

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION  
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**

**April 24th, 7:00 PM**

**Zoom Conference Call**

<https://oklahoma.zoom.us/j/92662526832?pwd=VGuKxz94KVUMqSlbCSpaC4a7Waq9ha.1>

**Call to Order**

**SGA Mission Statement:** The mission of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association is to support the University's advancement by prioritizing student voices at every degree level; to advocate for the holistic development of each student; and to promote civic engagement and community involvement across campus.

**GSS Mission Statement:** Graduate Students at the University of Oklahoma have a number of unique concerns and interests requiring a voice separate from the usual instruments that express the will of the faculty and of undergraduates. For this reason, the Graduate Student Senate of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association was established in 1987 to represent all Graduate Students and to serve their needs.

**Reading and Approval of the Minutes** (minutes from previous meeting:

<https://www.ou.edu/content/dam/sga/common/GSS/agendas/2025/4-10-25-GSS-Agenda.pdf>)

**Officer Reports:**

- Chair:
- Vice-Chair:
- Secretary:

**Committee Reports:** (submit your meeting minutes [here](#))

- Academic Affairs:
- Development & Philanthropy:
- External & Legislative Affairs:
- Internal Affairs:
- International Student Affairs:
- Public Relations:
- Sustainability:
- Ways and Means:

**Student Concerns:**

**Special Orders:**

- GS25-33            An Act of Procedure Approving Outstanding Graduate Student Awards for the 2024-2025 Academic Year

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

- GS25-17            Search Committee Clarification Act (Do Pass)
- GS25-18            Red River Holiday Act of 2025 (Do Pass)
- GS25-19            Budget Procedures Act of 2025 (Do Pass)
- GS25-20            Budget Review Procedures Act of 2025 (Do Pass)

- GS25-21 SGA Non-Student Salaries Layout Act of 2025 (Do Pass)
- GS25-22 Scholars Walk Revival Resolution (Do Pass)
- GS25-23 Accommodated Testing Accessibility For All Act (Do Pass)
- GS25-24 Campus Safety Resolution of 2025 (Do Pass)
- GS25-25 The Vice President Appointment Act of 2025 (Do Pass)
- GS25-26 2025-2026 SGA Election Commissioner Appointment Act (Do Pass)
- GS25-27 Spring 2025 Superior Court Appointment Act (Do Pass)
- GS25-28 Sustainable Water Bottle Resolution (Do Pass)
- GS25-29 Midterm Exam Per Day Limit Act of Spring 2025 (Do Pass)
- GS25-30 Immigration Executive Orders of 2025 Awareness Resolution (Do Pass)
- GS25-31 Spring 2025 Departmental Status Act (Do Pass)
- GS25-32 Spring 2025 Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant Act (Do Pass)

**Announcements:**

**Adjournment**

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 15, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-26  
SENATE BILL GS25-17

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation clarifying the advice and consent procedures for Search Committees; providing for short title, providing for codification, and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Search Committee Clarification Act.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to clarify the procedures for appointing individuals to Search Committees.
- Section 3:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Code Annotated Title III Chapter 2 Section 1 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strike through~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

**Chapter III-2 The President**

1. **Power.** The executive power of the SGA shall be vested in the SGA President.<sup>1</sup>
  - a. **Power to Make Appointments.** The SGA President shall have the power, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch, to nominate and appoint all officers of the SGA not otherwise provided for. The SGA President shall have the power to establish Executive Staff Positions, to assist them in fulfilling their presidential duties, with the consent of the Legislative Branch. The SGA President shall have the sole power to appoint personnel to fill these positions.<sup>2</sup>
    - i. **Appointment of the General Counsel.** General counsel shall be appointed by the SGA President, with the advice and consent of the SGA Legislative Branch. General counsel shall be recommended to the SGA President by a committee composed of: the outgoing general counsel; a representative named by each house of the SGA Legislative Branch; and a representative named by the Vice President for Student Affairs. If the SGA President chose some other candidate, such candidate would not be recommended by the selection committee, as required. An Interim General Counsel, whose appointment has been initiated, may remain in office until confirmed or rejected.<sup>3</sup>
    - ii. **Appointment to Search Committees.** Representatives to Search Committees shall be nominated by the SGA President and approved by the Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress and the Chair of the Graduate Student Senate. This can be approved through email or an in-person meeting.

- b. **Interim Vacancies.** The SGA President shall have the power to fill all vacancies that may happen during the recess of the Legislative Branch. The interim appointment shall expire at the end of the Legislative Branch recess. An Interim General Counsel, whose appointment has been initiated, may remain in office until confirmed or rejected.<sup>4</sup>

**Section 4:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Authors: President Avery Dunlap, Student Government Association  
Chair Kyle Martin, Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Authors: Chief of Staff Ellie Wolhuis, Student Government Association

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-27  
SENATE BILL GS25-18

AS INTRODUCED

An Act submitting the Fall 2025 Unscheduled Holiday;  
Providing for short title, providing for codification, and  
providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION:

**Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Red River Holiday Act of 2025.”

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to officially submit an unscheduled holiday to the University of Oklahoma President, Joseph Harroz Jr., for approval pursuant to Section 5.15 of the Board of Regents policy manual.

**Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association officially submits Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as the Fall 2025 Student Holiday.

**Section 4:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Authors: President Avery Dunlap, Student Government Association  
Chair Hope Rhoads, Undergraduate Student Congress  
Chair Jordan Norris, Graduate Student Senate  
Chair Kennedy Corbin, Campus Activities Council  
Chief of Staff Ellie Wolthuis, Student Government Association

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Action taken by Senate

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-29  
SENATE BILL GS25-19

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation making various updates to Title X - Finance; providing for short title; providing for purpose; amending Title X Chapter 1 Section 2; amending Title X Chapter 2 Section 2 Subsection d; amending Title X Chapter 2 Section 2 Subsection e; amending Title X Chapter 2 Section 2 Subsection f number i; amending Title X Chapter 2 Section 3; amending Title X Chapter 4 Section 7 Subsection e; amending Title X Chapter 4 Section 10; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

**Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Budget Procedures Act of 2025”

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update Title X of the Code Annotated to reflect current best practices.

**Section 3:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 1 Section 2 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

~~2. Reimbursement/Direct Payment. Each requested reimbursement/direct payment shall be due thirty (30) days after the issuance of an invoice/receipt or by the end of the current semester, whichever occurs first with the following exception: If extenuating circumstances arise and the thirty (30) day deadline fails to be met, a letter explaining the circumstances may be submitted to the Chair of the SGA Budgetary Committee. The letter and circumstances shall be viewed by the SGA Budgetary Committee, or in the absence of the Committee, by the Chair. All requests must be submitted to SGA for reimbursement/direct payment by 4:00 P.M. on the last day of regular classes in the semester when the cost was incurred. The end of the fiscal year shall be the last day of regular classes in the spring semester of each year.~~

**Section 4:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 2 Section 2 Subsection d is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

d. **Non-Allowable Items.** The following expenditures may not be made with SGA funds, and shall be considered Misuse of Funds (Note: this list is not intended to be restrictive):

- i. Scholarships.
- ii. The purchase of tickets for any event organized by a University department, RSO or administration organization.
- iii. Any donations to charitable causes or activities.
- iv. Endorsement of political candidates or causes (i.e. campus, local, state, national, or worldwide).
- v. Telephone expenditures for rental, installation, or long distance service, except with prior approval of the SGA Budgetary Committee.
- vi. Gifts, cards, prizes, gift certificates.
- vii. Personal items which will belong to an individual and are not necessary or pertinent to the functionality, promotion, or professionalism of an organization, such as, but not limited to: mugs, lamps, personalized office supplies, appliances, giveaways, plaques, trophies, monetary awards, membership pins, etc.
- viii. Personal clothing of any nature with the exception of clothing that will be considered capital investment.
- ix. Alcoholic beverages or medications.
- x. Knives, guns, firearms, ammunition, and weapons of any kind.
- xi. All University of Oklahoma sanctioned parking permits.
- xii. Reimbursement for postage charges which were not processed through O.U. Central Mail Service.
- ~~xiii. Any expenditure, by any student organization, of SGA funds for purpose or uses prohibited by the Regents Policy Statement of December 1992.~~
- xiv. Requests for Salaries and Stipends not in accordance with Title XH, Chapter 5 of this Code and the most current Salaries and Stipends Act.
- xv. The following decorations:
  - Confetti
  - Balloons
  - Loose Glitter

**Section 5:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 2 Section 2 Subsection e number is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

e. **Allowable Items.** The following expenditures may be made with SGA funds (Note: this list is not intended to be restrictive):

- i. Office Supplies. The university awards contracts to vendors, which in turn, offers discounts to the university. ~~Catalogs are available in the SGA office.~~
- ii. Printing. University policies require departments/organizations to utilize the services of university copy centers. Organizations needing the services of off-campus vendors must first secure written permission from the Office of Printing Services.
- ~~iii. Permanent fixtures and publications. All fixtures and publications (25 copies or more) must state "printing funded by SGA" when used to state the organizational purpose or to promote the participation in any program or activity for which the student organization receives funding from SGA.~~
- iv. Advertising in Student Media publications. Ads must pertain directly to the organization and state "funded/sponsored by SGA".

- v. Postage. State law forbids the reimbursement for postage stamps. All mail must be delivered to the SGA Office. A university address must be in the upper left corner: the organizations name, 900 Asp Avenue OMU 181, Box XXX (see list available in SGA office), Norman, OK 73019.
- vi. Rental of facilities and equipment.
- vii. Entry fees for intramurals and tournaments for registered student organizations sports clubs.
- viii. Organizational dues. However, individual dues are not permissible.
- ix. Registration fees for conferences and workshops for OU students and their advisor. The conference/workshop must pertain directly to the registered student organization.
- x. Lodging for conferences, workshops and tournaments for OU students and their advisor. The conference/workshop or tournament must pertain directly to the registered student organization or sports club.
- xi. Transportation. The purpose of the trip must pertain directly to the registered student organization.
- xii. Services provided by DJ's, performers, entertainers, etc. A signed contract must be obtained before the event.
- xiii. Security for events.
- xiv. Food for organizational banquets, dinners, meetings, programs, etc. Meal reimbursements for only select individuals are not allowable except for travel purposes.
- xv. Rental of clothing or regalia for multicultural or international events, performance events, or athletic groups.
- xvi. Clothing for all student groups on the basis of capital investment.
- xvii. All decorations not listed in section d of this bill.
- xviii. Refreshments for organizational meetings and programs.
- ~~xix. Marketing items, subject to approval by the Ways and Means Committee or Budgetary Committee — the purpose of which items shall be to promote the organization and shall only be used to promote the events and activities of the specific organization to which these funds are allocated.~~
- ~~xx. Banners promoting an organization or university event. Each RSO will be limited to two banners per year.~~
- xxi. Subscription renewals.
- xxii. OU solicitation permits.
- xxiii. Guest speaker fees.
- xxiv. Student organizations may use funding for marketing items, publications, banners, and permanent fixtures under the following guidelines:
  - Any publication (25 copies or more) or permanent fixture used to state the organization's purpose or promote participation in a funded program or activity.
  - Marketing items, subject to approval by the Ways and Means Committee or Budgetary Committee, must be used exclusively to promote the organization's events and activities.
  - Each registered student organization (RSO) may receive funding for up to two banners per year to promote the organization or a university event.
  - Any of these uses of funds must state: "Funded by SGA."

**Section 6:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 2 Section 2 Subsection f number i is amended as follows. For the



purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

- i. **Capital Investments.** Items purchased by an organization as Capital Investment are intended for long-term use by the organization, including, but not limited to, electronic devices and furniture. They are the property of the University of Oklahoma. ~~Therefore, they must be accounted for by submitting a verification of inventory to SGA. Organizations must submit an inventory of all university property in their possession to SGA every year. Loss or damage of an item on loan to an organization shall result in a fine equal to the purchased price of the item.~~

**Section 7:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 2 Section 3 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

**3. Release of Funds.** ~~The signed approvals of the individuals listed are required for the release of funds from the accounts indicated:~~

Account Name	Authorization to Sign
<del>SGA Undergraduate Student Congress</del>	<del>Chair, Student Congress; Vice Chair, Student Congress</del>
<del>Housing Center Student Association</del>	<del>President, Housing Center Student Association</del>
<del>SGA Appropriations</del>	<del>Act of Legislation</del>
<del>SGA Executive Branch</del>	<del>SGA President; SGA Vice President</del>
<del>SGA Executive Branch Contingency Fund</del>	<del>SGA President and SGA Vice President</del>
<del>SGA General Operations</del>	<del>SGA President</del>
<del>SGA Special Projects Bureau Line Item</del>	<del>SGA President and Chair, Student Congress and Chair, Graduate Student Senate and Chair, Congress Ways &amp; Means and Chair, Senate Ways &amp; Means</del>
<del>Student Bar Association</del>	<del>President, Student Bar Association</del>
<del>Campus Activities Council</del>	<del>Chair, Campus Activities Council</del>
<del>SGA Advertising &amp; Publications</del>	<del>SGA President Chair, Student Congress Chair, Graduate Student Senate</del>
<del>SGA Greek Affairs</del>	<del>President, Panhellenic or President, Interfraternity Council or President, Multicultural Greek Council or President, National Panhellenic</del>

<del>SGA Budgetary Committee</del>	<del>Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee</del>
<del>SGA Graduate Student Senate Grants</del>	<del>Chair, Graduate Student Senate</del>
<del>SGA Graduate Student Senate Grants Contingency</del>	<del>Chair, Graduate Student Senate</del>
<del>SGA Graduate Student Senate Contingency Fund</del>	<del>Chair, Graduate Student Senate and Chair, Senate Ways &amp; Means</del>
<del>SGA Graduate Student Senate</del>	<del>Chair, Graduate Student Senate; Vice Chair, Graduate Student Senate</del>
<del>SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Contingency Fund</del>	<del>Chair, Student Congress and Chair, Congress Ways &amp; Means</del>
<del>Student Initiatives Fund</del>	<del>Act of Legislation</del>
<del>SGA Elections</del>	<del>Chair, SGA Elections</del>
<del>SGA Salaries &amp; Stipends</del>	<del>Act of Legislation</del>
<del>SGA Judicial Affairs</del>	<del>SGA General Counsel Chief Justice, SGA Superior Court</del>

All other groups, agencies, or organizations shall have, as the person(s) designated financially responsible, those listed on the signature card with the SGA Accounting office. These include, but are not limited to, the President, Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer.

**Signatures Required.** Upon accepting any appointed, designated, or elected position allowing for the release of funds as noted in Sec. 3, above, the person so appointed, designated, or elected shall sign the following: “I have read the SGA Account Information and understand the policies, restrictions on expenditures, and the fine system. I understand that I will be held personally responsible for any deficit or misuse of funds. I understand that I am responsible for compliance with all relevant SGA law. I understand that I take full responsibility for all university property on loan to my organization, including but not limited to, all items purchased as capital investments, and that the loss or damage of any of these items due to the misuse or improper care shall result in my organization being charged for their replacement. I also understand that all purchase order invoices/receipts must be itemized and are due within five (5) working days. I understand all reimbursement/direct payment receipts must be the original, itemized receipt and that they shall be due thirty (30) days after the issuance of the invoice/receipt, excluding internal University transfers, or by the end of the current semester, whichever comes first with the following exception: If extenuating circumstance arise and the thirty (30) day deadline fails to be met, a letter explaining the circumstances may be submitted to the Chair of the SGA Budgetary Committee. The letter and circumstances shall be viewed by the SGA Budgetary Committee, or in the absence of the Committee, by the Chair. All requests must be submitted to SGA for reimbursement/direct payment by 4:00 P.M. on the last day of the regular classes in the semester when the cost was incurred. The end of the fiscal year shall be the last day of regular classes in the spring semester of each year.”

All persons who have been appointed, designated, or elected under who, as noted in Sec. 3 above, can sign for their release of funds must sign the financial card and submit a signed advisor’s card before any appropriated funds will be released. Any aforementioned member of the SGA who fails to sign the financial card shall not serve in any position, appointed or elected, listed in Sec. 3, above.

**Section 8:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 4 Section 7 Subsection e is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

**e. Records**

i. **Electronic Archives.** At the conclusion of the budgetary process, the SGA Budgetary Committee shall store all application and allocation information ~~in electronic form on a CD or other removable storage medium~~ electronically and provide one copy to the Staff Assistant and one copy to the Student Affairs accountant.

ii. **Annual Report.** At the conclusion of the Primary Budget Process, the Chair of the SGA Budgetary Committee shall produce an annual budget report containing the timeline, allocations, and procedural information used for the most recent Primary Budget Process. This report shall be made public to all students at the University of Oklahoma and copies shall be sent to the Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress, Chair of Graduate Student Senate, Campus Activities Council Chair, President of SGA, and the Student Affairs accountant.

**Section 9:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 4 Section 10 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

~~10. **Reimbursement/Direct Payment.** Each requested reimbursement/direct payment, with the exception of internal University transfers, shall be due thirty (30) days after the issuance of an invoice or by the end of the current semester, whichever occurs first with the following exception: If extenuating circumstances arise and the thirty (30) day deadline fails to be met, a letter explaining the circumstances may be submitted to the Chair of the SGA Budgetary Committee. The letter and circumstances shall be viewed by the SGA Budgetary Committee, or in the absence of the Committee, by the Chair. All requests shall be submitted to SGA for reimbursement/direct payment by 4:00 P.M. on the last day of regular classes in the semester when the cost was incurred. The end of the fiscal year shall be the last day of regular classes in the spring semester of each year.~~

**Section 10:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Jacob Schonfield, Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee

Co-Author(s): Elizabeth Duncan, Vice-Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee  
SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-30  
SENATE BILL GS25-20

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation making it so that the Ways and Means Committee may more easily be removed should they fail in their duties; providing for short title; providing for purpose; amending Title X Chapter 4 Section 5; amending Title X Chapter 4 Section 8; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Budget Review Procedures Act of 2025”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update Title X of the Code Annotated to make the review process for funding allocations clearer, and make it easier to remove any member of the WAM committee for failure to perform the tasks they are responsible for.
- Section 3:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 4 Section 5 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

**5. Review Process**

- a. Timeline.** Within twenty-four (24) hours of the conclusion of any Ways and Means Committee meeting where funding allocation takes place, the Ways and Means Committee Chair must alert all RSOs who had a request considered in that meeting as to the status of their application. Within forty-eight (48) hours 5 business days of receiving notice of allocation any organization may submit a formal review request to the Chair of the Budgetary Committee for a reconsideration of allocation by the SGA Budgetary Committee. If the ~~Chair~~ SGA Budgetary Committee denies the request, the organization may submit an appeal directly to the Student Body President.
- b. Requirements/~~Ineligibility~~.** In order for an allocation to be considered for review, an organization must present a reasonable argument as to why the Committee was biased in its allocation .
- c. Submission.** The written appeal shall be submitted electronically directly to the Ways and Means Chair~~man~~ and;
- shall detail key organization information including name, leadership, contact information, and sponsor;

- ii. shall state the original requested amount;
- iii. shall state the amount funded by SGA;
- iv. shall detail thorough reasoning as to why the allocation should be reconsidered.

d. **Ad Hoc Committee**

- i. **Membership.** Membership of the Review Board shall consist of the Student Body Vice President, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress, Chair of the Graduate Student Senate, Chair of the Campus Activities Council, and will be chaired by the Student Body President. The Ways and Means Chair~~man~~ shall serve on the committee in an advisory role and will not have voting privileges.

**Section 4:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 4 Section 8 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

8. **Enforcement.** If the stipulations of this Title and the Budgetary Procedures Act are not followed, as determined by a majority of the Undergraduate Student Congress Executive Committee, which is made up of the Congress Chair, Congress Vice-Chair, Congress Secretary, Congressional Administration Committee Chair, Congress Outreach Safety and Concerns Committee Chair, External Affairs Committee Chair, Human Diversity Committee Chair, Sustainability Committee Chair, University Policy Committee Chair, and Ways and Means Committee Chair~~SGA executive committee, then an Ad Hoc committee shall be created the Congress Big Three (3), consisting of the Chairs of Undergraduate Student Congress, Vice-Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress, and Secretary of Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate, and two (2) members of each House, selected by the respective chairs of each House. This committee shall be chaired by the President of the SGA. This committee shall establish a new timeline and complete the budget process.~~ Undergraduate Student Congress shall have the power to expel from Undergraduate Student Congress the Chair of Ways and Means of Undergraduate Student Congress, the Vice Chair of Ways and Means of Undergraduate Student Congress, and any other ~~Undergraduate Student Congress member of the SGA Budgetary Committee~~ member of Ways and Means of Undergraduate Student Congress for not abiding by the stipulations of this Title and the Budget Procedures Act, by simple majority. Graduate Student Senate shall have the power to expel from Graduate Student Senate the Chair of Ways and Means of Graduate Student Senate, the Vice Chair of Ways and Means of Graduate Student Senate, and the Graduate Student Senate member of the SGA Budgetary Committee for not abiding by the stipulations of this Title and the Budget Procedures Act.

**Section 5:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Jacob Schonfield, Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee

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SGA Budgetary Committee

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-31  
SENATE BILL GS25-21

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation making it so that non-student employee's salaries may more easily be adjusted by the legislature; providing for short title; providing for purpose; amending Title X Chapter 5 Section 1 Subsection 2; amending Title X Chapter 5 Section 1 Subsection 1; amending Title X Chapter 5 Section 2; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

**Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “SGA Non-Student Salaries Layout Act of 2025”

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update Title X of the Code Annotated to allow more flexibility with regard to the payment of the SGA Staff Assistant, the SGA Budget and Account Representative, and OU Student Legal Services Staff Attorney, as well as eliminate the existence of SGA Poll Operators as that position is now obsolete.

**Section 3:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 5 Section 1 Subsection 2 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

Section 2: The following positions shall receive a salary at a rate determined in the salaries and stipends act of their term: SGA Staff Assistant, SGA Budget and Account Representative, OU Student Legal Services Staff Attorney.

- Associates of General Counsel: \$11.00 x 25 hours/week x 34 weeks
- General Counsel: \$12.00 x 25 hours/ week x 48 weeks
- Chief of Staff: \$10.00 x 10 hours/week

The Chief of Staff shall be appointed by the SGA President following an open application process.

- Election Commission Staff: \$50x5 persons x 2 general elections; plus, if needed, \$20x5 people for any runoff or special election (up to three of the aforementioned)

- Election Commissioner: \$500/Spring General Election, \$500/Fall General Election; plus, if needed, \$50 for any runoff or special election (up to three of the aforementioned)
- ~~Election Poll Operators: 20 Individuals per election, \$20x20x 2 elections~~
- ~~Election Commission Members, Chair, and Poll Operators are appointed according to the Elections Procedures Act.~~
- SGA Staff Assistant II: \$16.40/hour x 2080 Hours
- SGA Budget and Account Representative II: \$17.66/hour x 2080 hours

The above positions are selected based upon applications received through the HR website, jobs.ou.edu. Selections are made by the SGA President, SGA Vice President, Congress Chair, Senate Chair, and CAC Chair, as well as their staff supervisor in Student Affairs. Increases in pay are given at the discretion of the aforementioned officials. Additionally, if university wide raises are mandated, the above positions shall receive those increases.

- Student Organization Resource Officers: \$10 x 10 hours/week per officers
- SGA Graphic Designer/Webmaster: \$10 x 10 hours/ week x 34 weeks

The above positions are selected based upon applications received through the HR website, jobs.ou.edu. Selections are made by the SGA President, SGA Vice President, Congress Chair, Senate Chair, and CAC Chair.

- ~~OU Student Legal Services Staff Attorney: \$41,200 per year.~~

The OU SLS Staff Attorney shall be hired according to the policies outlined in Title XI. The staff attorney shall be eligible for benefits at a value of the current fringe benefits rate per OU HR policy.

Any position not enumerated above shall not receive a salary/stipend.

- Student Parking Appeals Board Judges.** The Student Parking Appeals Board Judges are appointed at minimum wage, but not funded by SGA; the positions are reimbursed through the Parking and Transit Office.
- SGA Graphic Designer/Webmaster.** The duties of the SGA Graphic Designer/Webmaster will be to assist the all branches of SGA to create design products, including web graphics, posters, and flyers, and to maintain and update their respective websites as well as any other online content that may be asked of them.

**Section 4:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 5 Section 1 Subsection 1 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

Section 1: The following positions shall receive a stipend:

- Campus Activities Council Chair: \$435/month
- Chair of Congress: \$435/month
- Chair of Senate: \$435/month
- Chair of SGA Budgetary Committee: \$350/month
- Secretary of Congress: \$350/month
- Secretary of Senate: \$350/month
- Student Bar Association President: \$350/month
- SGA President: \$520/month



- SGA Vice President: \$435/month
- Vice Chair of Congress: \$350/month
- Vice Chair of Senate: \$350/month
- Graduate Student Senate Ways and Means Chair: \$350/Fall Grant Cycle  
\$350/Spring Grant Cycle

The pay periods of the above positions will be designated as follows:

- Campus Activities Council Chair, Chair of Congress, Chair of Senate, Secretary of Congress, Secretary of Senate, Student Bar Association President, Vice Chair of Congress, and Vice Chair of Senate shall be compensated monthly with compensation periods beginning August 1st and perpetuating monthly until April 30th.
- The SGA President and SGA Vice President shall be compensated monthly with compensation periods beginning December 1st and perpetuating monthly until November 30th.
- The Chair of SGA Budgetary Committee shall be compensated monthly with compensation periods beginning the month of their appointment by the SGA Congress and ending April 30th.
- The GSS Ways and Means Chair stipend is to be paid out at the end of October and February, corresponding with the deadlines for the Fall and Spring grant deadlines.
- All SGA officers who receive a stipend or salary shall be eligible to receive compensation at their usual rates of pay during the summer, which shall consist of the months June, July. This pay will be given at the discretion of Student Affairs Staff, within the parameters of the budget. The SGA officers who receive a stipend shall only be eligible to receive such compensation while executing their official duties in the course of fulfilling their office hours. ~~The GSS Ways and Means Chair stipend is to be paid out at the end of October and February, corresponding with the deadlines for the Fall and Spring grant deadlines.~~

Stipends are reflective of the weekly office hour requirement for each position. Stipends are based on performing the appropriate number of weekly office hours, as follows:

- All positions receiving \$520 per month are expected twelve office hours.
- All positions receiving \$435 per month are expected ten office hours.
- All positions receiving \$350 per month are expected eight office hours.

**Section 5:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 5 Section 2 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

- ~~2. Stipends are reflective of the weekly office hour requirement for each position. Stipends are based on performing the appropriate number of weekly office hours, as follows:~~
- ~~a. All positions receiving \$520 per month are expected twelve office hours.~~
  - ~~b. All positions receiving \$435 per month are expected ten office hours.~~
  - ~~c. All positions receiving \$350 per month are expected eight office hours.~~

**Section 6:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Jacob Schonfield, Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee

Co-Author(s): Elizabeth Duncan, Vice-Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee  
SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 08, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-113-06  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS25-22

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution encouraging the revival of the  
Scholars Walk and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has long prided itself on being a nationally recognized academic and research institution, producing recipients of competitive and prestigious national scholarships, including but not limited to 130 Fulbright Scholars, 63 Goldwater Recipients, 38 Boren Scholars, 30 Rhodes Scholars, 14 Truman Scholars, 8 Marshall Scholars, 7 Udall Recipients, 1 Gates Cambridge Recipient, and 1 Mitchell Scholar<sup>1</sup>; and
- Whereas: The Scholars Walk was constructed in the summer of 2014 to honor the names of all OU undergraduate and graduate students who have won the most prestigious national and international academic scholarships since 1890, with engraved plaques permanently embedded in the walkway on the east side of the South Oval<sup>2</sup>; and
- Whereas: The Scholars Walk is a prominent stop on campus tours, often highlighted by student guides as a symbol of OU's academic prestige and commitment to excellence, yet its current outdated state presents an incomplete and misleading image of student achievement to prospective students and their families; and
- Whereas: The South Oval, where the Walk is located, serves as one of the most heavily trafficked and visible parts of campus - making the Scholars Walk a key opportunity for OU to showcase its academic legacy to visitors, students, faculty, and alumni alike; and
- Whereas: Despite the Walk's visibility, its lack of updates sends an unintended message that recent academic success is no longer institutionally recognized or celebrated; and
- Whereas: The plaques on the South Oval have not been updated since 2019, despite the fact that there are 44 open spots titled "Scholars Walk" with no names on them, and 37 nationally recognized award recipients since then, including 16 Fulbright Scholars, 9 Goldwater Scholars, 5 Boren Scholars, 2 Truman Scholars, 1 Mitchell Scholar, and 1 Rhodes Scholar; and

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<sup>1</sup> "Nationally Competitive Scholarships and Fellows." The University of Oklahoma, August 29, 2024. <https://www.ou.edu/honors/scholarships/national>.

<sup>2</sup> "Scholars Walk." The University of Oklahoma, August 5, 2021. <https://www.ou.edu/scholarswalk>.

- Whereas: The existence of blank, unused plaques creates a dissonance between what is advertised to the public and what has been preserved, weakening trust in the continuity of OU’s traditions; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma’s website listing recipients of nationally competitive scholarships has not been updated since 2016<sup>3</sup>; and
- Whereas: Recognition of academic achievement should hold equal visibility and institutional value as other high-profile disciplines, including athletics, performing arts, and leadership organizations; and
- Whereas: Honoring student scholars alongside other celebrated groups reinforces a balanced campus culture that values intellectual, creative, and athletic excellence alike; and
- Whereas: Peer institutions such as the University of Minnesota<sup>4</sup>, University of Houston<sup>5</sup>, and others maintain academic walks, digital showcases, or engraved monuments to celebrate student excellence, reinforcing their commitment to academic achievement and competitiveness; and
- Whereas: The students honored on the Walk are often those whose academic achievements bring national visibility to OU, through publications, research, fellowships, and leadership, further justifying institutional celebration and archival; and
- Whereas: Reinstating the Walk could strengthen alumni engagement by honoring individuals who go on to represent OU in elite graduate programs, research fellowships, government service, and national leadership roles; and
- Whereas: The President’s Office has the institutional authority, visibility, and administrative reach to revive and sustain the Scholars Walk as a long-term program supported by centralized oversight; and
- Whereas: Many students - especially those pursuing competitive scholarships - aspire to earn a place on the Walk as a tangible recognition of academic achievement and use it as a motivator to push themselves toward excellence; and
- Whereas: Reinstating the Walk would provide an opportunity to expand its visibility through digital complements such as a searchable website, QR code access, or interactive timelines that align with university modernization efforts; and
- Whereas: The revival of the Scholars Walk aligns with the university’s strategic goals of fostering a nationally competitive academic environment and celebrating high-impact student achievement, as outlined in its “Lead On, University” Strategic Plan; and
- Whereas: Many of the awards recognized by the Scholars Walk - including the Goldwater, Fulbright, Boren, and Marshall Scholarships - are explicitly awarded for research potential, academic distinction, and scholarly innovation, making public recognition of these recipients consistent with the university’s goal to be a top-tier public research institution; and

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<sup>3</sup> “Scholars.” The University of Oklahoma, November 30, 2016. <https://www.ou.edu/scholarswalk/scholars>.

<sup>4</sup> “Scholars Walk.” HOME | Scholars Walk, 2022. <https://scholarswalk.umn.edu/>.

<sup>5</sup> Emery, Mike. “Scholars Walk.” Scholars Walk Saluting Student Success. Accessed April 2, 2025. <https://stories.uh.edu/scholars-walk/index.html>.

- Whereas: The “Lead On, University” Strategic Plan prioritizes elevating OU to the highest tier of public research universities by fostering a culture of research-driven excellence, and the recognition of nationally competitive scholarship recipients supports that mission by highlighting student research as a defining pillar of the university’s national impact; and
- Whereas: Establishing a recurring annual update mechanism each spring after scholarship notifications would ensure the continued relevance, integrity, and sustainability of the Scholars Walk; and
- Whereas: Student-led initiatives such as this resolution represent not only the voice of the student body but also a commitment to preserving institutional memory, elevating academic tradition, and upholding values consistent with OU’s identity as a flagship public institution; and
- Whereas: While a revived Walk would require modest investment, the return - measured in recruitment, alumni relations, morale, prestige, and philanthropic potential - makes it a high-value initiative with enduring benefits; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Scholars Walk Revival Resolution.”
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association recognizes the importance of commemorating winners of nationally competitive scholarships both online and through a permanent public display such as the Scholars Walk.
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages the University to update its public-facing scholarship recipient webpage to reflect the most recent awardees and preserve a searchable digital archive.
- Section 4:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association formally encourages the President’s Office to initiate and oversee the revival of the Scholars Walk, including the addition of missing honorees dating back to 2019, and to establish a sustainable annual update process going forward.
- Section 5:** The University is encouraged to assign responsibility for Walk maintenance to a designated body such as the Honors College, the Office of the President, or the Office of University Advancement, in collaboration with nationally competitive scholarship advisors.
- Section 6:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- Joseph Harroz Jr., President of the University of Oklahoma
  - Michael Markham, Interim Dean of the Honors College
  - Brian Johnson, Nationally Competitive Scholarship Advisor
  - Guy Patton, President and CEO of The University of Oklahoma Foundation
  - Amy Noah, Vice President and Chief Advancement Officer of the University of Oklahoma Foundation
  - Matthew Rom, Director of Facilities or Campus Planning
  - Chancellor Sean Burrage, Chief Executive Officer for the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education

- Dr. Mubeen Shakir, Associate Vice President of Clinical Innovation at OU Health and 2013 Rhodes Scholar

Author(s): Aaron Lim, Associate  
Saniya Shibu, Associate

Co-Author(s): Syed Aslam, Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee Chair

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Wang seconded by Representative Richardson

Action taken by Congress: 34-0-0 unanimous pass

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 15, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-113-09  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS25-23

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution urging the OU Testing Center to  
increase flexibility for students scheduling exams; and  
providing for distribution.

- Whereas: In the past including the Fall 2024 semester, students with testing accommodations were able to schedule their exams at the exact start time of their classes or anytime between the testing hours from 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.; and
- Whereas: In the Spring 2025 semester the testing center switched to a block scheduling system that only allowed students to sign up for exams at 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m.; and
- Whereas: The block scheduling system implemented by the OU testing center has decreased flexibility in what times students with testing accommodations can take exams; and
- Whereas: In an email sent by the OU Testing Center on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, students with testing accommodations were told, “Our facility is specifically designed for students who need exam proctoring. Accommodated students can use our center if their professor cannot provide accommodations in another location;” and
- Whereas: In an email sent by the OU Testing Center on February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2025, students with testing accommodations were instructed, “If your professor requires you to begin at a specific time other than the block times above, please work with him to find an alternative solution;” and
- Whereas: Professors have been urged by the OU Testing Center to take on the burden of providing spaces for students with testing accommodations for taking exams; and
- Whereas: Students with testing accommodations at the University of Oklahoma deserve to be able to take their exams in timely manner without barriers; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION:

**Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Accommodated Testing Accessibility For All Act”

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<sup>6</sup> <https://www.ou.edu/accessandopportunity/testing-center>

**Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association urges the OU Testing Center to remove the block scheduling system.

**Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association urges the OU Testing Center to return to the system which allows students with testing accommodations to take exams at the start of their class time through the testing hours of 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Lauren Sebel, Interim Director of the Accessibility and Disability Resource Center
- Diana Awour, Assistant Director of Student Support
- Donna Lewis, Assistant Director of Communications and Special Projects
- Tina Henderson, Operations Manager of the OU Testing Center

Author(s): Shrey Kathuria, College of Arts and Sciences Representative

Co-Author(s):

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 15, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-113-10  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS25-24

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution recommending the  
Oklahoma State Legislature maintain current laws regarding  
weapons on campus; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Firearms on campus have a chilling effect on associational freedoms and harm the University's compelling interest in free academic discourse<sup>7</sup> ; and
- Whereas: Oklahoma has a gun violence death rate of 19.8 per 100,000, with the national average of 13.7 per 100,000 persons<sup>8</sup>; and
- Whereas: Oklahoma has the 13<sup>th</sup> highest rate of gun violence in the U.S.<sup>9</sup>; and
- Whereas: Currently, Oklahoma state law allows universities and colleges to make their own rules regarding campus gun carry; and
- Whereas: In the present legislative session, no bills have been introduced to change current regulations regarding weapons on campus, despite efforts in past legislative sessions; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT  
CONGRESS AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE, CONCURRING THEREIN THAT:

**Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the "Campus Safety Resolution of 2025."

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<sup>7</sup> Shaundra K Lewis, *Crossfire on Compulsory Campus Carry Laws: When the First and Second Amendments Collide*, 102 Iowa L. Rev. 2109 (2017).

<sup>8</sup> Gramlich, John. "What the Data Says about Gun Deaths in the U.S." *Pew Research Center*, Pew Research Center, 5 Mar. 2025, [www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2025/03/05/what-the-data-says-about-gun-deaths-in-the-us/](http://www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2025/03/05/what-the-data-says-about-gun-deaths-in-the-us/).

<sup>9</sup> "Stats of the States - Firearm Mortality." *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*, CDC, 1 Mar. 2022, [www.cdc.gov/nchs/pressroom/sosmap/firearm\\_mortality/firearm.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/pressroom/sosmap/firearm_mortality/firearm.htm).

**Section 2:** The Student Government Association believes campus safety is a priority to students and any changes to current policy would not only reduce campus safety and endanger lives but would also pose a significant detriment to the learning environment.

**Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages the state legislature to maintain current law regarding weapons on campus, in which the University President has the discretion to allow non-law enforcement personnel to carry weapons on campus when individual circumstances warrant it.

**Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association strongly opposes any changes to state law regarding weapons on college and university campuses.

**Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- President Joseph Harroz
- Dr. David Surratt, Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students
- OUPD Chief Nathaniel Tarver

Author(s): Marilou Bento, Chair of External Affairs  
Weslie Griffin, Member of SGA

Submitted on a motion by:  
Action taken by Congress:  
Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a motion by:  
Action taken by Senate:  
Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 22, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-34  
SENATE BILL NO. GS25-25

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of legislation appointing the Vice President of the  
Executive Branch; providing for short title, and providing  
for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “The Vice President Appointment Act of 2025.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to appoint the Vice President of the Dunlap Administration within the Executive Branch.
- Section 3:** In accordance with the SGA Code Annotated §Title III, Chapter 1, Section 3.A, which delineates the appointment process for the Vice President position, the following student shall thus be appointed:
- Joseph Harroz
- Section 4:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Avery Dunlap, SGA President

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 22, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-35  
SENATE BILL GS25-26

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation appointing the 2025-2026 SGA  
Election Commissioner; providing for short title,  
providing for codification, and providing for an effective  
date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “2025-2026 SGA Election Commissioner Appointment Act.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to appoint the 2025-2026 Election Commissioner.
- Section 3:** In accordance with §Title IV Chapter 6, Section 2, which delineates the appointment process for the position, the following student shall thus be appointed:
- Baylor Savage
- Section 4:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.
- Author(s):** President Avery Dunlap, Student Government Association  
Chair Hope Rhoads, Undergraduate Student Congress  
Chief of Staff Ellie Wolthuis, Student Government Association

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 22, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-36  
SENATE BILL GS25-27

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of legislation appointing justices to the SGA  
Superior Court; providing for short title, providing for  
codification, and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Spring 2025 Superior Court Appointment Act.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to name and appoint a Superior Court Justice.
- Section 3:** In accordance with SGACA Title IV, Chapter 2, section b, subsections iii and iv, Superior Court Justices will be appointed by a majority vote of the panelists [the SGA President, the GSS Chair, the Congress Chair, and the General Counsel]. The Chief Justice of Superior Court is one of the panelists, however they will only vote in the event of the tie.
- Chloe Harris
- Section 4:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Authors: President Avery Dunlap, Student Government Association  
Chair Hope Rhoads, Undergraduate Student Congress  
Chair Jordan Norris, Graduate Student Senate  
Chief Justice Claire Grace, Superior Court  
General Counsel Maddie Taylor, Student Government Association  
Chief of Staff Ellie Wolthuis, Student Government Association

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 22, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-113-11  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS25-28

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution to increase availability and engagement with sustainable water consumption practices at the University of Oklahoma; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: On average, roughly 18 water bottles per day and 6500 per year are saved on campus through touch-free water stations.
- Whereas: Students on OU's campus were found to favor touch-free water fountains with green filter statuses displayed over touch-free fountains with orange or red filter statuses, or that did not display filter statuses.
- Whereas: From 176 responses to a sustainability survey at OU, 84% of people on OU's campus use a reusable water bottle and 34% of people refill their water bottles on OU's campus multiple times a day, 80% of these at a water bottle refill station.
- Whereas: Out of 176 respondents, 6% of people use multiple single-use plastic water bottles per day. However, 48% of people who do not currently use the water bottle refill stations would use the ones on campus if they were to get a reusable water bottle.
- Whereas: Out of 168 respondents, 86% would like to see more refillable water bottle stations on OU's campus.
- Whereas: Out of 169 respondents to a sustainability survey at OU, 21% of students did not know that we have water bottle refill stations or do not know where they are on campus.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION THAT:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the "Sustainable Water Bottle Resolution."
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association propose two actions to improve sustainable practices of water usage on OU's campus: 1) OU's Facilities regularly maintain touch-free water fountain statuses (enabling the filter display to show green as opposed to orange or red), offering students peace of mind about the cleanliness of the water. 2) Implementing touch-free water fountains in two buildings they are most sought after as

found by the campus-wide survey: the National Weather Center and the Physical Sciences Center.

**Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- OU Daily
- OU Nightly
- OU Board of Regents
- Facilities management
- Matt Rom
- Sarah Bellew

Author(s): Arianna Jordan, Graduate Student Senate Sustainability Committee  
Abigail Triemstra, Graduate Student Senate Sustainability Committee  
Caden Smith, Graduate Student Senate Sustainability Committee Chair

Co-Author(s): Paulina Castillo, Graduate Student Senate Sustainability Committee

Co-Sponsor(s): Jordan Norris, Graduate Student Senate Chair

Submitted on a motion by:  
Action taken by Congress:  
Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a motion by:  
Action taken by Senate:  
Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

April 15, 2025

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-113-07  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS25-29

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution to encourage the establishment  
of a university wide midterm exam limit; providing short  
title; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has a final examination limit of three per day already in place.
- Whereas: Midterms exams can be worth the same amount as a final exam, and sometimes more.
- Whereas: Unforeseen circumstances—like an ice storm—have caused Midterm exams to accumulate, with one student having four in one day.
- Whereas: Students do not have a “dead week” before every midterm exam, so oftentimes midterms are serious sources of stress.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Midterm Exam Per Day Limit Act of Spring 2025.”
- Section 2:** A midterm exam shall be defined as: Any in person or virtual exam or test occurring between or during the third and fourteenth weeks of the academic semester and noted as a midterm exam or test in the course syllabus.
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma shall enact a midterm exam per day limit of two, to be in accordance with The University of Oklahoma’s Policy and Procedure Manual’s (OUPPM) chapter on final examination limits. OUPPM Chapter 5.15.4.3 Section I states, “A student will not be expected to take more than two final examinations in one day. In cases where a student has three or more exams scheduled for the same day, instructors must offer make-up exams. ...”
- Section 4:** In the event of three or more midterm exams in one academic day, students must notify the third, and subsequent, instructors--based on the student’s class schedule--of the conflict at least ten academic days before the scheduled date of the exam.
- Section 5:** The third and subsequent exams must be rescheduled to a date within two class periods from the initial scheduled date of the exam.



**Section 6:** In the event of an unforeseen circumstance students must notify their professor of the conflict within 24 hours of the notification of the exam being moved. The exam must be scheduled at most for 14 days after the exam takes place to allow for faculty accommodation.

**Section 7:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Mark Morvant, Senior Vice Provost for Student Success
- Sarah Ellis, Vice Provost for Faculty
- Lori Jervis, Faculty Senate Chair

Author(s): Coleman Morgan, Associate

Co-Authors: Caleb Robinson, University Policy Committee Chair  
Elias Hallum, University Policy Committee Vice-Chair

Co-Sponsor(s): Shrey Kathuria, Arts and Sciences Representative

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS25-30

AS INTRODUCED

A Senate Resolution addressing recent visa revocations in Oklahoma and informing students of available resources; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: International enrollment includes 1,564 students across OU's campus, including 1,447 F-1 visa type and 117 J-1 visa type, as of Spring 2024<sup>10</sup>, and
- Whereas: International students visa revocation has affected international students across the state of Oklahoma – including 12 revocations from Oklahoma State University, 8 from the University of Central Oklahoma, 2 students from Oklahoma Christian University, as well as students at the University of Oklahoma<sup>11</sup>, and
- Whereas: Revocations have occurred without advance notice or detailed explanation<sup>12</sup>, and
- Whereas: F-1, J-1, and SEVIS visa revocations without forewarning had a negative impact on international students and creates an unstable learning environment, and
- Whereas: Some revocations across the United States have been due to exercising free speech rights, such as pro-Palestine protests, which has not been the case in Oklahoma<sup>13</sup>; and
- Whereas: Students have had visas revoked for minor infractions, including speeding or parking tickets<sup>14</sup>, and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Graduate Student Senate is dedicated to standing in support of our international peers, and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Graduate Student Senate urges the University to continuously keep students' information private from ICE or any similar entity to the fullest legal extent possible; and

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<sup>10</sup> "International Student Statistics," Office of Global Engagement International Student Services, accessed April 18, 2025, <http://www.ou.edu/cis/iss/students/about/international-student-statistics.html>.

<sup>11</sup> Ana Barboza and Ismael Lele, "OU Address International Student Visa Revocations," OU Daily, accessed April 18, 2025, [https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-president-joseph-harroz-jr-email-address-concern-international-student-visa-revoked/article\\_99cc79c3-b877-41ca-9661-891942ce02f2.html](https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-president-joseph-harroz-jr-email-address-concern-international-student-visa-revoked/article_99cc79c3-b877-41ca-9661-891942ce02f2.html).

<sup>12</sup> The University of Oklahoma, "Update and Resources: International Students and Federal Visa Status," April 14, 2025.

<sup>13</sup> Barboza and Lele, "OU Address International Student Visa Revocations," OU Daily, April 14, 2025, [https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-president-joseph-harroz-jr-email-address-concern-international-student-visa-revoked/article\\_99cc79c3-b877-41ca-9661-891942ce02f2.html](https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-president-joseph-harroz-jr-email-address-concern-international-student-visa-revoked/article_99cc79c3-b877-41ca-9661-891942ce02f2.html).

<sup>14</sup> Michael Balsamo, "Student Visas Revoked: Hundreds Fear Deportation without F-1 College Visa," AP News, accessed April 18, 2025, <https://apnews.com/article/international-student-f1-visa-revoked-college-f12320b435b6bf9cf723f1e8eb8c67ae>.

- Whereas: University of Oklahoma has resources to support international students that can be found at <https://www.ou.edu/resources/executive-order-faq>, and
- Whereas: International students can contact the OU International Student Services at [iss@ou.edu](mailto:iss@ou.edu), OU Office of Immigration Services at [ois@ou.edu](mailto:ois@ou.edu), and [olc@ou.edu](mailto:olc@ou.edu) to discuss with a student advisor to discuss concerns, and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Student Legal Services do not and cannot offer legal assistance to students facing visa issues because their representation and legal assistance is limited in scope, and
- Whereas: Students may reach out to Catholic Charities or the Immigration Center at Western Oaks for low-cost legal assistance. <https://catholiccharitiesok.org/immigration-legal-services>; <https://thefellowshipnaz.com/immigration>, and
- Whereas: In our commitment to support the international student community, we encourage anyone to reach out to [GSS@ou.edu](mailto:GSS@ou.edu) for ways the Student Government Association Graduate Student Senate can be a better partner in supporting the international student community.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Immigration Executive Orders of 2025 Awareness Resolution.”
- Section 2:** Upon the authorization of this resolution, the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Graduate Student Senate officially reaffirms our commitment to global engagement in addition to international students’ well-being and educational experiences at the University of Oklahoma
- Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- Joseph Harroz, President of the University of Oklahoma
  - Dr. David Surrat, Vice President of Student Affairs & Dean of Students
  - International Student Services
  - Office of Legal Counsel
  - OU Daily
  - OU Nightly
  - OU Board of Regents
  - OU Student Life
  - International Advisory Committee
  - OU Cousins
  - All registered student organizations
- Author(s): Dana Mahmoud, External & Legislative Affairs Committee Secretary  
Libby Ryan, External & Legislative Affairs Committee Chair
- Co-Author(s): Catherine Hensley, External & Legislative Affairs Committee  
Jonathan Mitchell, External & Legislative Affairs Committee
- Co-Sponsors(s): Jordan Norris, GSS Chair

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION  
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25  
April 24, 2025

SENATE BILL NO. GS25-31

AS INTRODUCED

An Act to declare certain Departments as in ‘Bad Standing’  
and on ‘Probation’.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE:

**Section 1:** This act may be known and cited as the “Spring 2025 Departmental Status Act.”

**Section 2:** Purpose: To update Graduate Student Senate Department status for the full academic year 2024-2025.

**Section 3:** AMENDATORY: For the purpose of this Act, Departments now in ‘Bad Standing’ will be found under the ‘Bad Standing’ column; Departments now on ‘probation’ will be found under the ‘Probation’ column; and Departments now in ‘Good Standing’ will be found under the ‘Good Standing’ column.

**Section 5:** Departments with status changes:

Department Status Changes		
Good Standing	Probation	Bad Standing
Anthropology	Dance*	Accounting
Architecture	Data Science and Analytics*	Aerospace and Mech. Eng.*
Biology	English*	Business Administration*
Biomedical Engineering	Women & Gender Studies*	Civil Eng. & Environmental Science*
Chemical Biological & Material Eng.		Educational Lead. & Policy Studies*
Chemistry and Biochemistry		Engineering Physics
Communication		Entrepreneurship and Economic Development
Computer Science		General Engineering
Construction Science		Human Relations
Economics		Management Information Systems
Educational Psychology		Native American Studies*
Electrical and Computer Engineering		Physics & Astronomy and Engineering Physics*
Finance		Public Administration*
Geography & Environmental Sustainability		
Geology and GeoPhysics		
Health and Exercise Science		
History of Science, Technology & Medicine		

History		
Industrial & Systems Engineering		
Instructional Lead. & Acad. Curriculum		
Interior Design		
International and Area Studies		
Journalism and Mass Communication		
Landscape Architecture		
Law		
Library & Information Studies		
Mathematics		
Meteorology		
Modern Languages, Lit. & Linguistics		
Music		
Petroleum & Geological Engineering		
Petroleum & Geological Engineering		
Philosophy		
Political Science		
Psychology		
Regional & City Planning		
Social Work		
Sociology		
Visual Arts		

*Note.* \* indicates the department changed status this semester.

**Section 5:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Jordan Norris, GSS Chair  
Rin Ferraro, GSS Vice Chair  
Cooper Delafield, GSS Secretary

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS25

April 24, 2025

SENATE BILL NO. GS25-32

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure approving Conference/Research  
& Creative Exhibition Grant awards  
for the 2025 Spring semester;  
providing for short title; stating purpose; and  
appropriations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE:

**Section 1:** The act shall be known and may be cited as an act of procedure approving conference/research & creative exhibition grant awards for the 2025 Spring semester.

**Section 2:** PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the individuals mentioned within.

**Section 3:** APPROPRIATION. The Graduate Student Senate shall allot Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant awards for the 2025 Spring semester in the following manner:

TYPE	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	DEPARTMENT	AWARD
Conference	Jensen	Sam	Anthropology	\$750.00
Conference	Koubek	Josie	Psychology	\$750.00
Conference	Cowger	Katelen	English	\$688.00
Conference	Mofidi	Ethan	Anthropology	\$750.00
Conference	Morgan	Laura	Anthropology	\$750.00
Conference	Nazari	Masoumeh	Electrical and Computer Engineering	\$725.00
Conference	Rsouli Sarabi	Nazli	Electrical and Computer Engineering	\$750.00
Conference	Widdecke	Cheyenne	Anthropology	\$750.00
Conference	Baskin	Hannah	Psychology	\$750.00
Conference	Beaty	Ryan	Communication	\$750.00
Conference	Lewis	Jeffrey	Anthropology	\$750.00
Conference	Osei	Osei	Regional and City Planning	\$700.00
Conference	Cozzens	Taylor	History	\$750.00
Conference	McHugh	Madeline	Visual Arts	\$725.00
Conference	McIntire	Clarissa	English	\$422.28
Conference	Moore	Sarah	English	\$657.96
Conference	Tabassum	Tahsin	Regional and City Planning	\$750.00

Conference	Norris	Jordan	Psychology	\$750.00
Conference	Odunfa	Emmanuel	Communication	\$750.00
Conference	Sakshi	Fnu	Health and Exercise Science	\$746.00
Conference	Aguilar	Daniel	Music	\$675.00
Conference	Cervenka	Abigail	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	\$663.30
Conference	Faheem	Afrah Thasneem	Landscape Architecture	\$675.00
Conference	Lue	James	Psychology	\$225.00
Conference	Nourbakhsh	Milad	Electrical and Computer Engineering	\$675.00
Conference	Rosinko	Isabella	Anthropology	\$631.35
Conference	Wang	Xin	Library and Information Studies	\$675.00
Conference	Cox	Elizabeth	Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication	\$675.00
Conference	DeBoard	Laken	Political Science	\$675.00
Conference	Hill	Leah	Biological Sciences	\$225.00
Conference	Lu	Tianyang	Communication	\$675.00
Conference	Powell	Noah	Anthropology	\$621.00
Conference	Roberts	Cierra	Visual Arts	\$670.50
Conference	Shourian	Mahla	Economics	\$675.00
Conference	Mirmohammad Sadeghi	Ramtin	Gibbs College of Architecture	\$675.00
Conference	Moore	Kaylyn	Anthropology	\$675.00
Conference	Qiu	Yuewei	Communication	\$673.20
Conference	Testa	Camille	History of Science, Technology and Medicine	\$180.00
Conference	Bingham	Brittany	Anthropology	\$600.00
Conference	Falahati	Akram	Health and Exercise Science	\$600.00
Conference	Horton	Delaney	Anthropology	\$439.20
Conference	McDaniel	Hanna	Meteorology	\$600.00
Conference	Smith Williams	Iyan	Modern Language, Literature, and Linguistics	\$352.00
Conference	Talbert	Neil	Communication	\$600.00
			<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$28,244.79</b>

TYPE	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	DEPARTMENT	AWARD
Research	Sisler	Julie	Communication	\$750.00
Research	Taylor	Maegan	Anthropology	\$750.00
Research	Gaff	Katherine	Visual Arts	\$750.00
Research	Haghighi	Yousef	Gibbs College of Architecture	\$750.00
Research	Talbert	Neil	Communication	\$750.00
Research	Chandra	Subhash	Computer Science	\$675.00



Research	Gai	Yizhu	Communication	\$675.00
Research	Munoz Suarez	Eduardo	Communication	\$675.00
Research	Roberts	Cierra	Visual Arts	\$367.20
Research	Greer	Rebecca	Communication	\$600.00
Research	Restrepo-Garcia	Jorge	Communication	\$600.00
Research	Walker	Hana	Biological Science	\$600.00
Research	Gehling	Emily	Anthropology	\$600.00
Research	Gilmore	Emilyn	Biology	\$600.00
Research	Hale	Madeleine	Anthropology	\$600.00
Research	Nazari	Masoumeh	Electrical and Computer Engineering	\$600.00
			<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$10,342.20</b>

Total Conference Funds: **\$28,244.79**

Funding 44 out of 124 reviewed applicants (145 total).

Total Research Funds: **\$10,342.20**

Funding 16 out of 43 reviewed applicants (56 total).

**Total Funds Awarded: \$38,586.99**

**Section 4:** All monies will be distributed via payment through the university's accounting system. All awardees will be contacted by Shared Business Services Center in order to be set up to receive awards via check or direct deposit.

Authors: 2024-2025 GSS Ways and Means Committee

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION  
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS25  
April 24, 2025

SENATE BILL NO. GS25-33

AS INTRODUCED

A Senatorial Act Approving the Outstanding  
Graduate Student Awards for 2024-2025 academic year;  
providing short title;  
And providing for distribution.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE:

**Section 1:** This act shall be known and may be cited as “An Act of Procedure Approving Outstanding Graduate Student Awards for the 2024-2025 Academic Year.”

**Section 2:** The purpose of the act is inherent in the title.

**Section 3:** Let it, therefore, be resolved that:

**Anna Dunbar** of the Weitzenhoffer Family College of Fine Arts School of Music is hereby named the Overall Outstanding Graduate Student for the 2024-2025 Academic Year.

**Mike Doerge** of the Dodge Family College of Arts and Sciences Department of Psychology is hereby named the Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant for the 2024-2025 Academic Year.

**Neil Talbert** of the Dodge Family College of Arts and Sciences Department of Communication is hereby named the Outstanding Graduate Research Assistant for the 2024-2025 Academic Year.

**Section 4:** The University of Oklahoma Graduate Student Senate commends the outstanding accomplishments and commitment to excellence of all thirty-two nominees.

**Section 5:** The University of Oklahoma Graduate Student Senate hereby awards \$250.00 to both the Outstanding Teaching Assistant and Outstanding Research Assistant. Also, The University of Oklahoma Graduate Student Senate hereby awards \$500.00 to the Overall Outstanding Graduate Student. Each of these awards is given to the three winners in recognition of their performance in service of the University’s mission.

**Section 6:** This act shall become effective when passed, in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Graduate Student Senate Internal Affairs Committee

Co-Author(s): Jordan Norris, Chair, Graduate Student Senate

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_