

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES
APRIL 9, 2026, 7:00 PM**

Zoom Conference Call

<https://oklahoma.zoom.us/j/93772247533?pwd=sBRbHEL3MOD2aTipaH9URXpz3t1Fcr.1>

Call to Order: 7:01

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/sga/branches/graduate-student-senate/agendas-and-minutes>)

Motion to Approve the minutes from last meeting: Senator Jensen (3), seconded by Senator Bueltel (7)

Officer Reports:

- Chair: Big Event this weekend! We will be volunteering at the Musgrave baseball fields. Come ready to paint. Thanks to everyone who attended WAM grading.
- Vice-Chair: nothing new to report.
- Secretary: nothing new to report.

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

- Academic Affairs:
 - Applications for outstanding graduate student awards has closed. The committee is currently reviewing applications.
- Development & Philanthropy:
 - The Big Event is happening this weekend. See you all there!
 - Musgrave baseball fields and we will be painting.
 - We will also coordinate a ride share from the opening ceremony
- External Affairs:
 - Higher Ed day was a success!
- Internal Affairs:
 - Internal Affairs is planning an end of year event for graduate students. Please fill out the google form in the zoom chat
- International Student Affairs:
 - International Student Survey Update: Survey is live and accepting submissions
 - Potluck Event (with ISS)
 - The potluck will be a shared-food event where attendees bring dishes to share. The committee agreed that the event should take place after April 11 and before finals.
 - The potential venue options identified are Farzaneh Hall, Jim Thorpe Hall, and Memorial Union. Two tentative dates were proposed: Friday, April 17 and Friday, April 24
- Public Relations:
 - Nothing new to report
- Sustainability:

- Earth day event tabling
- Significant amounts of confetti on campus
- Ways and Means:
 - Grading day was a success! We will be seeing the bill that will award GSS grants this meeting. Recipients should receive notification of awards next week.

Student Concerns:

- No student concerns brought to the floor at this time.

Old Business:

- **GS26-15:** Spring 2026 Election Language Revision Act (Do Pass)
 - We have seen this bill already, but there are enough revisions from congress that we will be voting on the bill again.
 - Motion to the floor by Senator (55), seconded by Senator Fullerton (2)
 - Passed via unanimous consent. No objections.

New Business:

- **GS26-16:** Attendance at Appointment Revision Act of 2026 (Do Pass)
 - updates Title II Chapter 1 of the Code Annotated to require attendance of appointees across other SGA Branches.
 - Motion to the floor by Senator Jensen (3), seconded by Senator Cunningham (82)
 - Passed via unanimous consent. No objections.
- **GS26-17:** Primary Funding Act of 2026 for Registered Student Organizations (Do Pass)
- **GS26-18:** Primary Funding Act of 2026 for Governmental Organizations (Do Pass)
 - Motion to see Primary Funding bills as a block by Senator Jensen (3), seconded by Senator Hurst (59).
 - Passed via unanimous consent. No objections.
- **GS26-19: (updated to GS26-21)** Resolution Upholding the Rights of Immigrant and International Studies and Advocating for Student Safety (Do Pass)
 - Motion to the floor by Senator Wehle (68), seconded by Senator Bueltel (7).
 - This bill outlines resources for students affected by an increased presence of ICE and DHS in the Norman community.
 - Summer: would the author accept a friendly amendment to add the following people to the distribution list:
 - Hans Butzer, Dean of Christopher C. Gibbs College of Architecture
 - Michael Markham, Dean of Dodge Family College of Arts and Sciences
 - Robert Palmer, Dean of College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences
 - Laku Chidambaram, Dean of Price College of Business
 - John Antonio, Dean of Mewborne College of Earth and Energy
 - Stacy Reeder, Dean of Jennine Rainbolt College of Education
 - John Klier, Dean of Gallogly College of Engineering
 - Mary Holt, Weitzenhoffer Family College of Fine Arts
 - Paul Gilmore, Dean of Honors College
 - John Stalling, Interim Dean of David L. Boren College of International Studies
 - Andrea Miller, Dean of Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication
 - Randall Hews, Dean of Graduate College
 - Anna Carpenter, Dean of College of Law
 - Miloš Savić, Dean of College of Professional and Continuing Studies
 - All members of Faculty Senate

- All members of Staff Senate
- Amendment accepted by the author.
- Passed via unanimous consent. No objections

Special Orders:

- **GS26-20: (updated to GS26-22)** Spring 2026 Conference/ Research & Creative Exhibition Grant Award Act
 - Motion to the floor by Senator Cunningham (82), seconded by Senator Fellman (55)
 - This bill distributes grant funding for research and creative activity grants.
 - Grant funding this year was highly competitive, and we were only able to fund grants receiving high scores via the grading rubric.
 - Passed via unanimous consent, no objections

Announcements:

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Senator Jensen (3), seconded by Senator Hurst (59)

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXV

March 31, 2026

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS26

March 26, 2026

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-115-18

SENATE BILL GS26-15

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation to amend election-related language in the Code Annotated; 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 2026 Election Language Revision Act.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update the Code Annotated to account for changes made to the election period and better reflect the reality of SGA Elections.
- Section 3:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title VI Chapter 1, Title VI Chapter 3, and Title II Chapter 2 Section 4 are 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).

Chapter VI-1 General Provisions

1. **Definitions**

- a. **Academic Week** – Any week (Monday - Friday) during which the University holds classes for at least one (1) day.
- b. **Campaign Spending** – The value of any products, services, or expenses incurred by the campaign. “Value” should not include any discounts, which are not available to the general public, but should include the value of any services or products donated. This shall not include the value of any non-professional services performed by students.

- c. **Campaign Time Frame** – The time between the first class day of the ninth (9th) Academic Week and the validation of the election.
- d. **Campaigning** – Working in an organized and active way to promote a candidate as a representative of or at the directive of that candidate. Campaigning shall not be constructed to include any public campaign materials disseminated during the signature collection period, statements made about one's platform, or any solicitation for votes in the election shall always be considered campaigning.
- e. **Class Day** – The Period of time from 8 AM to 5 PM on a day in which classes are held.
- f. **Designated Agent** – A person chosen and registered by a candidate with the ability to represent the candidate in any official capacity.
- g. **Election Fraud** – Any act or omission completed or attempted with the intent to deprive a candidate or voter of their rights.
- h. **Information on Candidates Booklet** – A booklet published by the Election Commissioner on the first day of the Ninth (9th) Academic Week containing a statement from the Election Commissioner, a list of all candidates, and the pieces of literature from the candidates who submitted them.
- i. ~~**Ninth (9th) Academic Week** – The Academic Week in which Candidates may begin campaigning. Campaigning shall only begin at the start of the first Class Day of the given Academic Week. The Academic Week in which the Information on Candidates Booklet shall be published in the given week of the Fall and Spring Semesters.~~
- j. ~~**Tenth (10th) Academic Week** – The Academic Week in which Fall and Spring Elections shall occur. Voting days shall be the Thursday and Friday of the given week of the semester.~~
- k. **Member of a Campaign** – Any SGA Member who publicly or privately works with a candidate.
- l. **Publicly Posted** – Conspicuously posted in the SGA Office & on the SGA website under the Election's "Election Information" tab.
- m. ~~**Eighth (8th) Academic Week** – The Academic Week in which Mandatory Candidates Meetings shall be held.~~
- n. **SGA Presidential Race** – The SGA Presidential race includes candidates for SGA President and SGA Vice President running together as one (1) ticket.
- o. **Signatures** – Signatures required for Presidential and CAC Chair petitions may be collected physically or online. Physical signatures must include the following information: OU ID number, name, and signature. Digital signatures must be authenticated through an online platform that can be integrated with

OU's single sign-on (SSO). The process for digital signatures must be jointly approved by the Election Commissioner and the Office of Student Affairs.

p. ~~**Seventh (7th) Academic Week** – The Academic Week in which filing for Candidates wishing to run in the upcoming election closes. Filing shall close at the end of the last Class Day of the given week.~~

q. **Unsolicited** – Any unrequested electronic message sent through an OU-maintained service (eg, OU email, Canvas, etc.), for the purpose of explicitly requesting a vote or support.

2. **Timeline**

a. ~~**Seventh (7th) Academic Week** – The Academic Week in which filing for Candidates wishing to run in the upcoming election closes. Filing shall close at the end of the last Class Day of the given week.~~

b. **Eighth (8th) Academic Week** – The Academic Week in which Mandatory Candidates Meetings shall be held.

c. **Ninth (9th) Academic Week** – The Academic Week in which Candidates may begin campaigning. Campaigning shall only begin at the start of the first Class Day of the given Academic Week. The Academic Week in which the Information on Candidates Booklet shall be published in the given week of the Fall and Spring Semesters.

d. **Tenth (10th) Academic Week** – The Academic Week in which Fall and Spring Elections shall occur. Voting days shall be the Thursday and Friday of the given week of the semester.

3. **Applicability of Election Rules.** The policies, regulations, and stipulations in this Title shall be applicable only to candidates for positions that are named in sections four (4) and five (5) hereinafter. All other campus organizations and bodies wishing to conduct an election may individually establish procedures for that election.

4. **Purpose of Election Rules.** The provisions governing elections are intended to provide for the fairness, equitability, and efficiency of all SGA elections with respect to both candidates and voters. In the absence of established guidelines, rulings concerning elections should be made with this principle in mind.

5. **Spring General Election.** The following shall be elected in the Spring General Election:

- a. the Campus Activities Council (CAC) Chair,
- b. Undergraduate Student Congress Representative Seats, and
- c. the Student Bar Association (SBA) President.

6. **Fall General Election.** The following shall be elected in the Fall General Election:

- a. The SGA President and Vice-President;

b. Undergraduate Student Congress Representative Seats.

7. **Vacancies.** The SGA President shall be notified in writing of any vacancy that occurs in the positions listed in sections 4 and 5, above. If the SGA President resigns, they shall notify the Chairs of both Houses of the Legislative Branch. The number of seats available for election shall not change after the filing period begins.

a. **Election to Fill Vacancy.** Should a Congressional Seat become vacant after filing has opened, so long as a vacancy in that district was already made public and was included on the filing form during filing for candidates to apply, that new vacant seat may be filled at the time of election using the point tabulation system. If the district was never included initially on the filing form, then that seat shall not be filled during the active general election.

b. **Appointment to Fill Vacancy.** For each position listed in sections 4 and 5 above, other than SGA President, Vice President, and CAC Chair, the organization of which the appointment is needed to be made, that organization shall determine their own appointment qualifications. Those listed in the aforementioned sentence, shall be up for election in the next possible general election.

8. **Uncontested Elections.** All positions for which one has filed for election, they must be placed on the ballot in the respective district, even if the position is uncontested. In an uncontested election, the candidate shall win if they receive more votes than the "prefer not to vote" option.

Chapter VI-3 Candidates

a. **Filing.** Filing for general and special elections shall run at least four (4) Class Days. For General Elections, filing shall close at the end of the last Class Day of the ~~sixth (6th)~~ seventh (7th) Academic Week. For special elections, the end filing shall be determined by a majority vote of the Election Commission Staff no later than five (5) weeks prior to the election. No prospective candidate may file for more than one (1) elected position. Filing forms for SGA elective positions shall include the following acknowledgment statement & each candidate shall sign the statement before submitting their form:

“I do hereby affirm that I am required to abide by the SGA Constitution, SGA Code Annotated, and the SGA Campaign Activity Policy. I understand that I can be disqualified from the election if I disregard the election guidelines and rules. Furthermore, University, Local, State, and Federal rules and laws take precedent, and I may be subject to all of the aforementioned jurisdictions.”

2. **Candidate Requirements.** No person may be listed on a ballot as a candidate for office unless they fulfill the requirements for candidacy listed in this section. Candidates for any SGA elected office must be in good academic standing with their respective college or department. Candidates shall complete an academic requirement form. The Election Commissioner and the SGA Staff Assistant shall verify the prospective

candidate's academic eligibility before being placed on the ballot. Each candidate or their designated agent shall attend a mandatory candidates meeting.

- a. **Candidates in SGA Presidential & CAC Races.** Candidates in the SGA Presidential or CAC Chair election shall present to the Election Commission a petition with five hundred (500) signatures by the time of the filing deadline. Signature gathering may begin at the beginning of the first academic week of the academic semester in which the candidate's campaigning period will begin. If the Election Commission determines that a petition does not have enough signatures as a result of a mistake in counting, candidates shall be allotted at least on full Class Day with signatures due at the end of the Class Day to collect the necessary remaining signatures to remain on the ballot. The Election Commission shall not make any adverse ruling on any petition.
3. **Mandatory Candidates Meeting.** Each candidate or their designated agent shall attend a mandatory candidates' meeting. At least two (2) mandatory candidates' meetings shall be held during the ~~seventh (7th)~~ eighth (8th) Academic Week.
 - a. All rules shall be explained, the campaign material registration form distributed, the deadline for the campaign spending disclosure shall be announced, and the Superior Court's rules for submitting an appeal concerning electoral matters. The Congress Chair shall provide a list of the responsibilities of an SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Representative to be distributed by the Election Commissioner during the initial candidate meeting.
 - b. Candidates who do not attend the mandatory meeting shall still remain on the ballot and may be subject to an infraction in Chapter Five (5) of this Title.
 4. **Candidate Withdrawal.** Any candidate may withdraw their name from the ballot any time prior to 5:00 p.m. the Friday before the election by submitting written notification to the Election Commissioner. The Election Commissioner shall verify said notification.
 5. **Designated Agents.** Candidates running in the SGA Presidential and CAC Chair race must specify a designated agent. Candidates not running in those races may specify a designated agent on the filing form. Designated Agents shall have the ability to represent the candidate in any official capacity. No Designated Agent may be a candidate for any race during the same election, nor may they be an elected or appointed member of the Legislative, Executive, or Judicial Branch of SGA.
 6. **Infractions.** All candidates shall be subject to any points as allocated by the Elections Commission, outlined in Chapter 5 of this title.

Chapter VI-4 Campaigns

2. **Campaign Time Frame.** Prior to the official campaign period, prospective candidates may begin recruiting campaign staff and/or establishing but not publicizing a campaign internet site. Candidates shall begin campaigning on the first Class Day of the ~~eighth (8th)~~ ninth (9th)

Academic Week of the given semester. Campaigning shall end after the validation of the election.

Chapter II-2 Undergraduate Student Congress

4. **Representative Terms**⁶. All representative seats must be up for election at least once a year. ~~At least twenty-four (24) Half (50%) of all currently filled congressional seats must be up at each election.~~ The ~~twenty-four (24)~~ seats up at each election shall consist of an equal division of seats across the respective academic districts. Each district with multiple representative seats shall have alternating terms for each representative within the respective district that shall end with the Fall or Spring election.⁶

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

Author(s): Andy Wang, Election Commissioner
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Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Morgan seconded Representative Callahan

Action taken by Congress: Passed unanimously 29-0-0

Verified by Chair of Congress:

Date:

Submitted on a Motion by: Senator (55), seconded by Senator (2)

Action taken by Senate: Passed via unanimous consent.

Verified by Chair of Senate:

Date:

Approved by SGA President:

Date:

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXV

March 24, 2026

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS26

April 9, 2026

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-115-14
SENATE BILL NO. GS26-16

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation to amend the SGA Code Annotated,
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 “Attendance at Appointment Revision Act of 2026.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update Title II Chapter 1 of the Code Annotated to require attendance of appointees across other SGA Branches.
- Section 3:** AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title VI is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strickthrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Title II- The Legislature

6. Advising and Consenting Bills

- a. **Status as Legislation.** Advising and consenting bills are Acts of Legislation. The advice and consent process follows the same procedure as any other legislation and the bills are binding.
- b. **Amendment of.** Advising and consenting bills cannot be amended in the same manner as other types of legislation. When advising and consenting, the legislative branch may only advise the author as to the changes to be made (i.e., fail the bill with recommendations as to necessary changes) or provide consent for the legislation; the legislative branch cannot make its own amendments to advising and consenting legislation for to do so would exceed its advice and consent powers. The author may withdraw or modify an advice and consent bill up until that bill is considered in any of the legislative branch’ committees. However, once an advice and consent bill has been presented, the author must seek permission from the House in which the bill was first presented to withdraw or amend it.
- c. **Presence at Legislative Meetings.** The subject(s) of the advice and consent legislation pertaining to The Executive Cabinet, Crimson Leadership Association, Superior Court, General Counsel, Election

Commissioner and Election Commission, and Parking Appeals Board must be present at the Undergraduate Student Congress and Graduate Student Senate meetings in which the legislation is being considered.

- i. Excused Absences: Exceptions to this rule may be made on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Chair of the house in which the legislation is being considered.

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

Author(s): Jumeirah Newaz, Associate
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Alexandra Toyos Perez, Arts and Sciences Representative

Co-Author(s):

Co-Sponsor(s): Josephine Nicholson, SGA Vice President

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Morgan, seconded by Representative Toyos

Action taken by Congress: 28-1-0

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 CXV

April 7, 2026

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS26

April 9, 2026

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-115-02

SENATE BILL NO. GS26-17

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Primary Funding for the 2026-2027 process; stating appropriation guidelines; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

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

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Primary Funding Act of 2026 for Registered Student Organizations”

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

Section 3: APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to

Organization	Programs, Events & Activities	Capital Investments	Office and General Expenses	Total
Academic Team	\$700.00			\$700.00

Advanced Radar Research Center Student Affairs Committee	\$300.00			\$300.00
African Women's League	\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00
Afrobeatz Dance Club at the University of Oklahoma	\$700.00			\$700.00
Agricultural Law Association	\$800.00			\$800.00
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Kappa Psi Chapter.	\$700.00			\$700.00
Alpha Phi Omega, Delta Beta Chapter	\$700.00			\$700.00
Alpha Sigma Kappa - Women and Gender Minorities in Technical Studies	\$900.00			\$900.00
American Cancer Society Relay for Life	\$700.00			\$700.00
American Constitution Society	\$700.00			\$700.00
American Indian Law Review	\$500.00			\$500.00
American Indian Student Association	\$20,000.00			\$20,000.00
American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics	\$300.00			\$300.00
American Institute of Chemical Engineers	\$500.00			\$500.00
American Marketing Association	\$600.00			\$600.00
American Mock World Health Organization	\$1,600.00			\$1,600.00
American Sign Language Club	\$60.00			\$60.00
American Society of Civil Engineers	\$400.00			\$400.00
American Society of Mechanical Engineers	\$250.00			\$250.00
Anthropology Graduate Student Association	\$900.00			\$900.00
Arab Student Association	\$3,500.00			\$3,500.00
Arabic Club	\$700.00			\$700.00

Architectural Engineering Institute	\$800.00			\$800.00
Artificial Intelligence Organization at the University of Oklahoma	\$800.00			\$800.00
Asian American Student Association	\$14,000.00			\$14,000.00
Asian Americans in Business Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Asian Americans in Healthcare Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Asian Pacific American Law Student Association	\$1,575.00			\$1,575.00
Association for Women in Mathematics	\$500.00			\$500.00
Association of Geography Graduate Students	\$800.00			\$800.00
Association of Southeast Asian Nations	\$2,500.00			\$2,500.00
Association of Southern African Students	\$850.00			\$850.00
Baccano Italian Club	\$450.00			\$450.00
Bahai Association	\$800.00			\$800.00
Beekeepers' Association	\$563.00			\$563.00
Beta Alpha Psi	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Biology Graduate Student Organization	\$1,250.00			\$1,250.00
Biomedical Engineering Student Affairs		\$700.00		\$700.00
Black Men In Stem	\$700.00			\$700.00
Black Men's Mental Health Club	\$200.00			\$200.00
Black Muslim Initiative	\$700.00			\$700.00
Black Student Association	\$27,000.00			\$27,000.00
Black Undergraduate Law Student Association	\$400.00			\$400.00

Boomer Rocket Team			\$250.00	\$250.00
Botanical Society	\$700.00			\$700.00
Business Law Society	\$700.00			\$700.00
Business Ph.D. Student Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Caribbean Students Association	\$107.24			\$107.24
Catholic Student Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Society (ChEGS)	\$700.00			\$700.00
Chi Epsilon	\$800.00			\$800.00
Chinese Language and Culture Club	\$370.00			\$370.00
Christian Legal Society	\$1,300.00			\$1,300.00
Christians on Campus	\$840.00			\$840.00
Circle K International	\$600.00			\$600.00
College Democrats	\$540.00			\$540.00
College Republicans at the University of Oklahoma	\$900.00			\$900.00
Collegiate National Association for Music Education	\$0.00	\$700.00		\$700.00
Colombian Student Association	\$7,000.00			\$7,000.00
Communication Graduate Student Association	\$1,200.00			\$1,200.00
Computer Science Student Board	\$600.00			\$600.00
Cooking Club	\$500.00			\$500.00
Criminal Law Association	\$1,400.00			\$1,400.00
Crimson Chords	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Cru	\$640.00			\$640.00
Cybersecurity Club	\$900.00			\$900.00
Data Science and Analytics Club	\$300.00			\$300.00

Dialogues of Contemporary Sociology (DOCS) Workshop	\$960.00			\$960.00
Disabled Law Student Association	\$770.00			\$770.00
East African Alliance	\$600.00			\$600.00
Economics Club	\$800.00			\$800.00
Elite Dance Team	\$700.00			\$700.00
Engineers' Club	\$3,500.00			\$3,500.00
Engineers Serving Others	\$400.00			\$400.00
English Club + Sigma Tau Delta, International English Honor Society - Alpha Theta Psi Chapter	\$150.00			\$150.00
Environmental Science Student Association	\$770.00			\$770.00
Eta Kappa Nu, Beta Xi Chapter	\$720.00			\$720.00
Federal Bar Association	\$1000.00			\$1000.00
Finance Student Association	\$450.00			\$450.00
Fired Up Sculpture Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
First Generation Law Student Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
First Year Connections	\$750.00			\$750.00
Flyer Removal Club	\$120.00		\$30.00	\$150.00
French Club	\$620.00			\$620.00
Friday Accounting Meeting	\$720.00			\$720.00
Game Developer's Association	\$300.00			\$300.00
Gaylord College Graduate Students Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Geographic Information Science Student Organization	\$450.00			\$450.00
Girls Who Code	\$400.00			\$400.00
Global Africa Child Hope Association	\$700.00			\$700.00

Graduate Music Student Association	\$250.00			\$250.00
Graduate Philosophical Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Graduate Physics Student Interdependence	\$250.00			\$250.00
Graduate Student Community @ Gallogly College of Engineering	\$4,000.00			\$4,000.00
Grant Writers Association of Oklahoma	\$550.00			\$550.00
Graphic Design Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Green Week	\$900.00			\$900.00
Hacklahoma	\$1,200.00			\$1,200.00
Health and Exercise Science Graduate Student Association	\$400.00			\$400.00
Health Law Student Association	\$450.00			\$450.00
Hindu Student Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Hispanic American Student Association	\$12,000.00			\$12,000.00
Honors Cultural Council	\$800.00			\$800.00
Honors Student Association	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Horn Studio at the University of Oklahoma	\$700.00			\$700.00
HOSA- Future Health Professionals	\$700.00			\$700.00
Housing Center Student Association	\$14,500.00			\$14,500.00
India Student Association	\$9,000.00			\$9,000.00
Indigenous Art Forms	\$700.00			\$700.00
Informed Citizen Discussion Groups	\$1,037.59			\$1,037.59
Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences Student Chapter	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers	\$700.00			\$700.00

Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers			\$200.00	\$200.00
Institute of Transportation Engineers at the University of Oklahoma	\$700.00			\$700.00
Integrity Council	\$1,600.00			\$1,600.00
Intellectual Property Society	\$880.00			\$880.00
International Advisory Committee	\$32,000.00			\$32,000.00
International Friendships Inc.	\$700.00			\$700.00
International Security Student Association	\$1,492.00			\$1,492.00
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship: Black Campus Ministries	\$350.00			\$350.00
Investment Club at The University of Oklahoma	\$1,800.00			\$1,800.00
Iranian Student Association	\$15,000.00			\$15,000.00
Jurassic Journeymen	\$400.00			\$400.00
Kappa Delta Chi Sorority, Inc.	\$700.00			\$700.00
Kappa Delta Pi	\$1,100.00			\$1,100.00
Kidney Disease Screening and Awareness Program	\$43.08	\$1,156.92		\$1,200.00
Kiowa Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
Korean Student Association	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Laminar	\$700.00			\$700.00
Latin American Law Student Association	\$1,100.00			\$1,100.00
Latin Dance Club	\$1,600.00			\$1,600.00
Latinos Without Borders	\$3,700.00			\$3,700.00
Law Golf Club at the University of Oklahoma	\$200.00			\$200.00
Law Students for a Free Palestine	\$700.00			\$700.00

Law Students of Texas	\$400.00			\$400.00
Law Technology and Legal Innovation Society	\$700.00			\$700.00
Linguistics Club	\$150.00			\$150.00
Little Hearts Alliance	\$440.00			\$440.00
Management and International Business Association	\$200.00			\$200.00
Mathematics Graduate Students Association	\$450.00			\$450.00
MEDLIFE	\$360.00			\$360.00
Minority Association of Pre-Health Students	\$700.00			\$700.00
Miracle Mindset College Access Program	\$2,175.00		\$175.00	\$2,350.00
Model United Nations	\$1,750.00			\$1,750.00
Mosaic Health Sciences Conference	\$800.00			\$800.00
MTNA Collegiate Chapter	\$300.00			\$300.00
Multicultural Greek Council	\$8,000.00			\$8,000.00
Muslim Student Association	\$3,500.00			\$3,500.00
National Gay Pilots Association	\$500.00			\$500.00
National Organization for the Professional Advancement of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers	\$700.00			\$700.00
National Pan-Hellenic Council	\$17,000.00			\$17,000.00
National Society of Black Engineers	\$700.00			\$700.00
Native American Law Student Association	\$500.00			\$500.00
Nepalese Student Association	\$300.00			\$300.00
Norman Students for Life	\$700.00			\$700.00
OBI OUtreach	\$600.00			\$600.00

Oil and Gas, Natural Resources, and Energy Journal	\$600.00			\$600.00
Oil and Gas, Natural Resources, and Energy Law Society	\$600.00			\$600.00
Oklahoma Aspiring Educators Association	\$900.00			\$900.00
Oklahoma College of Law Board of Advocates	\$600.00			\$600.00
Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature	\$1,248.37	\$170.91	\$8,080.72	\$9,500.00
Oklahoma International Law Society	\$1,215.00			\$1,215.00
Oklahoma Law Review	\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00
Oklahoma Weather Lab	\$800.00			\$800.00
Omega Delta Phi Fraternity, Inc.	\$1,750.00			\$1,750.00
Organization for the Advancement of Women in Law	\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00
OU Badminton Club		\$1,100.00		\$1,100.00
OU Climbing Club	\$315.00			\$315.00
OU Design/Build/Fly Club	\$400.00		\$1,050.00	\$1,450.00
OU Equestrian Club		\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
OU Fencing Club	\$720.00	\$1,030.00	\$450.00	\$2,200.00
OU Figure Skating Club	\$1,800.00			\$1,800.00
OU Fishing Club	\$400.00	\$320.00		\$720.00
OU Food Pantry Student Association	\$4,000.00			\$4,000.00
OU Gaming Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
OU Golf Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
OU History Club	\$91.88			\$91.88
OU Men's Rugby Club			\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
OU Men's Soccer Club		\$1,080.00	\$600.00	\$1,680.00
OU Men's Volleyball Club	\$300.00			\$300.00

OU Pickleball Club	\$280.00		\$420.00	\$700.00
OU Sailing Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
OU Skate Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
OU Tennis Club	\$800.00			\$800.00
OU Women's Soccer Club			\$720.00	\$720.00
Our Mental Health	\$150.00			\$150.00
Outdoor Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
Pakistani Student Association	\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00
Parents at Law School	\$200.00			\$200.00
Peruvian Student Association	\$1,000.00			\$1,000.00
Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International	\$406.40			\$406.40
Phi Delta Alpha	\$200.00			\$200.00
Phi Delta Phi	\$250.00			\$250.00
Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity, Inc.	\$700.00			\$700.00
Pre-Law@Price	\$700.00			\$700.00
Pre-Medical Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
Pre-Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
Pre-Veterinary Club	\$360.00			\$360.00
Print Club	\$200.00			\$200.00
Psychology Graduate Student Association	\$1,500.00			\$1,500.00
Public Interest Law Student Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
Queer Student Association	\$6,000.00			\$6,000.00
Rooks & Books	\$600.00			\$600.00
Russian Speaking Student Association	\$500.00			\$500.00
School of Meteorology Outreach	\$200.00			\$200.00

School of Meteorology Student Affairs Committee	\$1,050.00			\$1,050.00
Scientific Undergraduate Research Association	\$510.00			\$510.00
Second Wind Ministries	\$300.00			\$300.00
Sigma Gamma Rho	\$350.00			\$350.00
Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity, Alpha Iota Chapter			\$200.00	\$200.00
Sigma Gamma Tau	\$300.00			\$300.00
Sigma Lambda Alpha Sorority, Inc.	\$200.00			\$200.00
Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc.	\$200.00			\$200.00
Sitaraas	\$700.00			\$700.00
Society of Asian Scientists & Engineers	\$600.00			\$600.00
Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers	\$500.00			\$500.00
Society of International Pre-Med Student	\$800.00			\$800.00
Society of Petrophysicists and Well Log Analysts	\$700.00			\$700.00
Society of Physics Students	\$960.00			\$960.00
Society of Plastics Engineers	\$700.00			\$700.00
Society of Women Engineers	\$100.00			\$100.00
Sociology/Criminology Club	\$200.00			\$200.00
Sooner Air Traffic Control Association	\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00
Sooner Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives	\$400.00			\$400.00
Sooner Competitive Robotics	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00
Sooner Off-Road		\$6,580.00	\$1,850.00	\$8,430.00

Sooner Racing Team	\$500.00		\$2,900.00	\$3,400.00
Sooner Rover Team			\$500.00	\$500.00
Sooners Without Borders	\$700.00			\$700.00
Spaid Oklahoma Chapter	\$533.00		\$167.00	\$700.00
Spanish Language Club	\$700.00			\$700.00
Speech Team	\$700.00			\$700.00
Sports and Entertainment Law Society	\$480.00			\$480.00
Steel Bridge Competition			\$700.00	\$700.00
STEM in the Sun	\$1,110.00			\$1,110.00
Student Association of Bangladesh	\$1,800.00			\$1,800.00
Student Association of Graduates in English	\$490.00			\$490.00
Student Chapter of the American Meteorological Society & National Weather Association	\$200.00	\$500.00		\$700.00
Student Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery	\$700.00			\$700.00
Student Planning Association			\$300.00	\$300.00
Student Socialist League	\$250.00			\$250.00
Student Society of Human Relations	\$700.00			\$700.00
Student Veterans Association	\$650.00			\$650.00
Students for Reproductive Justice	\$350.00			\$350.00
Students for the Exploration and Development of Space	\$700.00			\$700.00
Super League	\$950.00	\$70.00		\$1,020.00
Supply Chain Club	\$400.00			\$400.00
Sustainable Energy Society	\$750.00			\$750.00
Tau Beta Pi	\$400.00			\$400.00
Tau Beta Sigma	\$600.00		\$100.00	\$700.00

Tau Kappa Omega Fraternity	\$500.00			\$500.00
The Big Event	\$6,234.00	\$3,000.00		\$9,234.00
The Geography and Environmental Sustainability Club	\$439.46			\$439.46
The Oklahoma Group	\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00
The Trumpet Studio			\$800.00	\$800.00
Undergraduate Anthropological Society	\$700.00			\$700.00
Undergraduate Mock Trial Team	\$2,787.66			\$2,787.66
University Buddhist Association	\$700.00			\$700.00
University of Oklahoma Percussion Society	\$300.00			\$300.00
Venezuelan Association	\$2,500.00			\$2,500.00
Victim Advocacy Program	\$500.00			\$500.00
Vietnamese Student Association	\$1,200.00			\$1,200.00
Wealth Management Club			\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Well Read Book Club	\$360.00			\$360.00
Women Impacting Supply Chain Excellence	\$700.00			\$700.00
Women in Aviation	\$700.00			\$700.00
Women in Finance	\$700.00			\$700.00
Women in Physics	\$400.00			\$400.00
Women's Health Advocacy	\$3,159.70		\$500.00	\$3,659.70
Women's Rights in Healthcare Organization	\$700.00			\$700.00
Young Americans for Freedom at the University of Oklahoma	\$500.00			\$500.00
TOTAL:				\$430,003.93

Section 4: All guidelines and provisions in Title 10 of the Code Annotated shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 8, 2027, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

Section 7: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Mecca Fisher, Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee

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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXV

April 7, 2026

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS26

April 9, 2026

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-115-03
SENATE BILL NO. GS26-18

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Primary Funding for the 2026-2027 process; stating appropriation guidelines; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

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

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Primary Funding Act of 2026 for Governmental Organizations”

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

Section 3: APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to

Organization	Programs, Events & Activities	Capital Investments	Office and General Expenses	Total
Auxiliary Funding Process			\$71,917.10	\$71,917.10
Campus Activities Council	\$172,000.00			\$172,000.00
Crimson Leadership Association	\$1,400.00			\$1,400.00
Graduate Student Senate	\$2,000.00			\$2,000.00
Graduate Student Senate Grants	\$110,000.00			\$110,000.00
SafeRide	\$23,892.00			\$23,892.00
Salaries and Stipends			\$157,000.00	\$157,000.00
SGA Executive Branch	\$1,300.00		\$800.00	\$2,100.00
SGA Operations	\$7,840.00	\$13,000.00	\$35,917.40	\$56,757.40

SGA Undergraduate Student Congress	\$3,566.00	\$1,189.00		\$4,755.00
Student Bar Association	\$13,000.00			\$13,000.00
TOTAL:				\$614,821.50

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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION 26

April 9, 2026

SENATE RESOLUTION GS26-19

AS INTRODUCED

A Senatorial Resolution addressing student concerns regarding campus safety and the campus environment; affirming the rights of international and immigrant students; providing resources for students; and providing for distribution.

Preamble: This resolution includes a set of resources for individuals concerned about immigration enforcement on campus and in the broader community. We encourage everyone to review those resources and to know their constitutionally protected rights. We also encourage everyone to know what resources are available in a crisis.

Whereas: The mission of the University of Oklahoma (OU) Student Government Association (SGA) 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.

Whereas: Student safety and wellbeing remain an utmost priority for the Student Government Association.

Whereas: Recent actions by the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS), US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and US Border Patrol, which have made local and national headlines^{1, 2, 3, 4}, have negatively impacted student wellbeing at the University of Oklahoma and have created concerns for safety on campus.

¹News Agencies. 2026. "Five-Year-Old Boy and Father Detained by ICE Return Home to Minnesota." *Al Jazeera*, February 1, 2026, <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2026/2/1/five-year-old-boy-and-father-detained-by-ice-return-home-to-minnesota>.

²Chapman, Isabelle, Yahya Abou-Ghazala, Audrey Ash, Thomas Bordeaux, and Gianna Toboni. 2026. "How Two Federal Agents Escalated an Encounter with Alex Pretti into a Deadly Shooting." *CNN Investigates*, January 29, 2026, <https://www.cnn.com/2026/01/29/us/immigration-agents-shooting-alex-pretti-invs>.

³Cochran, Lexi Lonas. 2026. "100-Plus Oklahoma Students Suspended After Walkout." *The Hill*, February 19, 2020, <https://thehill.com/homenews/education/5745069-oklahoma-anti-ice-protests-student-walkouts/>.

⁴Humphrey, Spencer. 2026. "ICE Plans Large Detention Facility in Oklahoma City, Prompting Backlash." *KFOR*, January 20, 2026, <https://kfor.com/news/local/ice-plans-large-detention-facility-in-oklahoma-city-prompting-backlash/>.

- Whereas: Since January 2026, the number of ICE officers and agents across the United States has more than doubled from 10,000 to 22,000.⁵
- Whereas: Agreements such as ICE 287(g) between the Oklahoma Highway Patrol and other local law enforcement agencies, authorize local law enforcement officials to detain and transfer individuals suspected of being undocumented immigrants.⁶
- Whereas: The US Supreme Court has, in effect, allowed ICE agents and other authorized individuals to racially profile in the process of detaining and transferring individuals suspected of being undocumented immigrants.⁷
- Whereas: Agreements like ICE 287(g) have increased to the number of immigration related arrests in Oklahoma. For example, between May and October 2025, there were 2,323 people arrested on immigration charges in Oklahoma.⁸
- Whereas: On November 22, 2025, OU faculty member Valid Abedini was detained by ICE at the Will Rogers International Airport on his way to a conference, even though he has a valid H-1B Visa.⁹
- Whereas: Immigrant and international students help to facilitate a lively campus culture and contribute a significant amount of money to the university in the form of tuition and fees. International undergraduate students contribute approximately \$17 million in tuition and fees annually. Post-graduate international students contribute an average of \$24,000 each annually.^{10, 11}

⁵ US Immigration and Customs Enforcement. 2026. "ICE Announces Historic 120% Manpower Increase Thanks to Recruitment Campaign that Brought in 12,000 Officers and Agents." Electronic document, <https://www.ice.gov/news/releases/ice-announces-historic-120-manpower-increase-thanks-recruitment-campaign-brought#:~:text=In%20fact%2C%20it%20has%20more,at%20join.ice.gov>, accessed February 23, 2026.

⁶ Dowers, Graham. 2025. "Oklahoma Expands Operation Guardian, Giving All State Troopers ICE Authority." *Oklahoma News 9*, November 4, 2025, <https://www.news9.com/oklahoma-city-news/oklahoma-operation-guardian-troopers-ice-authority>.

⁷ Ryan, Erika, Scott Detrow, Jasmine Garsd, and Avery Keatley. 2025. "The Supreme Court Clears the Way for ICE Agents to Treat Race as Grounds for Immigration Stops." *All Things Considered*, September 13, 2025, <https://www.npr.org/2025/09/13/nx-s1-5507125/the-supreme-court-clears-the-way-for-ice-agents-to-treat-race-as-grounds-for-immigration-stops>.

⁸ Pfeifer, Sierra. 2025. "ICE Arrests in Oklahoma Continue to Rise with the Help of Local Law Enforcement." *KOSU*, December 17, 2025, <https://www.kosu.org/local-news/2025-12-17/ice-arrests-in-oklahoma-continue-to-rise-with-the-help-of-local-law-enforcement>.

⁹ Fathepure, Anusha. 2025. "OU College of International Studies Professor Released by ICE." *OU Daily*, November 25, 2025, https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-professor-released-ice-immigration-customers-enforcement/article_448a8207-bb86-42e3-9714-3741580e82f3.html.

¹⁰ University of Oklahoma Office of Global Engagement. 2026. "International Student Statistics." Electronic document, <https://www.ou.edu/cis/iss/students/about/international-student-statistics>, accessed February 23, 2026.

¹¹ University of Oklahoma Office of Global Engagement. 2026. "Financial Documentation." Electronic document, <https://www.ou.edu/cis/iss/students/maintaining-your-status/financial-documentation>, accessed February 23, 2026.

- Whereas: The proposed Student Visa Integrity Act (S.2555)¹² may impact the ability of international students—particularly those hoping to obtain both an undergraduate and graduate degrees—to complete their degrees.¹³
- Whereas: A memorandum has been released directing US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to place a hold on USCIS Benefit Applications filed by individuals from nations listed as “high-risk countries” in the Presidential Proclamation (PP) 10998.^{14, 15, 16}
- Whereas: There is bipartisan agreement that the immigration actions taking by DHS, ICE and US Border Patrol are harmful and unwanted in the United States. Governor Kevin Stitt has stated that “Trump is getting ‘bad advice’ on immigration crackdown,” and “Americans don’t like what they’re seeing.”¹⁷
- Whereas: The OU community continues to be stronger when we all stand with our most vulnerable community members and work to keep each other safe.
- Whereas: The Student Government Association (formerly University of Oklahoma Student Association) has, since at least 1978, affirmed the human rights of international students at the University.¹⁸
- Whereas: The Undergraduate Congress and Graduate Student Senate routinely and jointly recognize the heritage months of many immigrant communities across campus (e.g. Hispanic Heritage Month, etc.).¹⁹

¹² “Text – S.2555 – 119th Congress (2025-2026): Student Visa Integrity Act of 2025.” July 30, 2025.

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/senate-bill/2555/text>.

¹³ Redmond, Kendra. 2025. “Proposed F-1 Visa Change Could Limit Students to Four Years in the U.S.” *APS News*, November 17, 2025, <https://www.aps.org/apsnews/2025/11/f-1-visa-limit-students>.

¹⁴ US Citizenship and Immigration Services. 2026. “PM-602-0194.” Electronic document, <https://www.uscis.gov/sites/default/files/document/policy-alerts/PM-602-0194-PendingApplicationsAdditionalHighRiskCountries-20260101.pdf>, accessed February 23, 2026.

¹⁵ Office of the President of the United States of America. 2025. “Restricting and Limiting the Entry of Foreign Nationals to Protect the Security of the United States.” Electronic document, <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/12/restricting-and-limiting-the-entry-of-foreign-nationals-to-protect-the-security-of-the-united-states/>, accessed February 23, 2026.

¹⁶ Chaney, Laura, Anne White, and Lindsey Gruber. 2026. “Update on USCIS Adjudications for Select International Students and Scholars.” Electronic document, <https://www.unlv.edu/announcement/unlv-global/update-uscis-adjudications-select-international-students-and-scholars#:~:text=Update%20on%20USCIS%20Adjudications%20for%20Select%20International%20Students%20and%20Scholars,-Jan.&text=Dear%20International%20Students%20and%20Scholars.OPT%2C%20and%20Change%20of%20Status>, accessed February 23, 2026.

¹⁷ CNN. 2026. “Republican Governor Kevin Stitt: Trump is Getting ‘Bad Advice’ on Immigration Crackdown.” *CNN Politics*, January 25, 2026, <https://www.cnn.com/2026/01/25/politics/video/oklahoma-republican-governor-kevin-stitt-reacts-fatal-shooting-in-minnesota-ice>.

¹⁸ Congressional Bill No. 191102, Congressional Session XIX, *A Resolution Affirming the Human Rights of International Students*

¹⁹ CR-104-11/GF20-13, *Hispanic Heritage Month 2020 Resolution*

Whereas: The Undergraduate Congress and Graduate Student Senate have historically passed resolutions expressing solidarity with immigrant communities and other diverse identity groups at OU^{20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41}, it is important to live up to the spirit of these bills and stand in solidarity with them now by standing up with immigrants across campus.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Resolution Upholding the Rights of Immigrant and International Studies and Advocating for Student Safety.”

Section 2: The Graduate Student Senate affirms and recognizes the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, including Article 13 which establishes “(1) Everyone has the right to freedom of movement and residence within the borders of each state. (2) Everyone has the right to leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country.”⁴²

Section 3: The Graduate Student Senate recognizes and affirms that international students have a right to receive an education at the University of Oklahoma after having been duly admitted and to feel safe and supported while at the University.

Section 4: The Graduate Student Senate affirms that students at the University of Oklahoma should not have to fear raids, attacks, racial profiling, detention, and violence by ICE, US Border Patrol, and other law enforcement agencies while on campus or in its vicinity. Consequently,

²⁰ Congressional Resolution No. 980301, *A Resolution Addressing Hate Speech Directed at Groups and Communities and Diversity Statement*

²¹ CB-102-11/GF19-04, *Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Act*

²² CR-102-13/GF19-18, *Treaty of New Echota Resolution*

²³ CR-103-01/GF19-27, *A Resolution Increasing the Inclusivity of Halal, Vegan, and Gluten-Free Foods in Campus Dining Areas*

²⁴ CR-103-03/GS20-15, *Black History Month Resolution of 2020*

²⁵ CR-103-04/GS20-17, *Black Emergency Response Team Support Resolution*

²⁶ CR-103-05/GS20-18, *Women’s History Month Acknowledgement Resolution of 2020*

²⁷ CR-104-13/GF20-22, *National Coming Out Day Resolution of 2020*

²⁸ CR-105-11/GS21-30, *Love is Anti-Violence Resolution of 2021*

²⁹ CR-105-12/GS21-31, *Fight On Norman High Resolution of 2021*

³⁰ CR-108-01/GS22-30, *Supporting Indigenous Communities Resolution of 2022*

³¹ CR-108-07/GS22-27, *Support for Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Students Resolution of 2022*

³² CR-108-22/GS23-03, *OU SGA Definition of Islamophobia*

³³ CR-110-11/GF23-28, *Native American Heritage Month Recognition Resolution of 2023*

³⁴ CR-111-03/GS24-09, *Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Matters Act*

³⁵ CR-111-06/GS24-12, *Women’s History Month Resolution of 2024*

³⁶ CR-111-11/GS24-26, *Transgender and Nonbinary Student Support Resolution*

³⁷ CR-111-04, *Black History Month Resolution of 2024*

³⁸ CR-113-02/GS25-08, *Black History Month Resolution of 2025*

³⁹ CR-113-05/GS25-13, *Women’s History Month of 2025*

⁴⁰ GS25-30, *Immigration Executive Orders of 2025 Awareness Resolution*

⁴¹ CR-114-07/GF25-16, *Native American Heritage Month Resolution of 2025*

⁴² United Nations. 1948. *Universal Declaration of Human Rights*.

the Graduate Student Senate calls on the University to provide every protection necessary to ensure this security.

- Section 5:** The Graduate Student Senate urges the University of Oklahoma and the University of Oklahoma Police Department to refrain from writing or adopting a 287(g) partnership with ICE.
- Section 6:** The Graduate Student Senate calls on the university to not disclose students' personal information to any third party, federal agency, or state agency without a judicial warrant signed by a judge, and that all disclosures made under a judicial warrant undergo review by OU legal counsel before any action is taken.
- Section 7:** The Graduate Student Senate reiterates the call made in GS26-01 clause 4.a for the University to develop a Harassment Response and Prevention Plan providing clear guidelines for the campus community for responding to political attacks or targeted harassment.
- Section 8:** The Graduate Student Senate calls on the University to explore all legal options to require federal and state agents to be clearly and visually identifiable at all times while on campus, including restrictions on the use of face coverings and requirements to identify themselves by name and identification numbers. The OU Police Department Policy Manual's policies on these issues may serve as a useful model for possible requirements and restrictions.⁴³
- Section 9:** The Student Government Association recognizes the following resources for students at the University of Oklahoma:
- Resources to know your rights and what to do if approached by ICE
 - National Immigrant Justice Center – Know Your Rights: If You Encounter ICE – <https://immigrantjustice.org/for-immigrants/know-your-rights/ice-encounter/>
 - Native American Rights Fund – Resources for Individuals and Nonprofits Approached by ICE – https://narf.org/ice-resources-2026/?gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=23334882148&gbraid=0AAAAADvIrjOuepa81sm3hvUigpUQeSgOY&gclid=CjwKCAiAkVDMBhBMEiwAnUA9BeaXg_NmR5GZAcPXqQsWn4teyFn1WhZnBhfwn3OBrM1U_2U7PcIu0BoCJk4QAvD_BwE
 - Resources that conduct safety trainings and rapid response teams
 - Community Response Network-Oklahoma City (Instagram: @crn_okc)
 - Resources to support mental health
 - OU Counseling Center – <https://www.ou.edu/ucc>
 - Resources for legal counsel and advice, including immigration services
 - Student Legal Services - <http://www.ou.edu/studentlegalservices>
(email: sls@ou.edu)

⁴³ OU Police Department Policy Manual, Policy 1024.1 and 1026.5

Section 10: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Joseph Harroz, Jr., President of the University of Oklahoma
- David Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
- OU International Student Services
- The OU International Advisory Committee
- *OU Daily*
- *OU Nightly*

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Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by the GSS:

Verified by Chair of GSS: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS26

April 9, 2026

SENATE BILL NO. GS26-20

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure approving Conference/Research
& Creative Exhibition Grant awards
for the Spring 2026 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 Spring 2026 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 Spring 2026 semester in the following manner:

TYPE	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	DEPARTMENT	AWARD
Conference	Alahmadi	Abrar	Division of Planning, Landscape Architecture, and Design	\$600.00
Conference	Amani	Kiana	Industrial and Systems Engineering	\$600.00
Conference	Bain	Catherine	Psychology	\$600.00
Conference	Baskin	Hannah	Psychology	\$450.00
Conference	Basnet	Sanjita	Division of Planning, Landscape Architecture, and Design	\$250.00
Conference	Bilal	Ahsan	Computer Science	\$600.00
Conference	Biwa	Syboney	Communication	\$450.00
Conference	Cowger	Katelen	English	\$533.40
Conference	DeCelle	Audry	English	\$500.55
Conference	Denton	Kaitlyn	English	\$371.00
Conference	Dong	Weixuan	Industrial and Systems Engineering	\$600.00
Conference	Dunbar	Anna	Music	\$750.00
Conference	Evans	Madelyn	Communication	\$600.00
Conference	Fullerton	Helen	Anthropology	\$378.00

Conference	Gigliotti	Andrea	Health and Exercise Science	\$450.00
Conference	Gill	Kanvarbir	Educational Psychology	\$750.00
Conference	Gyambea	Regina	Division of Planning, Landscape Architecture, and Design	\$600.00
Conference	Hemdon	Deacon	Chemistry and Biochemistry	\$250.00
Conference	Horton	Delaney	Anthropology	\$600.00
Conference	Hurst	Lynnae	Music	\$450.00
Conference	Jensen	Sam	Anthropology	\$750.00
Conference	Kim	Yoon Sl	Electrical and Computer Engineering	\$600.00
Conference	Larson	Katie	Music	\$750.00
Conference	Liu	Natalie	English	\$450.00
Conference	Manje	Dasplang	Chemistry and Biochemistry	\$600.00
Conference	McCarthy	Justine	Biology	\$584.98
Conference	McIntire	Clarissa	English	\$568.78
Conference	McLimans	Christopher	Biology	\$450.00
Conference	Moorman	Emma	Visual Arts	\$750.00
Conference	Morgan	Laura	Anthropology	\$450.00
Conference	Najafzadeh	Faezeh	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	\$600.00
Conference	Odunfa	Emmanuel	Communication	\$750.00
Conference	Omidi	Hananeh	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	\$450.00
Conference	Parajuli	Bikram	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	\$450.00
Conference	Pradhan	Manish	Division of Construction Science	\$750.00
Conference	Qiu	Yuewei	Communication	\$750.00
Conference	Rijal	Rajan	Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering	\$750.00
Conference	Salem	Asser	Psychology	\$600.00
Conference	Salomon	Gabrielle	Music	\$750.00
Conference	Sharma	Ritika	Chemistry and Biochemistry	\$450.00
Conference	Shayeghi Moghanlou	Afshin	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	\$450.00
Conference	Shrestha	Reeya	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	\$600.00
Conference	Shuo	Shan	Communication	\$750.00
Conference	St Marie	Amber	Educational Psychology	\$450.00
Conference	Stacy	Emma	Psychology	\$65.00
Conference	Stanford	Grace	Anthropology	\$600.00
Conference	Tommy	Solomon	Communication	\$450.00
Conference	Vivero Miranda	Rodrigo	Anthropology	\$750.00
Conference	Vogel	Linnea	English	\$450.00

Conference	Waldron	Megan	Psychology	\$600.00
Conference	Walker	Hana	Biology	\$450.00
Conference	Wang	Chenchun	Geography and Environmental Sustainability	\$450.00
Conference	Xiong	Yi	Biology	\$600.00
TOTAL:				\$29,301.71

TYPE	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	DEPARTMENT	AWARD
Research	Aminpour	Sara	Electrical and Computer Engineering	\$750.00
Research	Cates	Jasmine	Biology	\$450.00
Research	Chandra	Subhash	Computer Science	\$450.00
Research	Davidson	Jaron	Anthropology	\$450.00
Research	Doerge	Michael	Psychology	\$600.00
Research	Fullerton	Helen	Anthropology	\$450.00
Research	Gao	NingJing	Economics	\$450.00
Research	Gilmore	Emilyn	Biology	\$600.00
Research	James	Anna	Biology	\$600.00
Research	Jensen	Sam	Anthropology	\$750.00
Research	Liu	Xiao	Communication	\$600.00
Research	Mahmoud Elhaj	Dana	Psychology	\$600.00
Research	Odunfa	Emmanuel	Communication	\$600.00
Research	Polovic	Jasmina	Anthropology	\$450.00
Research	Punchi Hathanalage	Malinda Bimsara	Chemistry and Biochemistry	\$238.99
Research	Schnee	Ariel	History	\$450.00
Research	Shahid	Tayyab	Petroleum and Geological Engineering	\$450.00
Research	Stephens	Amanda	Psychology	\$450.00
Research	Woodford	Kristina	Health and Exercise Science	\$450.00
TOTAL:				\$9,838.99

Total Conference Funds: **\$29,301.71**

Funding 53 out of 119 reviewed applicants.

Total Research Funds: **\$9,838.99**

Funding 19 out of 47 reviewed applicants.

Total Funds Awarded: \$39,140.70

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.

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Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

