funding**

The University of Iowa Student Government is responsible for handling and allocating all Student Activity Fee revenue, in which each UI student pays \$72 every year. The Student Activity Fee goes to funding student services such as Center for Student Involvement and Leadership and student organizations. This year's administration inherited a financial surplus in July. This was caused by the last administration's year-end surplus, as well as reversions from student organizations that did not use all of their allocated funds in FY16.

After understanding the financial climate for the year, UISG set and passed our four budgets for FY17. These budgets include the CSIL Collaboration Budget, the Legislative Budget, the Executive Budget and the Judicial Budget. The beginning balances for these four budgets can be found on the next page. Outside of these our budgets, there is also a contingency account. Our contingency account is where all of the unspent money from UISG and all student organizations flows at the end of a fiscal year (July 30th). To begin this year, our contingency account was well over the maximum limit (per our by-laws) of \$120,000. Keeping students' best interest and our campaign platform in mind, we have been strategic in planning how to spend this down.

Included in the following pages are expenditure reports that outline our overall budget and where we have spent funds over the semester.



CSIL Collaboration				
Item		Name	Amount	
	101	TedxUlowa	\$3,000.00	
	102	SOLI	\$8,000.00	
	103	Fair Day-fall	\$2,100.00	
		Fair Day-spring	\$2,100.00	
	104	Flipping into finals	\$2,000.00	
	105	Taste of Iowa City	\$1,000.00	
	199	Phone lines	\$6,000.00	
	110	ASB	\$8,000.00	
	106	OrgSync	\$16,208.00	
	107	Student Credit Money	\$6,205.00	
	108	Iowa Kickstarter	\$6,000.00	
	109	Senior Week	\$10,000.00	
	111	Strengths Finder	\$5,000.00	
	112	Dean Redington Emergency Fund	\$3,850.00	
		Total	\$79,463.00	

Legislative Branch					
Item	Name	Amount	Fringe	Fin	al Salary
199	Speaker of Senate	\$3,208.36	\$351.31	\$	3,559.65
199	Secretary	\$2,500.00	\$273.75	\$	2,773.75
101	Meetings	\$500.00		\$	500.00
102	Senate Retreat	\$3,500.00		\$	3,500.00
Total				\$	10,333.40

	Executive Branch			
Line item	Name	Amount		
101	Office Supplies	\$2,000.00		
102	Board of Regents	\$1,500.00		
103	Governmental Relations	\$1,500.00		
104	Safety Initiatives	\$7,000.00		
105	Inauguration	\$1,000.00		
106	ABTS	\$6,000.00		
107	Platform	\$5,000.00		
108	Public Relations	\$3,000.00		
109	soos	\$2,000.00		
110	24 hour IMU	\$13,000.00		
			increase to	
113	GIF	\$7,700.00	77%	
Total		\$49,700.00		

Salary	Name	Base	Fringe (10.95%)	Total
101	President	\$7,500.00	821.25	\$8,321.25
102	VP	\$7,500.00	821.25	\$8,321.25
103	CFO	\$2,625.00	287.4375	\$2,912.44
104	Chief of Staff	\$2,625.00	287.4375	\$2,912.44
105	Executive Assistant	\$1,875.00	205.3125	\$2,080.31
106	GR	\$2,500.00	273.75	\$2,773.75
107	Diversity	\$2,500.00	273.75	\$2,773.75
108	Sustainability	\$1,875.00	205.3125	\$2,080.31
109	City Council	\$2,500.00	273.75	\$2,773.75
110	Safety	\$1,875.00	205.3125	\$2,080.31
111	External Relations	\$2,500.00	273.75	\$2,773.75
112	Communication	\$2,500.00	273.75	\$2,773.75
113	Vice City	\$1,000.00	109.5	\$1,109.50
	Total			\$43,686.56

Judicial Branch			
Item	Name	Amount	
19	9 SEC salary	\$1,019.50	
10	1 Advertising	\$400.00	
10	2 On-line voting system	\$2,600.00	
Total		\$4,019.50	



# **July 2016**

372 CSIL Collaboration					
		Expendit	ures .	July 2016	
Line Number	Item	July Expe	nse	Transaction Description	Date
199	TNS Monthly	\$ 315.	00	Data Fee	7/31/2016
199	TNS Monthly	\$ 7	.00	TV/Video Fee	7/31/2016
199	TNS Monthly	\$ 87	.50	Phone Fee	7/31/2016
199	TNS Monthly	\$ 4	.50	Voicemail Fee	7/31/2016
490	Legislative Branch				
	Ex	oenditures .	July 2	2016	
Line Number	Item	July Expe	nse	Transaction Description	Date
199	P and S Salaries Temporary	\$ 291.	00	Speaker of Senate Salary	7/31/2016
199	Fringe Ben P and S Temporary	\$ 31	.94	Fringe for Speaker Salary	7/31/2016
491	Exe	cutive Budg	et		
	Ex	oenditures .	July 2	2016	
Line Number	Item	July Expe	nse	Transaction Description	Date
101	TNS Monthly	\$ 21	.00	Phone Fee	7/31/2016
101	TNS Monthly	\$ 14	.00	Data Fee	7/31/2016
101	TNS Monthly	\$ 17	.00	Television Fee	7/31/2016
104	Yellow Cab	\$ 78	.00	Nite Ride Expenses	7/5/2016
199	P and S Salaries Temporary	\$ 2,374.9	99	Executive Salaries	7/31/2016
199	P and S Fringe Benefits	\$ 260.	06	Fringe for Executive Salaries	7/31/2016

# August 2016

372	372 CSIL Collaboration					
	Expenditures August 2016					
Line Number	Item		August Expense	Transaction Description	Date	
199	TNS Monthly	\$	315.00	Data Fee	8/31/2016	
199	TNS Monthly	\$	7.00	TV/Video Fee	8/31/2016	
199	TNS Monthly	\$	87.50	Phone Fee	8/31/2016	
199	TNS Monthly	\$	4.50	Voicemail Fee	8/31/2016	
490	L	egisl	ative Budge	t		
	Expo	endit	ures Augus	t 2016		
Line			August		Date	
Number	Item	E	xpense	Transaction Description	Date	
199	P and S Salaries Temporary	\$	708.33	Speaker of Senate and Sec Salary	8/31/2016	
199	Fringe Ben P and S Temporary	\$	77.56	Fringe for Speaker/ Sec Salary	8/31/2016	

491	491 Executive Budget						
	Expenditures August 2016						
Line					Date		
Number	Item	Augu	st Expense	Transaction Description	Date		
101	TNS Monthly	\$	21.00	Phone Fee	8/31/2016		
101	TNS Monthly	\$	14.00	Data Fee	8/31/2016		
101	Koch Brothers	\$	71.12	Printer copy charges	8/9/2016		
101	TNS Monthly	\$	17.00	Television Fee	8/31/2016		
103	Governmental Relations Trips	\$	74.98	Legislative Road Trips	8/31/2016		
103	TurboVote	\$	500.00	Purchase of TurboVote	8/29/2016		
	Governmental Relations with				8/31/2016		
103	local legislatures	\$	39.92	Legislative Road Trips	8/31/2010		
103	UI Provided Service	\$	10.50	Registration for Fleet Services	8/29/2016		
104	Yellow Cab	\$	90.07	Safe Ride Expenses	8/4/2016		
104	Coralville Bus Rides	\$	643.86	Payment for Coralville Bus rides	8/31/2016		
				Travel to Association of Big Ten	8/9/2016		
106	ABTS	\$ 2	,501.30	Students Conference	6/3/2016		
199	P and S Salaries Temporary	\$ 2	,374.99	Executive Salaries	8/31/2016		
199	P and S Fringe Benefits	\$	260.06	Fringe for Executive Salaries	8/31/2016		

# September 2016

372	CSIL Collaboration Budget						
	Expenditures September 2016						
Line Number	ltem	September Expense	Transaction Description	Date			
199	TNS Monthly	\$ 315.00	Data Fee	9/31/2016			
199	TNS Monthly	\$ 7.00	TV/Video Fee	9/31/2016			
199	TNS Monthly	\$ 87.50	Phone Fee	9/31/2016			
	TNS Monthly	\$ 4.50	Voicemail Fee	9/31/2016			
490		Legis	lative Budget				
		Expenditu	ires September 2016				
Line Number	Item	September Expense	Transaction Description	Date			
199	P and S Salaries Temporary	\$ 500.00	Speaker of Senate and Sec Salary	9/31/2016			
199	Fringe Ben P and S Temporary	\$ 54.75	Fringe for Speaker/ Sec Salary	9/31/2016			

			Food and Set up				
102	Retreat Expenses	\$ 1948.80	Expenses for Retreat	9/28/2016			
	Netreat Expenses	'		3/20/2010			
491			utive Budget				
	Expenditures September 2016						
Line		September	Transaction				
Number	Item	Expense	Description	Date			
101	TNS Monthly	\$ 21.00	Phone Lines	9/30/2016			
101	TNS Monthly	\$ 14.00	Data	9/30/2016			
101	Office Depot	\$ 47.87	Office Supplies for UISG Office	9/30/2016			
101	Koch Brothers	\$ 155.52	Printer fix charges	9/16/2016			
103	Governmental Relations	\$ 59.10	Fleet Services Rental	9/29/2016			
104	Yellow Cab	\$ 161.09	Payments for SafeRide	9/6/2016			
104	TNS Monthly	\$ 17.00	Television	9/30/2016			
106	ABTS	\$ 269.08	Association of Big Ten School Fee	9/16/2016			
107	Hy-Vee	\$ 188.79	Donuts for Breakfast with UISG	9/16/2016			
107	UIVA/UISG PTSD Fair	\$ 638.00	Food Purchase for PTSD/Mental Health Fair	9/28/2016			
107	Yik Yak Campaign	\$ 431.54	Design and Printing Payments	9/23/2018			
199	P and S Salaries Temporary	\$2999.97	Executive Salaries	9/31/2016			
199	P and S Fringe Benefits	\$ 328.49	Fringe for Executive Salaries	9/31/2016			

# October 2016

CSIL Collaboration					
Item	Name		Amount		
199	TNS Monthly	\$	315.00		
199	TNS Monthly	\$	7.00		
199	TNS Monthly	\$	87.50		
199	TNS Monthly	\$	4.50		
108	Kickstarter Student Organization Fund	\$	100.00		



Executive Branch					
Line item	Name		Amount		
199	Exec Salaries	\$	3,420.91		
102	Regents Trip Car rental	\$	105.50		
104	SafeRide	\$	388.84		
101	Office Supplies	\$	47.87		
107	Diversity Initiative Supplies Purchase	\$	26.27		
102	Regents Trip University Catering	\$	129.36		
107	Breakfast with UISG	\$	350.79		
107	Diversity Initiative Meeting	\$	354.00		
107	Homecoming Supplies	\$	21.94		
103	GOTV stickers	\$	33.16		
108	Cambus Advertisements	\$	24.28		
107	Diversity Charter Meeting Fb Boosting	\$	10.00		
101	UISG Office Poster	\$	30.00		
108	Down Vote Hate M&D Fee	\$	390.34		
101	TNS Monthly	\$	21.00		
101	TNS Monthly	\$	14.00		
104	TNS Monthly	\$	17.00		
107	Event Services	\$	40.00		
107	2nd Floor Ballroom Rental- Diversity	\$	260.00		
108	Breakfast with UISG Poster	\$	64.00		

Legislative					
Item	Name	Amou	ınt		
199	Speaker and Secretary Salary	\$	554.75		
102	Retreat Expenses-Food	\$	182.18		

Contingency				
Item	Name	Am	Amount	
	Stands for IMU Charger Umbrellas	\$	1,098.00	
	Breakfast with UISG Food	\$	58.71	
	Local Harvest CSA- Produce Stand	\$	600.00	
	University Catering	\$	286.50	
	NPHC Plots	\$	7,700.00	
	Trans Student Support Fund	\$	1,155.00	
	Produce Cart Table Rental	\$	5.00	
	Old Brick Rental- GOTV Events	\$	150.00	



# November 2016

CSIL Collaboration					
Item	Name	Amount			
199	TNS Monthly	\$	315.00		
199	TNS Monthly	\$	7.00		
199	TNS Monthly	\$	87.50		
199	TNS Monthly	\$	4.50		
104	Flipping into Finals	\$	1,000.00		

Executive Branch					
Line item	Name		Amount		
199	Exec Salaries	\$	4,576.64		
103	Legislative Dinner	\$	28.17		
104	SafeRide	\$	319.34		
101	Office Supplies	\$	23.40		
104	University Catering Compostable Good	\$	8.06		
107	Produce Stand table rental	\$	5.00		
107	FacebookMarketing	\$	48.04		
101	TNSMonthly	\$	21.00		
101	TNSMonthly	\$	14.00		
104	TNSMonthly	\$	17.00		
Legislative					

Legislative					
Item	Name	Amou	nt		
199	Speaker and Secretary Salary	\$	554.75		

Contingency			
Item	Name	Amount	
	GOTV Event 2- Food	\$	286.91
	Office of Financial Aid- Financial	\$	185.00
	Produce Stand Reusable bags	\$	76.08
	University Catering- Compostable Goo	\$	22.71
	GOTV Event Decorations	\$	31.70
	Financial Literacy Fliers	\$	30.75
	Produce Cart Table Rental	\$	5.00
	Snapchat Filter for GOTV	\$	5.00
	Sandwich Board for Student Orgs	\$	56.09



# December 2016

CSIL Collaboration			
Item	Name	Α	mount
199	TNS Monthly	\$	414.00

Executive Branch		
Line item	Name	Amount
199	Stipends	\$ 3,166.64
104	Safe Ride	\$ 186.81
103	GR Vehicle Rental	\$ 20.49
107, 108	Breakfast with UISG	\$ 354.74
101109	Koch Brothers Inc	\$ 208.98
101	Marketing	\$ 20.00
101	TNS Monthly	\$ 35.00
104	TNS Monthly	\$ 17.00

	Legislative		
Item	Name	Amou	ınt
199	Stipends	\$	554.75

Contingency		
ltem	Name	Amount
	GOTV Event-Amazon	\$ 50.65
	GOTV Event-ALDI	\$ 28.32
	GOTV Event 2-Hobby Lobby	\$ 35.23
	GOTV Event-Dollar Tree	\$ 29.00
	Snapchat Geo Filter	\$ 5.00
	Charger Checkout	\$ 166.35
	Charger Checkout	\$ 69.99
	Charger Checkout	\$ 116.91
	Marketing and Design	\$ 58.00
	Daily Iowan	\$ 387.00
	Englert Civic Theatre	\$ 113.00



# January 2017

	CSIL Collaboration		
Item	Name	Δ	mount
199	TNS Monthly	\$	414.00
108	Kickstarter	\$	100.00

Executive Branch		
Line item	Name	Amount
199	Stipends	\$ 3,282.25
106	ABTS	\$ 300.00
103	GR Vehicle Rental	\$ 53.28
110	24 Hour IMU	\$ 5,998.50
108	Marketing	\$ 20.00
101	TNS Monthly	\$ 35.00
104	TNS Monthly	\$ 17.00
104	Safe Ride	\$ 208.31

Legislative			
ltem	Name	Amou	ınt
199	Stipends	\$	323.61

Contingency			
Item	Name	Amo	unt
	Obermann Center Lecture	\$	500.00
	Christmas Cards	\$	12.00
	Humans @ UI	\$	415.80

# **Senate Legislation**



## Introduction

UISG Student Senate is in charge of reviewing and passing legislation. After a period of question and debate, the Senate votes on the passage of legislation. A majority of votes (half plus one of seated senators) are needed to pass legislation. In instances of tie, the Vice President casts the tie-breaking vote. Below is a comprehensive list of all of the resolutions and bills that passed the senate in the 2016 legislative season. A complete voting record can be found on the UISG website.



## UNIVERSITY OF IOWA STUDENT GOVERNMENT Student Senate

Confirmation of 2016-2017 UISG Executives SS-B-1

Submitted by: Senators Ajose, Haygood, and Qi (on behalf of President Zuckerman and Vice President Freeman)

Student Senate Action: (Passed)/Failed/Tabled
Date: April 26, 2016

WHEREAS, The Office Administration Committee consisted of Senator Adetayo Oladele-Ajose, Senator Hallee Haygood, Senator Elle Qi, President Rachel Zuckerman, and Vice President Lauren Freeman; and

WHEREAS, The Office Administration Committee has nominated the following candidates to serve as the 2016-2017 Executive Cabinet:

Chief of Staff- Michael Sylvester
Executive Assistant- Annabel Seeling
Chief Financial Officer- Noopur Inani
Communications Director- Kelly Shearer
Diversity Liaison- Brian Leal
Governmental Relations Liaison- Andrew Namanny
Secretary- Sheng Hao Lu
Sustainability Liaison- Shelby Cain
Vice City Council Liaison- Benjamin Nelson
Student Safety Liaison- Sara Bultsma
Director of External Relations- Hannah Hendricks

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Office Administration Committee recommends that the Senate approve the aforementioned nominees.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2014-2015 Student Seppate Session and is known as

S.S.-Bill-1

SECRETARY OF SENATE

APPROVED 5-2-14, 2016

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UISG PRESIDENT Rachel Zuckerman



## **Student Senate**

Confirmation of Nominees for Presidential Charter Committees SS-B-2

Submitted by: Senator Burns and Senator Haygood on behalf of the 2015-2016 Nominations Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled
April 26th, 2016

**AN ACT,** relating to the appointments of the nominees for the empty seats on several Presidential Charter Committees; and

WHEREAS, Presidential Charter Committees serve as advisory bodies for students and faculty working to address specific areas of interest in the University community; and

WHEREAS, the appointees were selected by the outgoing 2015-2016 UISG Nominations Committee and members from the Graduate and Professional Student Government; and

WHEREAS, the candidates were selected after they submitted an application and were interviewed by the joint committee; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the UISG appoints the following individuals to Presidential Charter Committees:

- Campus Planning: Todd Bagby, Menno Schukking, and Emily Starr.
- Council on Teaching: Angeline Vanle, Emma Hawk, and Lance Heady.
- Diversity: Jasmine Mangrum, Cameisha Hurst, and Angeline Vanle.
- Family Issues: Bailey Zaputil, Carlie Newton, and Joe Scheivert.
- Financial Aid Advisory: Cameisha Hurst (Chair), Emma Hawk, and Nikolas Maggos.
- Hancher Auditorium: Mark Miller (Chair), Nic Steffes, Alexandra Holmblad, Patrick Rossman, Mila Kaut, and Joe Scheivert.
- Information Technology Advisory: Muhammed Sermet and Anh Ngo.

- University Lecture Committee: Sarah Tortora (Chair), Ben Hyland, Hannah Gellman, James Porter, Lyric Harris, Mila Kaut, and Reem Khodor.
- Parking and Transportation: Katie Agney and Scott Roberts
- Recreational Services: Daniel Boesen (Chair), Nicholas Borcherding, Katie Agey, and Anh Ngo.
- Research Council: Nicholas Borcherding and Jeremy Vogel.
- University Libraries: Bailey Zaputil and Jamie Byerly.
- University Safety and Security: Heath Schintler, Emily Starr, and Daniel Boesen.
- Student Judicial Board: Alisha McTaggart and Jamie Byerly.
- Presidential Committee on Athletics: Lily Burns and Austin Weaver.
- Sustainability Committee: Sarah Gardner, Todd Bagby, and Samantha McLaughlin.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Senate confirms the appointment of these nominees to their respective Presidential Charter Committees; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

Speaker of the Senate

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government during the 2015-2016 Student Senate Session and is known as  $\underline{SS-Bill-2}$ 

Secretary of the Senate

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HCC President

Rachel Zuckerman



## UNIVERSITY OF IOWA STUDENT GOVERNMENT Student Senate

CRCB's Recommended Changes to the Bylaws Student Senate Bill 3 Submitted by: Senators Burns, Haygood, Hou, Prendergast, and Vogel

Student Senate Action: Passed Failed/Tabled
May 3, 2016

**AN ACT,** relating to the changes to the Bylaws recommended by the Commission on the Review of the Constitution and Bylaws (CRCB); and

WHEREAS, President Mills created the CRCB through an executive order in February 2016 to review and to recommend changes to the Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, CRCB met twice weekly during its tenure and deliberated the changes needed in the Bylaws for the effective and efficient administration of UISG; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that CRCB recommends the aforementioned changes to the Bylaws; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Bylaws be amended to include CRCB's recommended changes; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

Speaker of the Student Senate

Titus Hou

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government during the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session and is known as <u>SS – Bill –</u>



Secretary of the Student Senate

Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED <sup>1</sup>

Rachel Zuckerman



### **Student Senate**

FY17 UISG Budgets Student Senate Bill 4 Submitted by: Senator Dellos

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled May 3, 2016

**AN ACT**, relating to the formation of the 4 annual UISG budgets: CSIL Collaboration Budget, UISG Legislative Budget, UISG Executive Budget, and UISG Judicial Budget; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be FY17 UISG Budgets; and

WHEREAS, each year UISG funds 4 different budgets (which are attached); and

WHEREAS, three of the four are for branches of the student government to help fund yearly expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, the fourth one is a collaborative budget in which UISG pairs with CSIL to help pay for other various expenses incurred by the University of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, within each attached budget spreadsheet, you can see itemized lines that show the amounts allocated for both FY16 and FY17, along with the change over the different periods; and

WHEREAS, please reference the attached documentation or CFO Inani for further information;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all four budgets in the attached documentation will be implemented immediately at the onset of FY 17; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

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**Speaker of the Senate** 

Titus Hou

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government during the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session and is known as SS – Bill - 4

Secretary of the Senate Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED MAY 4\_\_\_, 2016

**UÍSG President**Rachel Zuckerman



### **Student Senate**

Fiscal Year 2016 Appropriations Student Senate Bill 5 Submitted by: Senator Dellos

Student Senate Actions Passed/Failed/Tabled
May 3, 2016

AN ACT, relating to Fiscal Year 2017-2018 appropriations; and

WHEREAS, the SABAC committee proposes to allocate \$224,509.80 to student organizations that submitted budget requests for FY17-18 Fiscal Funding Period; and

WHEREAS, five members of the SABAC committee, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief Financial Officer met on Sunday May 1, to discuss and vote on the recommendations proposed by CFO Inani; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed allocations exceed the previously budgeted figure of \$204,079 for the fiscal year funding period,

WHEREAS, the SABAC committee and CFO Inani deemed it appropriate to redirect an additional \$20,430.80 from UISG's contingency account to further meet requests of student organizations,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate approve the aforementioned budget proposal; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

Speaker of the Senate

Titus Hou

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government during the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session and is known as <u>SS - Bill - 5</u> Secretary of the Senate Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED May 4, 2016

UISG President/ Rachel Zuckerman



### **Student Senate**

Confirmation of Nominees for Presidential Charter Committees
Student Senate Bill 6
Submitted by: Senator Haygood on behalf of President Zuckerman

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

**AN ACT**, relating to the appointments of the eight nominees for the empty seats on several Presidential Charter Committees; and

WHEREAS, Presidential Charter Committees serve as an advisory body for students and faculty working to address specific areas of interest in the University community; and

WHEREAS, the undergraduate appointees were selected by the UISG president Zuckerman after the candidates expressed interest and showed that they were qualified for the positions; and

**WHEREAS**, the openings for graduate or professional students will be filled at a later date be the GPSG president; and

WHEREAS, the UISG appoints Cassidy Steines, Greyson Zaun, and Lilian Sanchez to the Financial Aid Advisory Committee, Jason Pierce and Connor Gronski to the Parking and Transportation Committee, Addison Martin to the Recreational Services Committee, Deborah Waddick to the University Libraries Committee, and Skylar Kiekhaefer to the Council on Teaching Committee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate confirms the appointment of these nominees to their respective Presidential Charter Committees; and

**SO BE IT ENACTED**, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

Speaker of the Senate

Titus Hou

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Government during the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session and is known as SS - Bill 
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Secretary of the Senate
Sheng Hao Lu

UISG President Rachel Zuckerman



## August 30, 2016 Student Senate Session 3 S.S.B. 7

Sponsor: Senator Bhalerao

Referred to the Sustainability Committee and SABAC

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

## AN ACT

To allocate \$13,090 to the University of Iowa Gardeners for one year to fund its organizational expenses and to fund the management expenses associated with the Main Campus Garden and the Student Garden.

## 1 Section 1. Title

- 2 This act may be cited as "Garden and Outdoor Classroom on Main Campus."
- 3 Section 2. 2020 Vision Sustainability Targets
- 4 In less than four years, the University of Iowa will reach the date for realizing its
- 5 2020 Vision Sustainability Targets. A number of the targets will be reached, if not
- 6 exceeded, by 2020. However, there remain two targets requiring additional
- 7 measures: (1) increasing student opportunities to learn and practice principles of
- 8 sustainability and (2) supporting and growing interdisciplinary research in
- 9 sustainability focused and related areas. To address these shortcomings, we propose
- the development and management of a garden and outdoor classroom on the
- 11 University's Main Campus. The garden and outdoor classroom will address the
- 12 aforementioned targets by offering a convenient space for experiential learning
- about sustainable food production and for interdisciplinary research by faculty and
- students. In addition to fulfilling the 2020 Vision Sustainability Targets, the garden
- and outdoor classroom serve a greater purpose for the University as a venue for
- 16 community outreach and engagement.

## Section 3. University Peers

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- 18 Despite the University's esteemed reputation regarding sustainability, it is
- 19 significantly behind other institutions in its space allocation and institutional and
- 20 financial support for gardening. Out of the University's Peer Group, the University

- 21 is only ahead of the University of California, Los Angeles in support for gardening.
- In addition, Iowa State University's student run garden is four acres, and the
- University of Northern Iowa's student-run garden is situated on its main campus.
- Luther College recently invested in a 2,880 ft² high tunnel to supplement its one-
- 25 acre outdoor space allocation to its gardening organization. Regarding support for
- 26 gardening, the University lags behind comparable higher-education institutions in
- the state, region, and nation. Developing a garden on Main Campus will improve
- the University's standing among its peers, and developing an outdoor classroom will
- 29 distinguish the University among its peers.

## Section 4. The Student Garden and the University of Iowa Gardeners

- 31 The Student Garden was established in 2009 by the University of Iowa
- 32 Environmental Coalition (UIEC) to provide a space where University students,
- 33 faculty, staff and Iowa City community members could gain hands on experience
- with sustainable food production. After two years of development, the operational
- 35 demands of the Student Garden warranted the creation of the University of Iowa
- 36 Gardeners (UIG)—a student organization independent of UIEC that was solely
- 37 responsible for managing the Student Garden. The Student Garden is south of
- 38 Hawkeye Drive between the Hawkeye Recreation Fields and the Hawkeye Tennis
- and Recreation Complex. The Student Garden is roughly 17,000 ft<sup>2</sup> (0.39 acres).
- 40 Currently, the Student Garden is not easily accessible to the majority of students.
- 41 Although there are sidewalks to the Student Garden from Main Campus, the walk
- 42 requires half an hour one way. Car, bike, and the Cambus are alternative modes of
- reaching the Student Garden. However, most students do not have access to cars
- 44 and most do not bike, and the Hawkeye Interdorm stops at the Student Garden
- once every hour only after noon on weekends, constraining students to an
- inconvenient schedule when they are most available to volunteer. The
- 47 inaccessibility of the Student Garden does not allow UIG to effectively engage the
- 48 student population.

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## Section 5. Proposal Development Process

- 50 Over the past year, UIG advocated for the establishment of a garden on Main
- 51 Campus to solve the inaccessibility issue of the Student Garden. A group of
- 52 graduate students from the College of Public Health (COPH) advocated for the
- 53 development of an outdoor classroom as well. UIG and the COPH students
- combined their independent proposals into one proposal, so as to ensure the most
- efficient and effective use of highly demanded space on Main Campus. In May,
- 56 representatives of UIG, Facilities Management (FM), the Office of Sustainability
- 57 (OS), and University Housing & Dining (UH&D) initiated the planning of a garden
- and outdoor classroom on Main Campus. The implementation of this plan was
- 59 concurrently identified as an objective of the Path Forward—Operations Team
- 60 established by President Harreld.

#### Section 6. Garden and Outdoor Classroom on Main Campus 61

- The proposed site for the garden and outdoor classroom is 10,000 ft<sup>2</sup> (0.23 acres) of 62
- land to the north of the North Hall parking lot. The proposed site is situated 63
- between the Iowa River to the west and a small forested bluff to the east. There is 64
- roughly 10,000 ft<sup>2</sup> for additional development to the north of the proposed site, 65
- which is slated for development in the subsequent year. 66
- The proposed site is ideal for the establishment of the garden and outdoor classroom 67
- because it is easily accessible; within a 150-yard radius, there stand Burge, Stanley, 68
- and Currier Residence Halls, the new Madison Street residence hall, and the North 69
- Campus Parking Ramp. The garden and outdoor classroom are also within a ten-70
- minute walk from OS, COPH, the Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences, 71
- and the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering. UIG will be able to 72
- easily transport produce to the kitchen in Burge or in the Iowa Memorial Union. 73
- The garden and outdoor classroom will also be visible from the walkway soon to be 74
- developed connecting the Old Capitol to the Hancher Auditorium. 75

## Section 7. Expenses

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- There will be a significant up front cost for the implementation of the Main Campus 77
- Garden, and the expenses will primarily be related to constructing the 78
- infrastructure. FM will be responsible for the initial costs associated with building 79
- the infrastructure, upwards of \$180,000. ٥٤
- The greatest expense for management of the Garden will be the payment of the 81
- Garden Managers. With the addition of 10,000 ft<sup>2</sup> to the 17,000 ft<sup>2</sup> that UIG 82
- currently manages, 20 hours per week during the slow months of the growing 83
- season (April, September, and October) and 40 hours per week during the busiest 84
- months of the growing season (May through August) should be funded. The Garden 85
- Managers will be paid \$10 per hour. In addition, there will be yearly organizational 86
- and maintenance expenses. The organizational and management expenses will total 87
- \$17,000 (Figure 1). 88

Garden Managers	\$10,000
Marketing	\$1,000
Events	\$500
Seeds and Plants	\$2,000
Compost	\$500
Mulch	\$500
Infrastructure and Tools	\$2,500
Total	\$17,000

Figure 1. Expenses by line item. 89 Section 8. One-Year Allocation to the University of Iowa Gardeners by UISG 90 UISG will allocate \$13,090 (77% of \$17,000) from UISG's Contingency Fund to UIG 91 for one year to fund UIG's organizational expenses and to fund the management 92 expenses associated with the Main Campus Garden and the Student Garden. 93 Section 9. Enactment Clause 94 Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of 95 President Zuckerman 96 Thus Hau, Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session. APPROVED on Agust 35th, 2016

)\_\_\_, UISG President



## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-September 6th, 2016 Student Senate Session 4 S.S.B. 8

Sponsor: Senators Bhalerao, Haygood, Armstrong Referred to the Internal Affairs and Sustainability Committees Student Senate Action Passed/Failed/Tabled

### AN ACT

To ensure that sustainability and responsible purchasing remain at the forefront of all UISG events and activities in order to set a strong precedence on sustainability by having zero waste events and responsible purchasing for all University of Iowa groups and organizations.

- 1 Section 1. Title
- 2 This act may be cited as "UISG Sustainable Protocol"
- 3 Section 2. UISG and Sustainability
- 4 Sustainability is a central priority for the University of Iowa Student Government
- 5 (UISG), UISG has enacted initiatives, such as the Green Initiatives Fund (GIF), to
- 6 encourage sustainable practices amongst student organizations. UISG has deemed
- 7 sustainability important to student organizations but has yet to establish internal
- 8 measures that make UISG a leader in sustainable practices.
- 9 Section 3. Sustainable Purchasing and Events
- 10 UISG has an obligation to require itself to practice sustainable purchasing. UISG
- should reuse office supplies before restocking and require purchases of sustainably
- 12 and ethically produced t-shirts during campaign season thereby prioritizing values
- over costs. In addition, the internal events organized by UISG should be zero-waste
- by ensuring on-site recycling and/or composting. Being entirely conscious to the
- 15 most environmentally friendly purchase would go a long way in the pursuit of a
- 16 more sustainable university.

- 17 Section 4. UISG Sustainable Protocols
- 18 UISG shall adopt the following sustainable protocols:
- Compostable utensils are ordered and available for any UISG events with
   food.
  - All waste generated by UISG events with food is composted.
- Compost bins are arranged for and set up at every UISG event with food.
- Flyers and other recyclables shall be recycled after tabling and marketing events and campaigns.
  - All apparel that purchased shall be ethically and sustainably sourced.
  - The internal affairs committees shall review and update this protocol annually with the guidance of the UISG Director of Sustainability.
- 28 Section 5. Enactment Clause
- 29 Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of
- 30 President Zuckerman.

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\_\_, Speaker of the Senate

Titus Hou

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student

Senate Session.

\_, Secretary

Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED on  $Sept, \mathcal{I}$ , 201

Rachel Zuckerman

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## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-September 27, 2016 Student Senate Session #6 S.S.B. #9

Sponsor: Senator Dellos

Referred to the SABAC Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

### AN ACT

Relating to the allocation of \$47,925 to student organizations that submitted budget requests for the Supplemental Funding Period I.

Section 1. Short Title 1 This bill may be cited as "Supplemental Funding I" 2 3 Section 2. Background SABAC was not able to fully meet fiscal year funding proposals due to the number and size 4 of requests. Keeping in mind the demand for financial support, SABAC aimed to allocate 5 more funds during the Supplemental Funding 1 period. Due to a surplus in UISG's 6 contingency account, CFO Inani and SABAC deemed it appropriate to redirect an 7 additional \$32,925 from UISG's contingency account. 8 Section 3. Funding Allocation 9 \$47,925 will be allocated to student organizations based on SABAC's max funding 10 standards. 11 Section 4. Enactment Clause 12 Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President 13 14 Zuckerman Speaker Pro Tempore of the Senate Mariah Prendergast I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

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**UISG** President

Rachel Zuckerman

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## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-September 27, 2016 Student Senate Session #6 S.S.B. #10

Sponsor: Senator Dellos

Referred to the SABAC Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

### AN ACT

Relating to the allocation of \$12,999 to student organizations that submitted budget requests for the TEA Funding Period I

## 1 Section 1. Short Title 1

- 2 This bill may be cited as "TEA Funding I"
- 3 Section 2: Background
- 4 SABAC has met to discuss funding requests and agreed upon the allocations included with this
- 5 bill. For the TEA Funding Period 1, \$6,550 will be allocated for travel and \$6,449 will be
- 6 allocated for equipment.
- 7 Section 3. Funding Allocation
- 8 \$12,999 will be allocated to student organizations based on SABAC's max funding standards.
- 9 Section 4: Enactment Clause
- 10 Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President
- 11 Zuckerman

\_, Speaker Pro Tempore of the Senate

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I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

\_\_, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

Rachel Zuckerman



## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-September 27, 2016 Student Senate Session S.S.B. #11

Sponsor: Senator Kimbrough and Senator Yang

Referred to the SABAC Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

### AN ACT

To allocate money in accordance to the contingency reduction plan from UISG Contingency Account to NPHC Plot initiative

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This bill may be cited as "UISG Contribution to NPHC Plots Development"
- 3 Section 2. NPHC at University of Iowa
- 4 The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) is composed of 9 traditionally Black,
- 5 unhoused Greek chapters. NPHC has had a presence at the University of Iowa since
- 6 1911. In order to celebrate the significant contributions these organizations have
- 7 had at the University of Iowa, the Iowa Memorial Union has dedicated a plot of land
- 8 near Danforth Chapel to commemorate the "Divine Nine" NPHC chapters.
- 9 Section 3. Cost and Design
- 10 In total, this project will cost about \$60,000. The plots are designed to have a
- concrete foundation with 10 granite pedestals one for each of the chapters and one
- for the council as a whole. Each granite pedestal is 780bs and imbedded 4 feet into
- the ground. Bronze plaques containing some history, slogan, and crest from each
- chapter will be displayed on the pedestals.
- 15 Section 4. Allocation of Funds
- 16 The student governments, UISG and GSPG, believe that a financial contribution is
- in order to support the development of the project. In fact, the contingency reduction
- plan, developed by CFO Inani, included a commitment to the project. This
- 19 legislation aims to honor that commitment by allocating \$7,700 from the
- 20 contingency fund to the development of the NPHC plots.

10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 1, 2016 Student Senate Session #11 S.S.B. #12

Sponsor: Senator Dellos

Referred to the SABAC Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

### AN ACT

Relating to the allocation of \$3032 to student organizations that submitted budget requests for the TEA Funding Period II

- 1 Section 1. Short Title 1
- 2 This bill may be cited as "TEA Funding II"
- 3 Section 2: Background
- 4 SABAC has met to discuss funding requests and agreed upon the allocations
- 5 included with this bill. For the TEA Funding Period II, \$3032 will be allocated for
- 6 travel.
- 7 Section 3. Funding Allocation
- 8 \$3032 will be allocated to student organizations based on SABAC's max funding
- 9 standards.
- 10 Section 4: Enactment Clause
- 11 Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of
- 12 President Zuckerman

, Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

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Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED on NOV, 30,2016

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Rachel Zuckerman

## University of Iowa Student Government

10<sup>th</sup>Legislative Session-November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Student Senate Session #14

S.S.B. #13

Sponsor: Senator Bhalerao, Senator Zaun and Senator Haygood Referred to the Sustainability and Student Life Committees Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

### AN ACT

To work with the FSL Sustainability Director and the Office of Sustainability to set up a Sustainability Charter for FSL chapters due to the tremendous interest displayed by many students in FSL.

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This act may be cited as the "FSL Sustainability Charter Bill".
- 3 Section 2. Discussion
- 4 The University of Iowa Fraternity and Sorority Life constitutes a very engaged
- 5 and involved 17% of undergraduate students at the University of Iowa. Many
- 6 FSL chapters and members are working on several different sustainability
- 7 initiatives like the green Greek lecture series, gameday recycling at Kinnick,
- 8 earth month energy challenge, composting at events and at houses.
- 9 Inter-fraternity/sorority collaboration would aid in the implementation and
- 10 development of different sustainability projects. FSL has an appointed
- 11 sustainability coordinator to coordinate the sustainability efforts of
- 12 fraternity/sorority members. The creation of an FSL Sustainability Charter
- 13 Committee would be helpful in uniting the Sustainability Director of FSL with
- 14 the different chapters to combine their efforts. This committee would include
- 15 Sustainability Directors from various houses and members of the Greek
- 16 community interested in sustainability. This group will be formed to help
- 17 fraternities and sororities work on sustainability projects individually and
- 18 collaboratively across FSL, as well as promote the effective utilization of the
- 19 Green Initiatives Fund and the sustainability coordinator.
- 20 Section 3. Action
- 21 UISG will assist in the formation of the FSL Sustainability charter.
- 22 UISG Sustainability Director will be an administrative liaison with the FSL
- 23 Sustainability director to work on integrating sustainability into FSL activities.
- 24 UISG Sustainability Committee will work with the professional staff that work
- 25 with FSL.

26	Section 4. Enactment Glause
27 28	Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President Zuckerman.  Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou
	I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.  , Secretary Sheng Hao Lu  APPROVED on 1, 2016  , UISG President
	Rachel Zuckerman

# University of Iowa Student Government

## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 29, 2016 Student Senate Session #13

S.S.B. #14

Sponsor: Senator Ajose and Senator Bhalerao Referred to the Sustainability and Student Life Committees Student Senate Action; Passed/Failed/Tabled

### AN ACT

To acknowledge and recognize student organizations and individuals that are making an effort to integrate and incorporate sustainable practices and initiatives into their day to day work and are the ones that are encouraging education on campus.

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This act may be cited as the "Sustainability Appreciation Bill"
- 3 Section 2. Discussion
- 4 It is important to recognize those who work towards implementing and
- 5 improving sustainable practices as a means to motivate further sustainable
- 6 actions. Many student organizations are having sustainable events and are
- 7 becoming conscious of the impacts of their actions as a result of the dedication of
- 8 many leaders on campus. The Hawkeye Leadership & Service Awards, hosted by
- 9 CSIL, recognize the accomplishments of student organizations, student
- 10 organization leaders, student organization advisors, and campus partners. There
- 11 are currently no Hawkeye Leadership & Service Awards to recognize
- 12 sustainability efforts. Hawkeye Leadership and Service Awards in the category
- 13 of sustainability will promote such efforts and incentivize further sustainable
- 14 practices.
- 15 Section 3. Action
- 16 UISG will work with The Office of Sustainability and Kristi Finger in The
- 17 Center for Student Involvement & Leadership to incorporate sustainability
- 18 oriented awards into Hawkeye Leadership & Service Awards and to figure out a
- 19 good nomination system.
- 20 UISG will help develop Student Organization awards in 2017 and awards for
- 21 individuals in 2018.
- 22 UISG will work on marketing the awards to make other organizations aware of
- 23 it.

Section 4. Enactment Clause
Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President Zuckerman
Titus Hou
I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.  Secretary Sheng Hao Lu
APPROVED on 2016
Rachel Zuckerman



10th Legislative Session- September 13, 2016 Student Senate Session #5 S.S.R. #1

Sponsor: Senator Prendergast Presidential Appointment Student Senate Action Passed/Failed/Tabled

Senate Session.

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A Resolution
Filling a vacancy in the Parking and Transportation Charter Committee

Section 1. Short Title 1 This resolution may be cited as "Parking and Transportation Appointment" 2 Whereas, a student seat on the Parking and Transportation Charter Committee has 3 been vacant; and 4 Whereas, a Presidential Appointment is necessary to expedite student 5 representation on the aforementioned charter committee; and 6 Whereas, student representation on Presidential Charter Committees is essential 7 for the preservation of joint governance; Now, therefore, be it 8 Resolved, Sara Bultsma be appointed to fill the vacant spot on the Parking 9 and Transportation Charter Committee. 10 . Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student

UISG President

\_\_\_\_, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu



## 10th Legislative Session- September 13, 2016 Student Senate Session #5 S.S.R. #2

Sponsor: Senator Haygood

Referred to: The Nominations Subcommittee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

Relating to the nomination of the freshman and at-large senator seats

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This resolution may be cited as "Senatorial Appointments"
- 3 Whereas, the Nominations Subcommittee serves as the advisory body for filling
- 4 vacant senate seats; and
- 5 Whereas, 82 people applied, 33 were interviewed, and 14 were been selected; and
- 6 Whereas, the committee was looking for dedicated students with the potential for
- 7 leadership: Now, therefore, be it
- 8 Resolved, The following people shall be appointed to the Student Senate:
- 9 Kyle Apple
- 10 Micah Augusma
- 11 Thomas Bowman
- 12 Valerie Drake
- 13 David Ehmcke
- 14 Ranan Fattal
- 15 Eli Kirschbaum
- 16 Noel Mills
- 17 Hira Mustafa
- 18 ZeFan Qin
- 19 Alexia Sanchez
- 20 Abigail Simon

21 22 Marcus Smith

Greyson Zaun

Speaker of the Senate

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student

Senate Session.

, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

Titus Hou

UISG President



## Student Government 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 6<sup>th</sup> Senate Session

S.S.R.3

Sponsor: Senator Cable and Senator Rayner Referred to the Academic Affairs Committee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

To express the University of Iowa Student Government's support of the initiative to publish ACE Evaluations.

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This Resolution may be cited as the "ACE Evaluation Access Resolution"
- 3 Whereas, students are encouraged to fill out ACE evaluation forms for each class at the
- 4 end of the semester; and
- 5 Whereas, currently the only people with access to these evaluations are faculty and
- 6 administration. The results of these evaluations are currently utilized by only faculty;
- 7 and
- 8 Whereas, the access to ACE Evaluation results to students would increase
- 9 participation in the ACE Evaluations at the end of the semester. Students will then
- 10 have a direct visible impact in reviews of instructors and classes connected; and
- 11 Whereas, helpful teaching practices will be rewarded through student perspective as
- 12 students will be voicing their support for instructors who facilitate their academic
- 13 success; and
- 14 Whereas, students would benefit from access to information from fellow classmates
- 15 regarding specific techniques and feedback, providing them with information
- regarding courses and instructors; Now, therefore, be it
  - 17 Resolved, The University of Iowa Student Government recognizes and
  - supports the initiative to publish and provide students access to ACE
  - 19 evaluations.

January, Speaker Pro Tempore of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

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, UISG President

Rachel Zuckerman

## 10th Legislative Session- October 11, 2016 Student Senate Session #8 S.S.R. 4

Sponsor: Senator Haygood

Referred to: The Nominations Subcommittee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

Relating to the appointment of one nominee for the vacant at-large senator seats.

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This resolution may be cited as "At-Large Senator Appointment"
- Whereas, the Nominations Subcommittee serves as the advisory body for filling
- 4 vacant senate seats; and
- Whereas, there were two open senator positions that needed to be filled; and
- 6 Whereas, after looking at the running list of those most qualified to fill vacant seats
- 7 the Nominations Committee chose the following.

8 Resolved, that Bailey Carroll be appointed to the Senate.

\_, Speaker of the Senate

Titus Hou

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student

Senate Session.

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Sheng Hao Lu

Rachel Zuckerman

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## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session - October 11, 2016 Student Senate Session 8 S.S.R. 5

Sponsor: Senator Finn and Senator Solon Referred to the Diversity Committee Student Senate Action (Passed) Failed/Tabled

#### **A RESOLUTION**

To voice University of Iowa Student Government's support for the development of a new Living Learning Community, All In, for the 2017-2018 academic year.

#### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This act may be cited as "All In LLC."
- 3 Whereas, leadership from the University of Iowa's queer student organizations has
- 4 worked with University Housing & Dining to create a new Living Learning Community
- 5 (LLC) that is inclusive and affirming of queer identities; and,
- 6 Whereas, the LLC has been approved for implementation for the 2017-2018 academic
- 7 year; and,
- 8 Whereas, the University of Iowa has a lengthy history of setting precedent in terms of
- 9 diversity and inclusion; and
- 10 Whereas, all other schools in the Big Ten Conference have either gender inclusive
- 11 housing or a living community with an LGBTO focus; and
- Whereas, many current students and alumni of the University of Iowa have stated that
- they wish a living community like All In had been available to them during their time in
- the residence halls; and
- 15 Whereas, first year students can benefit from this LLC by meeting other queer and
- accepting students; feeling at home in a hetero-normative, cis-normative, and
- predominantly white society; being relieved of some pressure and anxiety associated
- with coming out to new, potentially unaccepting roommates; and being connected to
- 19 resources for queer students.
- 20 Resolved, The University of Iowa Student Government supports the creation of
- 21 the All In LLC for the 2017-2018 academic year.

, Speaker of the Senate
Titus Hou

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate
Session.

, Secretary
Sheng Hao Lu

Rachel Zuckerman

, UISG President

### 10th Legislative Session-October 25, 2016 **Student Senate Session #10** S.S.R. 6

Sponsor: Senator Haygood

Referred to: The Nominations Subcommittee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

Relating to the appointment of a nominee for the vacant at-large senator seat.

- Section 1. Short Title 1
- This resolution may be cited as "At-Large Senator Appointment" 2
- Whereas, the Nominations Subcommittee serves as the advisory body for filling 3
- vacant senate seats; and 4
- Whereas, there was one senator positions that needed to be filled; and 5
- Whereas, after looking at the running list of those most qualified to fill vacant seats 6
- the Nominations Committee chose the next one on the list. Now, therefore, be it 7

Resolved, that Jenna Pokorny be appointed to the Senate. 8

Speaker of the Senate

Titus Hou

Secretary

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student

Senate Session.

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### 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-October 25, 2016 Student Senate Session #10 S.S.R. #7

Sponsor: Senators Abigail Simon and Akash Bhalerao Referred to the Sustainability Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

To commend the efforts of past and present UISG members, Office of Sustainability and the Iowa City City Council in creating access to recycling services for tenants downtown.

Section 1. Short Title

This Resolution may be cited as the "Apartment Recycling Resolution"

Whereas, apartment complexes are providing insufficient access for recycling services to

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- 4 tenants; and
- Whereas, 12,000 households currently do not have curbside recycling pick up and an estimated 75% of trash sent to the Iowa City landfill is recyclable or compostable; and
- 7 Whereas, the University of Iowa student body has consistently demonstrated support for
- 8 expansion of recycling to apartments through petition, lobbing, and legislation since
- 9 2013; and

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- 10 Whereas, Jeffrey Ding, Alec Bramel, Evan McCarthy, Nicki Neal and many others from
- 11 UISG; Jen Jordan Recycling coordinator, City of Iowa City; Liz Christiansen UI
- Director of Sustainability; Geoff Fruin City Manager, University of Iowa; and the
- 13 Iowa City Community that supported, advocated and worked to encourage City Council
- 14 to require access to recycling services in off-campus apartments. Now, therefore, be it
- 15 Resolved,
  - 1. UISG commends the efforts of University of Iowa students, community members, and all others involved in the passage of requiring access to recycling services; and
    - 2. The decision by the Iowa City City Council in supporting the ordinance amending Title 16 of the City code.

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Stydent Senate Session

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Sheng Hao Lu

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Speaker of the Senate

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## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-October 25, 2016 Student Senate Session #10 S.S.R. #8

Sponsor: Senator Noel Mills and Senator Akash Bhalerao Referred to the Sustainability Committee Student Senate Action Passed/Failed/Tabled

### A Resolution

To encourage UIHC and UI Athletics to increase their sustainability efforts.

- Section 1. Short Title 1 This Resolution may be cited as the "UIHC and UI Athletics Sustainability 2 Efforts Resolution" 3 Whereas, the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics and the University of 4 Iowa Athletics place insufficient emphasis on sustainability; and 5 Whereas, there is only one representative from the UIHC on the Sustainability 6 Charter Committee. This person represents the interests of 7 UI Health Care 7 locations and 7 UI Quick Care locations. That is a 1:14 person to facility ratio. 8 There is one, newly appointed representative from UI Athletics. This person 9 represents the 15 athletic facilities on campus; that is a 1:15 person to facility 10 ratio; and 11 Whereas, the UIHC and UI Athletics both have unique needs that should be 12 attended to by specialists in their fields; two people cannot feasibly create 13 sustainability over such vast enterprises: Now, therefore, be it 14
- 15 Resolved, The UISG supports and encourages:

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- 1) The establishment of in-house sustainability committees for both the
  University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics and the University of Iowa
  Athletics; and
  - The hiring of sustainability coordinators for the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics and the University of Iowa Athletics each; and
- 21 Resolved, this resolution will be sent to President Harreld, Jean Robillard,
- Vice President for Medical Affairs and Dean, Carver College of Medicines
- Kenneth P. Kates, Chief Executive Officer UI Hospitals and Clinics; Sabi
   Singh, Co-Chief Operating Officer UI Hospitals and Clinics; Scott Turner,
- Singh, Co-Chief Operating Officer UI Hospitals and Clinics, Scott Turner, Co-Chief Operating Officer and Executive Director of UI Children's Hospital;
- 26 Gary Barta, Director of UI Athletics; Gene Taylor, Deputy Director of UI
- 27 Athletics; Barbara Burke, Senior Associate Athletics Director and Sports
- 28 Administration/Event Management/Senior Woman Administrator; Paula
- 29 Jantz, Senior Associate AD, Operations/Event Management.

Thus Jews, Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

\_\_\_\_, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

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, UISG President

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### 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 8, 2016 Student Senate Session #12 S.S.R. #9

Sponsor: Senator Bruno Ponce and Senator Akash Bhalerao Referred to the Sustainability, Diversity, Student Life, and Safety Committee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

To commend and support the work of UI Department of Parking & Transportation for establishing the UI RideShare Network and to have an all-UISG Marketing effort for the network to get out to students.

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This Resolution may be cited as the "UI RideShare Network Resolution"
- 3 Whereas, the University of Iowa now has a centralized Ride Share network for
- 4 students, staff and faculty; and
- 5 Whereas, 45.5% of the student population at the University of Iowa is considered
- 6 out-of-state; and
- 7 Whereas, the State of Iowa Department of Transportation has released a
- 8 statewide program that helped established and will assist in maintaining UI
- 9 RideShare; and
- 10 Whereas, until now students have been using social media like Facebook as a
- 11 means to find carpooling options, and even if it is not necessarily dangerous, it is
- 12 not secure; and
- 13 Whereas, UI RideShare uses state-of-the-art technology and software to help
- 14 university employees and students find commuting partners who also work or
- 15 study at the University of Iowa. The system can also be used for single-trip
- 16 matching to athletic, performance, or community events plus options for finding
- 17 walking, biking, and transit buddies.
- 18 Whereas, UI RideShare will enhance the UI student life experience and make it
- 19 convenient for students to find rides as they can register using their hawk ID
- 20 and password, thus also making it a secure option for students

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- 22 Whereas, UI just like other major educational institutions has a diverse group of
- 23 students from different socioeconomic backgrounds and UI RideShare will make
- 24 intra-town and inter-town transport affordable for all students
- 25 Whereas, UI RideShare will encourage students to carpool and not use their cars
- as often or to even not bring cars to campus, thus preventing emissions of
- 27 greenhouse gases like carbon dioxide, also helping reduce traffic

Whereas, the University of Iowa now has a secure, affordable, and sustainable 28 carpooling network for students, faculty, and staff: Now, therefore, be it 29 Resolved, 30 1) UISG commends the efforts of the University of Iowa Parking & 31 Transportation for making UI RideShare available for students, staff, 32 faculty; and 33 2) UISG will help University of Iowa Department of Parking and 34 Transportation to get the word about the RideShare Network to as many 35 students as they can; and be it further 36 Resolved, this resolution will be sent to President Harreld, UI Department of 37 Parking and Transportation, State of Iowa Department of Transportation. 38 . Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session. , Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

# **University of Iowa Student Government**

## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Student Senate Session #12 S.S.R. #10

Sponsor: Senator Owens and Senator Finn

Referred to the Diversity and Sustainability Committee

Student Senate Action; Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

To stand in solidarity with the #NoDAPL movement, amplify marginalized voices at the University of Iowa and in this country, and call for the termination of the Dakota Access pipeline in its current state.

#### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This act may be cited as "Solidarity Against DAPL."
- 3 Whereas, the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) is an underground crude oil pipeline, the
- 4 construction of which started in early 2016, which plans to carry between 470,000 and
- 5 570,000 barrels per day through 1,200 miles of North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, and
- 6 Illinois; and,
- 7 Whereas, the pipeline was originally planned to cross under the Missouri River north
- 8 of Bismarck, ND, but, due to concerns about potential water supply contamination, was
- 9 rerouted to cross the river half a mile upstream of the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation;
- 10 and,
- 11 Whereas, although the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe expressed concerns about threats to
- their water supply and that the pipeline would disturb cultural, religious, and ancient
- burial sites, the construction was approved by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in July,
- 14 2016; and,
- 15 Whereas, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's opposition to the pipeline and requests for
- consultation have been largely overlooked, up until November 14<sup>th</sup> 2016, since the
- original proposal of the pipeline in 2014; and,

18 19 20	Whereas, the Army Corps of Engineers disregarded similar concerns expressed by the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of the Interior, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation when it approved this project; and,
21	Whereas, the Army Corps of Engineers did not fully consider the environmental and
22	cultural impacts of the project, but rather used Nationwide Permit 12 to consider the
23	entire pipeline as a series of smaller projects with half-acre areas of impact, allowing the
24	Corps to ignore the potential greater impacts of the pipeline; and,
25	Whereas, the proposed route for DAPL cuts through at least 200 rivers, creeks, and
26	tributaries through the Midwest; and,
27	Whereas, wildlife habitats, farms, and communities in Iowa will be directly affected by
28	the implementation of the pipeline; and,
29	Whereas, the University of Iowa and its surrounding communities respect and cherish
30	their natural resources; and,
31	Whereas, the United States has a long, shameful history of stealing from, mistreating,
32	and killing Native Americans, and the University of Iowa Student Government is
33	committed to standing against this pattern of abuse; and,
34	Whereas, the #NoDAPL movement represents the erasure of Native voices and a
35	momentous, collective resistance by indigenous people against settler colonialism; and,
36	Whereas, 300 students at the University of Iowa in addition to 29 campus
37	organizations have expressed interest in support of stopping construction of the Dakota
38	Access Pipeline: Now, therefore, be it
39	Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government stands in solidarity with
40	the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and the #NoDAPL movement; and, be it further
41	Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government reaffirms its support of
42	Native American students; and, be it further
43	Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government urges healthy and
44	sustainable environmental practices in Johnson County, Iowa, and beyond; and,

be it finally

of Engineers, the Iowa Utilities Board, President-Elect Trump and President Obama to terminate the Dakota Access Pipeline project in its current state.  Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou		
, Speaker of the Senate		
I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate		
Session.  , Secretary Sheng Hao Lu		
APPROVED on 1, 2016		
Rachel Zuckerman UISG President		

# University of Iowa Student Government

10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Student Senate Session #14 S.S.R. #11

Sponsor: Senators Abigail Simon, Bailey Carroll and Akash Bhalerao Referred to the Sustainability and Academic Affairs Committees Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

To encourage the University to address major curricular gaps existent in life sciences course offerings at the University of Iowa.

### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This Resolution may be cited as the "Life Science Courses Resolution"
- 3 Whereas, the University of Iowa does not offer sufficient courses for undergraduate
- 4 students in the subjects of ecology, evolution, organismal biology, and field work;
- 5 and
- 6 Whereas, surveyed former and current Biology, Biomedical Engineering, and
- 7 Environmental Sciences students, as well as professors, have voiced concerns and
- 8 frustration over insufficient coursework available; and
- 9 Whereas, foundational courses and fieldwork are essential to successful student
- 10 learning and engagement, as well as post-graduate real life endeavors: Now,
- 11 therefore, be it
- 12 Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government encourages:
- The establishment of additional courses regularly available for undergraduate students in the fields of ecology, evolution, and organismal biology
- 16 2) The Establishment of courses (that are available throughout the academic year) and including emphasis on laboratories focused on evolution/ecology/organismal biology (including field components) to
- 19 encourage application of material taught in the classroom; and, be it further
- 20 Resolved, upon passage that this resolution be sent to Barry Butler,
- 21 Executive Vice President and Provost; Bruce Harreld, President; Chaden
- Djalali, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Diane Slusarski,
- Departmental Executive Officer/Chair, Department of Biology; Bryant
- McAllister, Associate Chair for Undergraduate Education, Department of
- 25 Biology; Andrew Forbes, Associate Professor, Department of Biology; Erin

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	I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017	
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	Sheng Hao Lu	
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	Rachel Zuckerman UISG President	
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## University of Iowa Student Government 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Student Senate Session #14 S.S.R. #12

Sponsor: Senator Ruales and Senator Mohd

Referred to the Academic Affairs, Student Life, Diversity, and Sustainability

Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A RESOLUTION

To commend The University of Iowa's participation in the Unizin Consortium that will increase access, quality, and outcomes of higher education; and to commend any faculty that adopt solutions from the Consortium, and adopt or create Open Educational Resources.

### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This act may be cited as "Unizin Consortium & Open Educational Resources
- 3 Resolution"
- Whereas, higher education is facing a crisis of access, quality, and outcomes.
- 5 Whereas, the National Association of College Stores states the average college
- 6 student spends \$655 on textbooks every year; and
- Whereas, currently only a few courses at The University of Iowa use Open
- 8 Educational Resources; and
- 9 Whereas, solutions to these crises' will need to be through a highly collaborative
- 10 process that calls for faculty adoption of next generation learning technologies; and
- Whereas, the University of Iowa has joined the Unizin Consortium to generate
- solutions to these crises'; and
- Whereas, next generation learning technologies are here to stay, and the
- 14 University's participation will allow its students to harness the full potential of
- these technologies to their advantage; and
- Whereas, Unizin is a nonprofit organization funded by member investments and
- 17 governed by those institutions; and
- Whereas, Unizin's mission is to improve the learning experience by providing
- 19 digital teaching and learning resources that improve access, affordability, economic
- 20 sustainability and learner success. Whether it's innovative ways to find and share
- 21 digital content, delivering course materials more affordably, or providing insights to

22 23	help students succeed, Unizin is committed to improving the learning experience; and	
24 25	Whereas, the Unizin consortium is able to negotiate prices for publisher digital content that are substantially below list price; and	
26 27 28	Whereas, Indiana University has demonstrated that high faculty of adoption of these resources and technologies amounted to \$15 million in student savings in just 2 years; and	
29 30 31	Whereas, additionally, digital content is relevant to sustainability because of economic sustainability and the reduction of paper needed for academic material; and	
32 33 34 35 36	Whereas, outcomes of participating in this consortium and adoption and creation of Open Educational Resources will be increased affordability, increased student outcomes, increased quality of education and increased economic sustainability practices to support the diverse student population at the University of Iowa. Now, therefore be it	
37	Resolved,	
38 39	1) UISG commends the efforts of the Office of Teaching, Learning & Technology for adopting the Unizin platform;	
40 41 42	2) UISG will work to support the Office of Teaching, Learning & Technology in furthering its mission to encourage and promote a university culture that values & rewards teaching and learning excellence;	
43 44	3) UISG encourages faculty to create and adopt affordable Open Educational Resources; and be it further	
45 46 47	Provost; Office of Teaching, Learning, & Technology; Faculty Senate; and	
	, Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou	
	I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016/2017 Student Senate Session.	
	APPROVED on, 2016	
	, UISG President	
	Rachel Zuckerman	

## University of Iowa Student Government 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 29, 2016 Student Senate Session #14 S.S.R. #13

Sponsor: Senator Ruales and Senator Mohd

Referred to the Academic Affairs

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A RESOLUTION

To voice University of Iowa Student Government's support for course material being tax exempt at University of Iowa operated bookstores

#### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This act may be cited as "Course Material Tax Exemption Resolution"
- Whereas, currently, University of Iowa students pay the Iowa sales tax rate of 6.0%
- 4 on all course material purchases made at University of Iowa operated bookstores;
- 5 and
- 6 Whereas, the National Association of College Stores states the average college
- 7 student spends \$655 on textbooks every year leading to an avoidable cost of \$39.30
- 8 in sales tax; and
- 9 Whereas, finding ways to alleviate the ever-increasing cost of higher education is
- 10 critical for increased access, quality, and outcomes; and
- 11 Whereas, campus stores were the market leaders in course material purchases
- during the 2015·16 academic year, so alleviating cost in these locations will benefit
- the majority of our student population; and
- 14 Whereas, implementing this tax exemption will further demonstrate The University
- of Iowa's commitment to its students and their success at Iowa. Now, therefore be it
- 16 Resolved,
- 1. UISG supports the Vice President for Student Life, Tom Rocklin, and his
- staff in their pursuit to place a tax exemption on course materials purchased
- from University of Iowa operated bookstores; and
- 20 2. Upon passage, this resolution will be sent to President Harreld and The
- 21 Division of Student Life.

July Speaker of the Senate

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I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

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# University of Iowa Student Government 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Student Senate Session #14 S.S.R. #14

Sponsor: Senator Bhalerao and Senator Kirschbaum Referred to the Sustainability and Student Life Committees Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

To require composting to be present at every event that is hosted by a student organization or a UI department at the Iowa Memorial Union to make events as sustainable as possible.

- 1 Section 1.
- 2 This act may be cited as "IMU Sustainable Events Resolution".
- 3 Whereas, currently, organizations can request composting bins for events in the
- 4 IMU, but this is not common knowledge as it is not well advertised; and
- 5 Whereas, despite this fact, many organizations request and have composting at
- 6 their events to be sustainable; and
- 7 Whereas, if University Catering provides the food for events, all the dining ware
- 8 and food items are compostable aside from butter packets; and
- 9 Whereas, composting bins are readily available in the IMU and the pick-up
- 10 service is already in place; and
- 11 Whereas, 30% of the waste from the UI is compostable; and
- 12 Whereas, compostable materials that are thrown in the trash are not able to
- 13 properly decompose and are taken to a landfill and burned, emitting greenhouse
- 14 gasses into the atmosphere; and
- 15 Whereas, student organizations can apply to the Green Initiative Fund through
- 16 UISG to request funding to have compostables at the events; and
- 17 Whereas, mandating that events at the IMU have composting is an important
- 18 educational and operational step to make composting more prevalent throughout
- 19 the University of Iowa because the IMU is the main hub for students and
- 20 student organizations on campus: Now, therefore, be it

21	Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government supports and fully		
22	encourages the IMU to require composting to be present at all events in the		
23	Iowa Memorial Union (if not only composting) to lead the campus in terms		
24	of composting; and, be it further		
25	Resolved, this resolution will be sent to Dr. Nelson, Director of IMU &		
26	CSIL; IMU Event Services; IMU Catering; and UI Recycling Coordinator.		
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	I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017		
	Student Senate Session.		
	, Secretary		
	Sheng Hao Lu		
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	ROCUL WELL, UISG President		
	Rachel Zuckerman		
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10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-November 29th, 2016 Student Senate Session #14 S.S.R. #15

Sponsor: Senator Lilian Sanchez and Senator Tom Bowman Referred to the Governmental Relations Committee and Safety Committee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A RESOLUTION

To encourage the Iowa State Legislature to adopt the policy recommendations for Medical Amnesty in the State of Iowa put forth by UISG and ISUSG.

#### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This Resolution may be cited as the "UISG Resolution for Medical Amnesty in the
- 3 State of Iowa"
- 4 Whereas, medical amnesty policies are defined as policies that protect from
- 5 prosecution persons who experience a medical emergency caused by the illegal
- 6 possession or consumption of alcohol, such as underage consumption, open
- 7 container, or public intoxication; and,
- 8 Whereas, 36 states have implemented medical amnesty policies into their legal
- 9 code, including Minnesota and Wisconsin, whose current legislation serve as the
- 10 foundation for our recommendations; and,
- 11 Whereas, the state of Minnesota's current legislation, H.F. 946, affords legal
- 12 amnesty to those in need of an alcohol-related medical emergency and extends
- 13 amnesty to those reporting other safety concerns, such as sexual assault and
- 14 domestic violence; and,
- Whereas, the state of Wisconsin's current legislation, Assembly Bill 808, prohibits
- 16 the issuance of alcohol related citations to individuals who were victims of sexual
- 17 assault and other crimes and to the individuals who report such crimes, and
- 18 prohibits educational institutions from issuing any sort of academic reprimand
- 19 including, but not limited to: suspension, expulsion, removal from courses, and
- 20 eviction; and,

- 21 Whereas, the State of Iowa is one of fourteen states that lacks a medical amnesty 22 policy in its legal code; and, 23 Whereas, the spirit of medical amnesty has legislative precedent in Iowa, established by the state of Iowa's current legislation, S.F. 2218, which allows for the 24 administration of an opioid antagonist to those experiencing an opioid overdose, 25 reducing barriers to saving lives; and, 26 Whereas, currently, in situations that would be applicable to medical amnesty 27 policies, the decision to issue a citation is left up to officer discretion, which prevents 28 a guarantee of protection from prosecution and/or citation for persons who 29 30 experience a medical emergency caused by the illegal possession or consumption of 31 alcohol; and, 32 Whereas, the University of Iowa and the University of Northern Iowa each have 33 their own policies that equate to medical amnesty, respectively the Responsible Action Protocol and the Good Samaritan Policy, which protect students who violate 34 35 the student code from academic repercussions, including but not limited to 36 suspensions, expulsions, course drops, and evictions; and, 37 Whereas, the Responsible Action Protocol and the Good Samaritan Policy only 38 protect from academic repercussions from the institution, not legal repercussions 39 from state and local authorities; and. 40 Whereas, jointly, the Iowa State University Student Government and the 41 University of Iowa Student Government, make the following recommendations to 42 the State Legislature for immediate adoption as found in the "Proposal for Medical 43 Amnesty in the State of Iowa": 44 1. Underage individuals who seek emergency medical attention for themselves or on 45 behalf of another individual will not be charged with violations and reprimands found in 46 lowa Code 123.46, lowa Code 123.47, subsection 3 and 4, and lowa Code 805.8C. 47 subsection 7. 48 2. Underage individuals who seek emergency safety protection from crimes including
  - 3. Prohibit certain disciplinary sanctions, including but not limited to suspension, expulsion, and eviction, from educational institutions if the underage individual is a student.

but not limited to rape, sexual assault, and domestic violence, for themselves or on

behalf of another individual will not be charged with violations and reprimands found in Iowa Code 123.46, Iowa Code 123.47, subsection 3 and 4, and Iowa Code 805.8C,

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56 4. These protections will apply only to the first (1st) individual who requests emergency 57 services and to the person for whom emergency services are being requested. 58 5. For an individual to receive these protections they must: 59 a. Communicate the emergency to an authority and, in the event the 60 individual is calling on behalf of another, remain with the individual until 61 the appropriate care can be provided. 62 b. Cooperate with all emergency personnel with the provision of emergency 63 services. 64 c. Should any underage party demonstrate non-compliance with any of 65 these instructions, the above protections shall be rendered moot; and, 66 Whereas, unintentional alcohol related accidents are among the leading causes of 67 death for individuals between the ages of 18.24 in the United States; and, 68 Whereas, medical amnesty policies have demonstrated the ability to mitigate the 69 threat of unintentional alcohol related accidents, as found in a 2006 Cornell 70 University study, which determined that: 71 There was a 7.5% decrease in alcohol-related emergency room cases. 72 There was a 22% increase in calls for medical assistance. 73 There was a 61% decrease in students who reported not calling emergency 74 services because they feared repercussions; and, 75 76 Whereas, medical amnesty is a non-partisan policy that has received support in every jurisdiction. Now, therefore, be it 77 78 Resolved, The UISG supports and encourages the Iowa State Legislature to 79 adopt policies that protect from prosecution persons who experience a medical emergency caused by the illegal possession or consumption of alcohol 80 81 and remove obstacles that may lead to hesitation when reporting incidences; 82 and, be it further, 83 Resolved, this resolution will be sent to Governor Terry Branstad, 84 distinguished members of the Iowa State Legislature House and Senate, and 85 all University of Iowa Government Relations persons.

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I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017

ÚISG President

Student Senate Session.

, Secretary

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# 10th Legislative Session-Month Day, Year Student Senate Session #18 S.S.B. #15

Sponsor: Senator Tom Bowman and Senator Alexia Sanchez Referred to the Student Life Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### AN ACT

To allocate \$10,048.74 to the Lockers on Campus initiative to fund the installation of lockers on the ground floor of the Iowa Memorial Union.

#### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This act may be cited as "Lockers on Campus"
- 3 Section 2. Problem
- 4 UISG has identified a need for free, short-term lockers on campus. A UISG student outreach
- 5 survey has confirmed this need. This is a platform initiative that many senators in the current
- 6 Student Senate promised to fulfill.

#### 7 Section 3. Limitations of Current Lockers on Campus

- 8 While lockers are currently offered in multiple places across campus, a variety of factors prevent
- 9 students from taking full advantage of these options. Primarily, lockers already operate at
- maximum capacity, are located in spaces with limited accessibility, require payment, are
- 11 reserved for specific membership, or exhibit a combination of these limiting factors. Altogether,
- the current locker offerings on campus do not satisfy the overall need.

#### 13 Section 4. Student Outreach Survey

- In order to more precisely gauge the need for additional lockers on campus, UISG released a
- student outreach survey on November 7th. In total, 144 individuals submitted responses to
- questions regarding the possible implementation of free lockers in the Iowa Memorial Union
- 17 (IMU). Of the 144 respondents, 76.4% (110) stated they would, "benefit from a free locker rental
- system in the IMU." From this subgroup, the most requested duration of use was short-term.



19 In addition, multiple students also offered more detailed support for this initiative in their survey 20 responses: 21 "I would LOVE a locker on campus; this would make it possible for me to study more, 22 workout, and be more involved because I wouldn't have to take the time to walk all the 23 way to my apartment and back." "I've been talking about wanting lockers on campus for a while! I think this is a great 24 initiative! I bike to school sometimes and I'd love to have a place to keep my helmet 25 26 during the day instead of carrying it around!" "That would be so nice to have a place to hang suit jackets or professional dress" 27 28 Section 5. Solution: Locker Details and Expenses 29 In order to address the need for additional free, short-term lockers on campus, a total of 48 30 storage spaces will be installed on the ground floor of the IMU near Student Health & Wellness. 31 UISG will be responsible for covering the upfront costs of the lockers in a one-time allocation of 32 \$10,048.74. IMU staff will be responsible for the installation of the lockers, day-to-day 33 maintenance, and locker security. 34 Of the 48 storage spaces, 16 will be designed to accommodate hanging clothes (15" width X 20" 35 depth X 36" height), and 32 will be designed to accommodate backpacks, duffel bags, bike helmets, and other smaller items (15" width X 20" depth X 18" height). This split is derived 36 37 from responses to the student outreach survey, in which 60% of respondents who said they 38 would benefit from free lockers in the IMU stated the smaller locker size would best suit their 39 needs. 40 All storage spaces will have keyless numerical locks, which allow users to set a single-use code. 41 This code automatically resets after it is entered a second time when retrieving items. IMU 42 personnel will have a master code that allows access at any time, allowing them to address 43 security concerns, abandoned storage spaces, or forgotten codes. The total expenses will be \$10,048.74. 44

Two Door Wood Laminate Locker (8)	\$5,327.84
Four-Tier Cubby Storage Locker (8)	\$6,749.28



Single Depth Locker End Panels (2)	\$162.86
Locker Discounts	-\$1,662.36
%5 Discount for Order Over \$900	-\$528.88
Total	\$10,048.74

Figure 1. Expenses by line-item.

#### Section 6, Collaboration with the IMU

- 46 Throughout the development of the Lockers on Campus Initiative, UISG has collaborated closely
- 47 with the IMU. Particularly, the IMU's Executive Director, Bill Nelson, and Associate Director of
- 48 Event and Facility Operations, Cory Lockwood, played integral roles in the development and
- 49 planning of this initiative.

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- The decision to install the lockers on the ground floor of the IMU near Student Health &
- Wellness was a collective agreement between UISG and the IMU. This decision was based on
- 52 specific guiding principles. For one, as the center for student life on campus, the IMU is a natural
- 53 fit for this project. Secondly, this location within the IMU offers significant advantages on a
- variety of measures:
  - Users will have convenient access via the south entrance
  - Location in a high-trafficked area will help promote use
  - Lockers will be in close proximity to food service outlets, which has been linked to overall success in similar locker programs at other universities
    - Security and maintenance can be incorporated into regular responsibilities of IMU staff
- 60 Installation will not violate any building regulations
- In effect, this location and collaborative effort with the IMU will result in the best possible user
- 62 experience.

### 63 Section 7. Discussion

- The allocation of \$10,048.74 will provide a secure, free, short-term storage option for students to
- 65 meet their individual needs.



Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President Zuckerman

, Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED on Cos 2, 2017

Rachel Zuckerman

, UISG President



## 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 Student Senate Session #18 S.S.B. #17

Sponsor: Senator Dellos

Referred to the SABAC Committee

Student Senate Action. Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### AN ACT

Expanding audio-visual (AV) equipment purchases in order to reduce fees for student organizations

#### 1 Section 1. Short Title

2 This Bill may be cited as the "IMU AV Equipment Purchases"

#### 3 Section 2. Discussion

- 4 Each semester, SABAC is faced with the challenge of meeting financial needs of student
- 5 organizations while only having access to a limited pool of resources. Purchasing AV
- 6 equipment would allow student organizations to reduce costs and, consequently, SABAC
- 7 could further subsidize events and organizational activities.
- 8 Equipment rental programs with the IMU are already in place and have been utilized
- 9 frequently by student organizations. This bill seeks to expand the program by purchasing
- 10 \$20,375 in AV equipment. Funding for these purchases will come from contingency
- funds. SABAC and CFO Hou have discussed the proposal and are comfortable moving
- 12 forward with the purchases.

#### 13 Section 3. Action

- 14 The University of Iowa Student Government will purchase \$20,375 of AV equipment for
- the purpose of renting out the equipment to student organizations. Funding will be drawn
- 16 from the UISG contingency account.

#### 17 Section 4. Enactment Clause

- 18 Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President
- 19 Zuckerman



, Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

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\_\_\_\_, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED on tell. 2, 2017

**UISG** President

Rachel Zuckerman/



10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-January 31, 2017 Student Senate Session #18 S.S.B. #18

Sponsor: Senator Dellos

Referred to the SABAC Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### AN ACT

Relating to the allocation of \$47,515 to student organizations that submitted budget requests for the Supplemental Funding Period II.

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This bill may be cited as "Supplemental Funding II"
- 3 Section 2. Background
- 4 SABAC and CFO Hou met on January 29th to review budget proposals for the Supplemental
- 5 II funding period. Due to the surplus in UISG's contingency account, the committee and
- 6 CFO Hou deemed it appropriate to redirect an additional \$32,515 to student organizations.
- 7 This figure follows the contingency spend-down plan presented to Senate earlier this
- 8 academic year.
- 9 Section 3. Funding Allocation
- 10 \$47,515 will be allocated to student organizations based on SABAC's max funding
- 11 standards.
- 12 Section 4. Enactment Clause
- 13 Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President

14 Zuckerman

\_, Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

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\_\_\_\_, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu



APPROVED on Feb. 2,2017

, UISG President



10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-January 31, 2017 Student Senate Session #18 S.S.B. #19

Sponsor: Senator Dellos

Referred to the SABAC Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### AN ACT

Relating to the allocation of \$27,205 to student organizations that submitted budget requests for the TEA III Funding Period

- 1 Section 1. Short Title 1
- 2 This bill may be cited as "TEA III Funding"
- 3 Section 2: Background
- 4 SABAC and CFO Hou met to discuss funding requests and agreed upon the
- 5 allocations included with this bill. For the TEA III Funding Period, \$11,180 and
- 6 \$16,025 will be allocated for travel and equipment, respectively.
- 7 Section 3. Funding Allocation
- 8 In total, \$27,205 will be allocated in total during the TEA III funding period based
- 9 on SABAC's max funding standards.
- 10 Section 4: Enactment Clause
- 11 Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of

12 President Zuckerman

, Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 20 16-20 17 Student Senate Session.

\_\_\_\_, Secretary
Sheng Hao Lu



APPROVED on Feb. 2, 2017

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10th Legislative Session-February 14, 2017 **Student Senate Session #20** S.S.B. #20

Sponsor: Senator Gronski Referred to the Internal Affairs Committee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### AN ACT

Relating to the implementation of the amendments made to the 2017 UISG Election Code.

#### Section 1, Short Title

This bill may be cited as "2017 Election Code Amendments."

### Section 2. Background

A series of amendments were made to the UISG Election Code, based on the perceived need for change in format, language, and specific content. The document was made easier to read, and additional regulations were added to sections about campaigning. All changes were presented to the UISG Student Senate to be reviewed.

#### Section 3. Action

The UISG Student Senate accepts the changes made to the UISG Election Code and makes these changes enforceable by the Student Elections Commissioner beginning in the spring 2017 elections.

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hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.
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APPROVED on Feb 10, 2017



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10th Legislative Session-February 14th, 2017 Student Senate Session #21 S.S.B. #21

Sponsor: Senator Bhalerao Referred to the Internal Affairs Committee Student Senate Action; Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### AN ACT

Relating to the addition of two reserved independent senator seats.

#### **Section 1. Short Title**

This bill may be cited as "Independent seat additions"

# Section 2. Background

The 9th Legislative session of the UISG Student Senate added two seats that were to be reserved for senators running independently during student government elections. This was done in an effort to make UISG more accessible to the student body as a whole; SSB17 from the 2015-2016 Student Senate Session stated:

"The election system is disadvantages those without connections to current members of the University of Iowa Student Government [...] disadvantaged candidates are effectively excluded from obtaining an appointment to the Senate [...] the needs of the student body can be better represented by having some unbiased senators."

#### Section 3. Action

The UISG Election Code be amended to reflect the adjustment in the apportionment of at-large Senate seats so that an additional two seats will be awarded to independent senators, resulting in a total of four senators elected independently.

The Election Code shall be amended under Section II. Definitions to replace:

### "C. Ticket shall be defined as:

- 1. Consisting of, but not limited to, an executive ticket, its affiliated senators, and/or adherents.
- 2. A maximum of one presidential candidate, one vice presidential candidate, 36



Senators elected at-large with a ticket affiliation during the election, and 2 Senators elected atlarge with no ticket affiliation."

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- "C. Ticket shall be defined as:
  - 1. Consisting of, but not limited to, an executive ticket, its affiliated senators, and/or adherents.
  - 2. A maximum of one presidential candidate, one vice presidential candidate, and 34 Senators elected at-large with a ticket affiliation during the election.
- D. Independent shall be defined as:
  - 1. A Senator elected at-large with no ticket affiliation.
  - 2. One of 4 Senate seats reserved for Senators with no ticket affiliation."

#### Section 4. Enactment Clause

Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President Zuckerman

\_\_, Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

Sheng Hao Lu

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APPROVED on Feb. 14, 2017

UISG President

Rachel Zuckerman



# 10th Legislative Session-February 14, 2017 Student Senate Session #20 S.S.B. #22

Sponsor: Senator Reed
Referred to the SABAC Committee
Student Senate Action (Passed) Failed/Tabled

#### A BILL

To Divert Funding for the Promotion of Free Speech and First Amendment Education

#### Section 1. Short Title

The Bill may be cited as "UISG Contribution to First Amendment and Free Speech Symposium."

# Section 2. Background - Freedom of Speech in Academic Settings

The balance of free speech and hate speech has been a historically difficult conversation, especially in academic settings. While fostering open, educational discussions, it is incredibly important to be conscious of moral and ethical considerations of the impact of one's speech. In order to increase knowledge and awareness of First Amendment rights, especially the balance of free speech and hate speech, and to initiate a productive conversation on campus, The University of Iowa has elected to host a symposium on Tuesday, March 28th titled "Honoring and Hating Free Speech: The Challenges of The First Amendment." This symposium will be a valuable resource for students especially during the current political climate.

The student governments, UISG and GSPG, in collaboration with Office of the President, Vice President of Student Life, Center for Student Involvement and Leadership, Graduate College, Tippie College of business, College of Education, Inter-Fraternity Council, Dean of Students, Office of the Provost, University Lecture Committee, and the Carver College of Medicine believe that a financial contribution is in order to support the education of university students, faculty, and staff on their First Amendment rights.

#### Section 3. Funding Allocation

The total cost of the symposium is \$61,250.00 with UISG contributing \$10,000.

# Section 4. Enactment Clause

Be it enacted by University of Iowa Student Government upon the signature of President Zuckerman.  Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast
I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.
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APPROVED on Feb. 142017 Sheng Hao Lu
Rachel Zuckerman, UISG President



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# University of Iowa Student Government

10th Legislative Session-February 14th, 2017 Student Senate Session #20 S.S.R. #11

Sponsor: Senators Abigail Simon, Bailey Carroll and Akash Bhalerao Referred to the Sustainability and Academic Affairs Committees Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

### A Resolution

To encourage the University to address major curricular gaps existent in life sciences course offerings at the University of Iowa.

1	Section 1. Short Title
2	This Resolution may be cited as the "Life Science Courses Resolution"
3 4 5	Whereas, the University of Iowa does not offer sufficient courses for undergraduate students in the subjects of ecology, evolution, organismal biology, and field work; and
6 7 8	Whereas, surveyed former and current Biology, Biomedical Engineering, and Environmental Sciences students have voiced concerns and frustration over insufficient coursework available; and
9 10 11	Whereas, foundational courses and fieldwork are essential to successful student learning and engagement, as well as post-graduate real life endeavors: Now, therefore, be it
12	Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government encourages:
13 14	1) The establishment of additional courses available for undergraduate students in the fields of ecology, evolution, and organismal biology
15 16 17	2) The establishment of courses available (that are throughout the academic year) with emphasis on field work to encourage application of material taught in the classroom; and, be it further
18	Resolved, upon passage that this resolution be sent to Barry Butler, Executive Vice

President and Provost; Bruce Harreld, President; Chaden Djalali, Dean of the

Officer/Chair, Department of Biology; Bryant McAllister, Associate Chair for

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Diane Slusarski, Departmental Executive



- 22 Undergraduate Education, Department of Biology; Andrew Forbes, Associate
- 23 Professor, Department of Biology; Erin Irish, Associate Professor, Department of
- 24 Biology; Tom Foster, Departmental Executive Chair, Earth & Environmental
- 25 Sciences; Helena Dettmer, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs &
- 26 Curriculum; Raúl Curto, Executive Associate Dean, Associate Dean for Faculty, and
- 27 the Natural & Mathematical Sciences; Lon Moeller, Associate Provost for
- 28 Undergraduate Education and Dean of the University College; Dave Bennet,
- 29 Department Chair, Department of Geographical and Sustainability Sciences; Tyler
- 30 Priest, Undergraduate coordinator, Department of Geographical and Sustainability
- 31 Sciences; James Gloer, Department Executive Officer, Department of Chemistry; and

32 Mark Young, Undergraduate coordinator, Department of Chemistry.

, Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017

Student Senate Session.

\_\_\_\_, **Secretary** Sheng Hao Lu

AMENDED on Feb. 20, 2017

**UISG** President

# 10th Legislative Session-January 17, 2017 **Student Senate Session #16** S.S.R. 16

Sponsor: Senator Prendergast Student Senate Action; Passed/Failed/Tabled

# A RESOLUTION

Relating to the appointment of three nominees to vacant Charter Committee seats.

1	Section 1. Short Title
2	This resolution may be cited as "Presidential Charter Committee Appointment"
3	Whereas, undergraduate members of the Lecture Committee and Research Council have been vacated their seats; and
5 6	Whereas, there are two open seats on the Lecture Committee and one open seat on Research Council; and
7	Whereas, a search was conducted to fill the vacancies; and
8 9	Whereas, the UISG President has the power to recommend nominees to the Senate to fill vacancies: Now, therefore, be it
10 11	Resolved, that Adam Dellos and Abigail Simon be appointed to Lecture Committee and Zefan "Avery" Qin be appointed to Research Council.
	Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou
	I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session. Secretary

APPROVED on M. O. 2017

MCK, UISG President
Rachel Zuckerman

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# 10th Legislative Session- January 17, 2017 Student Senate Session #16 S.S.R. 17

Sponsor: Senator Prendergast

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

# A Resolution

Relating to the appointment of one nominee to External Relations Cabinet Position.

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1	Section 1. Short Title
2	This resolution may be cited as "External Relations Appointment".
3	Whereas, the External Relations Cabinet position has been vacated; and
4 5	Whereas, President Zuckerman has undergone a search for a qualified individual to fill the vacancy; and
6 7	Whereas, the UISG President has the power to recommend nominees to the Senate to fill vacant positions: Now, therefore, be it
8	Resolved, that Hallee Haygood be appointed to the position of External Relations.
	, Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou
	I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

\_\_\_\_, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

# 10th Legislative Session- January 17, 2017 Student Senate Session #16 S.S.R. 18

Sponsor: Senator Prendergast Student Senate Action: (Passed/Failed/Tabled

A Resolution

Relating to the appointment of one nominee to External Relations Cabinet Position.

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This resolution may be cited as "Student Judicial Court Nomination".
- 3 Whereas, a justice was removed from the Student Judicial Court; and
- Whereas, Chief Justice Valentin has undergone a search for a qualified individual
- 5 to fill the vacancy; and

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- 6 Whereas, the UISG President has the power to recommend nominees to the Senate
- 7 to fill vacant positions: Now, therefore, be it
  - Resolved, that Margaret Sperry be appointed to the position of Justice within the Student Judicial Court.

, Speaker of the Senate Titus Hou

> \_\_\_\_, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

APPROVED on Jan 10, 2017

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Rachel Zuckerman



# 10th Legislative Session- January 31, 2017 Student Senate Session #18 S.S.R. 19

Sponsor: Senator Lilian Sanchez

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

Relating to the appointment of one nominee to Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Cabinet Position.

- 1 Section 1. Short Title
- 2 This resolution may be cited as "CFO Appointment"
- Whereas, the CFO Cabinet position has been vacated; and
- 4 Whereas, President Zuckerman has undergone a search for a qualified individual to fill the
- 5 vacancy; and

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- Whereas, the UISG President has the power to recommend nominees to the Senate to fill vacant
- 7 positions: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that Titus Hou be appointed to the position of CFO.

, Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

> \_\_\_, **Secretary** Sheng Hao Lu

I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate

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, UISG President

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# 10th Legislative Session- January 31st, 2017 Student Senate Session #18 S.S.R.20

Sponsor: Senator Lilian Sanchez

Referred to: The Nominations Subcommittee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

### A Resolution

Relating to the nomination of at-large senator seats

#### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This resolution may be cited as "Senatorial Appointments"
- Whereas, the Nominations Subcommittee serves as the advisory body for filling vacant senate
- 4 seats; and
- 5 Whereas, 70 people applied, 24 were interviewed, and 11 have been selected; and
- 6 Whereas, the committee was looking for dedicated students with the potential for leadership:
- 7 Now, therefore, be it
- 8 Resolved, the following people shall be appointed to the Student Senate:
- 9 Alex Bare
- 10 Yuejia Gu
- John Heinrich
- 12 Elli Lenz
- 13 Maya Mahajan
- 14 Joe Reed
- 15 Kyle Scheer
- 16 Elliot Smith
- 17 Gustave Stewart
- Nate Weger
- 19 Ziling Xia

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# 10th Legislative Session-February 14th, 2017

#### **Student Senate Session #20**

#### S.S.R.21

Sponsor: Senator Lilian Sanchez, Senator Stewart, Senator Guerrero, and Senator Dunn

Referred to the Governmental Relations Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

To stand in solidarity with undocumented and DACAmented students at the University of Iowa as well as support the continuation of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program through the BRIDGE Act.

### Section 1. Short Title

This resolution may be cited as "Solidarity in Support of Undocumented, DACAmented Students, and the continuation of the DACA program through the BRIDGE Act.

Whereas, the DACA Program was implemented in 2012 in attempt to provide temporary relief from deportation and a two-year work permit, which is subject for renewal at the end of that period to qualifying undocumented young adults who were brought to the U.S. as children; the program does not provide a pathway to citizenship; and,

Whereas, as of September 30th, 2016, 752,154 people had been approved to be a part of the Deferred Action of Children Arrivals (DACA) program<sub>1</sub>; and,

Whereas, according to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, 5,454 Iowans have applied for this Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program since its introduction; and,

Whereas, large school districts in the state of Iowa recognize studies which show that DACA recipients are making significant, positive contributions to their communities and economies by increasing tax revenue for states and localities, starting their own businesses, earning higher wages, participating more fully in the workforce and pursuing educational opportunities that they previously could not access; and,



Whereas, in a study done by Tom K. Wong, United We Dream, National Immigration Law Center, and Center for American Progress they surveyed 1,308 DACA recipients in September 2016 in which<sub>4</sub>:

- 42.5% of respondents got their first job after their DACA application was approved
- 47.3% of respondents have completed some college or received a Bachelor's degree
- 60.7% of respondents pursued educational opportunities that they previously could nots, and;

Whereas, currently DACA is at risk to be dismantled by the current administration which could lead to hundreds of thousands of DACA participants losing their lawful presence and work authorization in the United States. Particularly, students here at the University of Iowa have benefitted from such a program; and,

Whereas, in the light of this risk, Senators Lindsey Graham (R-SC) and Dick Durbin (D-IL) have introduced the BRIDGE Act, a bipartisan legislation whose intent is to allow people who are eligible for or who have received work authorization and temporary relief from deportation through the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program to continue living in the U.S. with permission from the federal government [for three years]6; and,

Whereas, The BRIDGE Act attempts to heal some of those insecurities by establishing concrete legislation that is less subject to change; and,

Whereas, in the State of Iowa, HF265 (formerly HSB67) is a piece of legislation that has been introduced in the Iowa House of Representatives that would prohibit state, counties, cities, and postsecondary educational institutions from limiting or restricting the enforcement of federal immigration law; and,

Whereas, undocumented and DACAmented students at the University of Iowa are a group of individuals that are susceptible to an unpredictable future and are at risk of losing their lawful presence; and,

Whereas, The University of Iowa prohibits discrimination in employment, educational programs, and

activities on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, pregnancy, disability, genetic information, status as a U.S. veteran, service in the U.S. military, sexual orientation, gender identity, associational preferences, or any other classification that deprives the person of consideration as an individual; and,



Whereas, President Harreld, along with over 545 other college and university presidents, signed the Pomona College letter urging business, religious, civic, and nonprofit sectors to support DACA and undocumented immigrant students<sub>8</sub>; and,

Whereas, the Association for Big Ten Schools (ABTS) passed with a super majority a resolution, co-sponsored by the University of Iowa, to join more than 550 college and university presidents in their call to uphold and continue the DACA program as well as reaffirmed its support of undocumented and DACAmented students at every Big Ten Conference university and elsewhere across the country; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the University of Iowa Student Government stands in solidarity with, acknowledges, and honors the promise and potential of all undocumented and DACA mented students on our campus; and be it further

*Resolved,* that the University of Iowa Student Government urges the Iowa General Assembly to stand against HF265; and be it finally

Resolved, that the University of Iowa Student Government respectfully requests that Iowa's Congressional Delegation work to protect our students by supporting the continuation of the DACA Program through the BRIDGE Act.

1 http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2014/08/15/5-facts-about-the-deferred-action-for-childhood-arrivals-program/

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- 6 https://www.nilc.org/issues/daca/faq-bridge-act/
- 7 https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ba=HF%20265&ga=87
- 8 https://diversity.uiowa.edu/undocumented
- 9 https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wHfHHbGz7vklalEcM-jSZLcXAr7FibDjsrpyxcHp0Eg/edit



Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

I hereby attest and certify that this resolution originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

, Secretary

Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED on Elb. 16, 2017

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# 10th Legislative Session – February 14th, 2017 Student Senate Session #20 S.S.R.22

Sponsor: Senator Solon, Senator Bare, and Senator Finn Referred to the Diversity Committee and Government Relations Student Senate Action, Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### **A RESOLUTION**

To voice University of Iowa Student Government's support for SF74 and Iowa City's proclamation to ban conversion therapy in the state of Iowa.

#### Section 1. Short Title

This resolution may be cited as "UISG Support for SF74 and Iowa City's proclamation to ban conversion therapy."

Whereas, conversion therapy, also known as reparative therapy, ex-gay therapy, and sexual reorientation therapy, is a dangerous and discredited practice, that falsely claims it can change a person's sexual orientation or gender identity or expression; and,

Whereas, conversion therapy includes the practice of psychologically and physically abusive techniques that include, but are not limited to, social conditioning, inducing vomiting while showing patient homoerotic images, electroshock therapy, orgasmic and masturbatory reconditioning, hypnosis, and lobotomy; and,

Whereas, people who go through conversion therapy are 8 times more likely to attempt suicide and also 6 times more likely to report high rates of depression; and,

Whereas, the APA (American Psychiatric Association), American Academy of Pediatrics, American Academy of Child Adolescent Psychiatry, American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, American College of Physicians, American Counseling Association, American Medical Association, and other organizations have denounced conversion therapy; and,

Whereas, the University of Iowa has set a standard of accepting LGBTQ students, being the first university in the country to recognize an LGBTQ student organization and among the first to provide the option of listing preferred name and pronouns in University records; and,

Whereas, Iowa City has made a proclamation against conversion therapy saying that conversion therapy "is a dangerous, harmful, unscientific, and illegitimate practice that should be discouraged, denounced, and abandoned as means to change a person's sexual orientation or gender" due to several of the same reasons stated above; and,

Whereas, the Iowa legislature is discussing a bill, currently held in the Senate Human Resources Committee, that would ban "sexual orientation change efforts" towards individuals under the age



of 18 and apply penalties to such acts.

### Therefore be it

*Resolved*, The University of Iowa Student Government supports Iowa City's Proclamation and Iowa Senate Bill SF74.

\_, Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

> \_\_\_\_, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.

APPROVED on Feb. 16, 2017

-VISG President



# 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Student Senate Session #22 S.S.R. #23

Sponsor: Senator Elli Lenz, Senator Nate Weger, and Senator Fiona Xia Referred to the Governmental Relations and Safety Committees Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

# A Resolution

To encourage the Iowa City City Council to amend the housing code to increase the standards that regulate door locks and key pads, specifically in relation to the security of off-campus apartment buildings and apartment units.

### 1 Short Title

- 2 This resolution may be cited as "A Resolution in Support of Secure Off-Campus
- 3 Housing"
- Whereas, in the fall of 2016, an intruder broke into the off-campus apartment of a
- 5 University of Iowa student, and the student claimed they locked their door prior to
- 6 going to bed, which implies that the intruder either had a key to her apartment or
- 7 the lock to her apartment was ineffective; and,
- Whereas, the City Code 17-5-19 A3 states, "Doors: Every door, door hinge, door
- 9 latch, door lock or any associated door hardware shall be maintained in good and
- 10 functional condition, and every door, when closed, shall fit well within its frame;
- 11 and,
- Whereas, the aforementioned section of the City Code does not specify the need to
- 13 have unique lock patterns for exterior building doors nor interior apartment doors,
- 14 which allows for unintentional key patterns to open locks; and,
- 15 Whereas, the aforementioned section of the City Code does not specify the need to
- 16 have strong key-codes combinations nor the need to have building key-codes
- 17 regularly updated; and,
- 18 Whereas, the aforementioned section of the City Code does not require apartment
- 19 unit doors to be equipped with deadbolt locks, often leaving student housing
- 20 without a security feature standard on most types of housing; and,
- Whereas, following a survey taken by University of Iowa students regarding off-
- 22 campus lock security, 79% of respondents do not consider the lock on the exterior of
- 23 their building to be secure, and 69% of respondents have witnessed non-residents
- enter their apartment building without the assistance of a resident; and,



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26 Whereas, if key codes are not strong nor regularly updated, former residents 27 maintain access to buildings and it is easy for non-residents to gain access to 28 buildings; and, 29 Whereas, eight in ten sexual assault victims knew the perpetrator before the event, therefore, there is a need to maintain security within one's building and apartment 30 given that the perpetrator may have previously been in the building and apartment; 31 32 and, Whereas, the City Code should ensure against theft and breaches of privacy in 33 apartment buildings; and, 34 35 Whereas, as residents of Johnson County, students face the highest housing costs in the State of Iowa, and rightfully assume that only they have access to their off-36 campus apartments: Now, therefore, be it 37 38 Resolved, that the University of Iowa Student Government urges the Iowa 39 City Council to make the following amendments to the Iowa City Code: 40 1. Each lock to an apartment complex or house must unlock to only 41 one pattern of key that is consistent throughout the premises 42 2. Each lock to an apartment unit must unlock to only one pattern of 43 key that is unique to the unit on the premises 3. Each door to an apartment unit must be equipped with a secure 44 deadbolt lock 45 4. Key codes that secure apartment complexes must be changed 46 47 annually Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session. Secretary Sheng Hao Lu



# 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session-Month Day, Year Student Senate Session #20 S.S.R. #24

Sponsor: Senator Han, Senator Pokorny, and Senator Dunn Referred to the Governmental Relations Committee Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

# A Resolution in Opposition of Barriers to Voting

# Section 1. Short Title

This act may be cited as A Resolution in Opposition of Barriers to Voting

Whereas, there have been numerous proposals that would create barriers to college students voting including: Secretary of State Paul Pate's Election Integrity proposal, SF47 a bill requiring voter ID, and HF150 a bill needing same day registration; and

Whereas, voter fraud is not an issue, with voter fraud consisting of only 0.0084% of votes cast in the 2012 election in Iowa; and

Whereas, 18-24 year olds are 21 percent of the voting population, yet turn out in dismal rates in elections; and

Whereas, restricting voter ID would further discourage college-age voters from electoral participation; and

Whereas, the University of Iowa Student Government has worked diligently to encourage electoral participation on the University of Iowa campus; and

**Whereas,** States with same day voter registration have higher voter turnout rates, encouraging groups with historically low turnout including: young people and racial minorities, to vote: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government stands in firm opposition to Secretary of State Paul Pate's Election Integrity proposal, HF 150, SF47, and all proposals that would create barriers to college student's voting.

Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.



, Secretary Sheng Hao Lu

APPROVED on Feb. 16, 2017

Rachel Zuckerman

\_\_\_, UISG President



# 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session – February 28, 2017 Student Senate Session #22 S.S.R. #26

Sponsor: Senator Elli Lenz

Referred to the Governmental Relations and Safety Committee

Student Senate Action: (Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

To stand in solidarity with the advocacy work of the Iowa Harm Reduction Coalition, support organizations that provide resources to combat Iowa's current epidemic of opioid abuse, and support the implementation of legal syringe service programs throughout Iowa.

# 1 Short Title

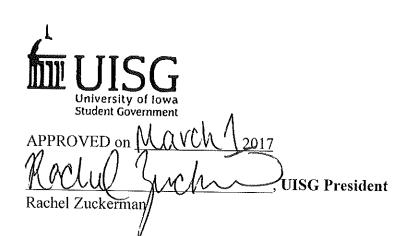
- 2 This act may be cited as "IHRC & Syringe Service Programs Resolution"
- 3 Whereas, Iowa is experiencing an epidemic of opioid abuse; causing record high emergency
- 4 department visits, overdoses, and deaths; and,
- 5 Whereas, opioid abuse through the injection of a reused needle causes the transmission of
- 6 Hepatitis C; and,
- Whereas, long-term risks associated with Hepatitis C include confusion, personality changes,
- 8 disorientation, sleep disorders, jaundice, chronic liver disease, liver cancer, and cirrhosis; and,
- 9 Whereas, The Center of Disease Control estimates that 45% to 85% of persons with Hepatitis C
- are unaware of their infections; therefore, an estimated 110,000 undiagnosed cases exist within
- 11 Iowa; and,
- Whereas, the National Alliance of Advocates for Buprenorphine Treatment states that Iowans
- 18 to 30 years of age saw a 300% increase in new HCV diagnoses between 2009 and 2015; and,
- Whereas, because an approximate 30%-40% of Hepatitis C infections are spread through drug
- 15 injections; and,
- Whereas, Syringe Service Programs, which provide sterilized needles, counseling services, and
- additional resources to opioid users directly combats this epidemic; and,
- Whereas, the Institute of Medicine states that Syringe Service Programs do not encourage the
- initiation of drug use, nor do they increase the frequency of drug use among current users; and,
- 20 Whereas, previous Syringe Service Programs studies performed by The Foundation for AIDS
- 21 Research found that new participants are five times more likely to enter a drug treatment



22 program than non-participants and in some communities, crime rates decrease following the 23 implementation of Syringe Service Programs: and. 24 Whereas, two recently formed community-based harm reduction organizations in Eastern Iowa serve small communities, yet fail to provide systematic, comprehensive prevention services; and, 25 26 Whereas, the Iowa Harm Reduction Coalition advocates for the creation of small, communitybased pilot systems that provide necessary resources and care for opioid users in need of such 27 28 services; 29 Whereas, students at the University of Iowa are members of the Iowa community who are 30 within the age range of those increasingly affected by HCV diagnoses because of needle usage: 31 and. 32 Whereas, In January of 2016, Congress ended the ban on federal funding for Syringe Service 33 Programs; and, 34 Whereas, on February 8th, 2017, the Iowa legislature proposed a bill that decriminalizes syringe 35 services, allowing "hypodermic needles or syringes [to be] sold, possessed through an approved needle exchange program... pursuant to rules adopted by the department of public health;" 36 37 therefore be it: 38 Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government stands in solidarity with the Iowa 39 Harm Reduction Coalition: 40 41 Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government reaffirms its support for the 42 implementation of legal syringe service programs throughout Iowa; 43 Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government urges healthy communities that 44 45 provide support and resources regarding opioid practices in Johnson County, Iowa, and 46 beyond; 47 48 Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government calls upon all congressional 49 members of Iowa's Legislative body to support the enactment of legal-Syringe Service 50 Programs throughout Iowa. , Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 19016-2017 Student Senate Session.

\_\_\_\_, **Secretary** Sheng Hao Lu





# 10<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session- February 28, 2017 Student Senate Session #22 S.S.R. #27

Sponsor: Senator Zaun, Senator Alicea, Senator Bhalerao Referred to the Sustainability Committee Student Senate Action, Passed/Failed/Tabled

#### A Resolution

To encourage and support Iowa Hawk Shop's transition from single use plastic bags to cloth bags and/or incentivizing less plastic consumption.

### 1 Section 1. Short Title

- 2 This resolution may be cited as "Sustainable Bagging at Iowa Hawk Shop."
- 3 Whereas, plastic bag consumption causes numerous negative environmental
- 4 impacts, including the dispersion of toxic chemicals/carcinogens, overfilling of
- 5 landfills, and land/waterway pollution that harms ecosystem functioning; and
- 6 Whereas, only 3-5% of plastic bags used by retailers in the United States are made
- 7 of recyclable material; and
- 8 Whereas, various states, countries, and universities have successfully mitigated
- 9 plastic bag usage via bans (in Ireland, California, and Hawaii), fees (in Washington
- 10 D.C., Chicago, and China), and labeling/recycling programs (in Maine, New York,
- 11 and Rhode Island); and
- Whereas, Iowa City is currently considering a ban on plastic bag usage within city
- 13 limits; and
- 14 Whereas, Iowa Hawk Shop currently only offers single use plastic bags to customers
- 15 upon checkout; and
- Whereas, Iowa Hawk Shop's location in the IMU and ties to the University of Iowa
- make it a highly visible and influential starting place to challenge rampant plastic
- bag usage in the community and demonstrate the University of Iowa's commitment
- 19 to sustainable business practices; and
- 20 Whereas, each cloth bag used at checkout can replace at least 100 single use plastic
- 21 bags; and
- Whereas, the management of Iowa Hawk Shop has entertained the proposal to
- 23 reduce plastic usage by donating to the Green Initiatives Fund when customers do
- 24 not use a plastic bag, and/or purchasing high quality, branded, and reusable cloth



25	bags that customers can purchase at checkout. Now, therefore, be it:
26 27 28	Resolved, the University of Iowa Student Government supports and encourages the Hawk Shop's implementation of sustainable bagging practices by employing incentive structures that motivate customers to either
29 30 31 32	<ul><li>a) Voluntarily refuse a plastic bag for small purchases</li><li>b) Purchase a cloth bag at checkout</li><li>c) Bring their own bag/reuse Iowa Hawk Shop cloth bags; and, be it further</li></ul>
33 34 35 36 37	Resolved, this legislation will be sent to University of Iowa President Bruce Harreld, Director of the IMU Bill Nelson, VP for Student Life Thomas Rocklin, Interim Sustainability Director Sara Maples, Director of Finance and Auxiliary Services of the IMU Bradley Bridges, and Director of Purchasing Deborah Zumbach.
	Speaker of the Senate Mariah Prendergast  I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.  Secretary Sheng Hao Lu  Note that the Senate from the 2016-2017 Student Senate Session.
	Rachel Zuckerman, UISG President



# **Governing Documents**

Every document that directs our operation is on the UISG website, uisg.uiowa.edu, under the "What We Do" tab. This includes our By-laws, Constitution, and funding standards.

# **Questions or Comments?**

If you have further questions about UISG, please contact us via our website at uisg.uiowa.edu or email us at uisg@uiowa.edu.