



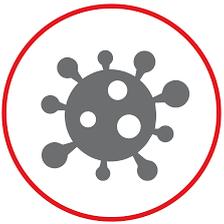
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SIUE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT END OF TERM REPORT



COVID-19

Academic Planning Task Force



I was selected as the student representative to sit on an academic planning task force to advise in developing plans to deliver curriculum and maintenance of research and creative activities for the upcoming academic year. Our timeline is short and we have to deliver these plans by the first week of June. If any students have any questions about this work group I encourage you to reach out to me via jacogra@siue.edu.

COVID-19 Student Response Survey



Every student has been uniquely impacted and as a response we released this survey to gauge students concerns and needs. As a result, we were able to share the results with administration and successfully advocated for a **Pass/ No Credit Academic Policy and Student Refunds** for Spring 2020.

I Have a Reason Mental Health Awareness Event



I Have a Reason is an annual SG event that uses student testimonies to educate and bring awareness to mental health issues. While this event could not happen physically on campus as we imagined, our External Affairs Officer, Kaitlyn Kyle, along with support from SG's External Affairs Committee did a wonderful job transitioning this event to a fully online format. The link to the program is located on the Student Government website homepage.

Summer Employment Resolution

Currently our student employment policy requires student employees to be enrolled in a summer course to be eligible to work in student employment over summer term. Student Government recognizes that our current policy negatively impacts students on campus who intend to continue their employment opportunities during the summer term without the academic and financial commitment of summer course enrollment. Therefore, SG passed a resolution in support of not requiring student employees to be enrolled in summer term courses to maintain student employment eligibility.



Student Trustee Voted to pass 0% increase for Tuition and Fees

This spring, Student Trustee, Mackenzie Rogers, along with the rest of the SIU Board of Trustee's voted to pass a 0% increase on both tuition and fees for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Homecoming Survey

This spring Student Government released a short survey regarding Homecoming questions to give student feedback for changes to come in upcoming years. Currently we are not sure what Homecoming will look like in the fall, but we are pleased to have received over 240 responses to help guide changes students would like to see in the future.





Free Scantrons and Blue Books



The past year we have had **over 700 students come into the SG office to pick up from scantrons and blue books.**

Next year, this Initiative will continue and the limit each student can pick up will be reset.

Inclement Weather Resolution



This past fall, Senate voted to unanimously pass a resolution for a change in our Inclement Weather Policy. In response, the administration passed a policy that included many of our recommendations such as a time closure should be expected to be decided and standard metrics of Fahrenheit and windchill for closure.

2020 SG Virtual Elections



SG was able to successfully transition our elections completely virtual this semester. Instead of having our usual candidate's forum in the Goshen lounge we utilized SG's social media platforms to share info about candidates to students. While the transition created challenges, SG is excited to have all Senate and Executive positions filled for the upcoming year.

Syllabus Bank



This past year I met with the Provost to advocate for creating a syllabus bank to allow students to view previous syllabi before signing up for courses. During the past Winter Session the Provost office released a pilot program for a syllabus bank. In the future, I hope to see syllabi available to students before enrolling in fall and spring courses.

Pre-Finals Week Policy



Current policy at the University allows for exams and major projects to be assigned up until the scheduled date of final exams. After meeting with the Provost, we came to the conclusion that a policy that places a restriction on exams & major projects the Thursday and Friday preceding finals week would be the best balance to allow our students time to prepare for finals while not restricting the academic calendar.





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