

A Brief Introduction to the Students' Association



Three Branches of the Students' Association

The Executive

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The executive branch of the Students' Association consists of the SA President and Vice President, as well as the members they appoint to their Cabinet. The two executive responsibilities are to act as the official SA representatives and advocate for the student body. This involves working with the UR administration, the Senate and its committees, and the student body to better serve the University of Rochester student population.

The Senate

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The legislative branch of the Students' Association is the Senate, comprised of eighteen elected senators and led by the Speaker and Deputy Speaker. The Senate makes all policy decisions dealing with the inner workings of the Students' Association and its government. The Senate also oversees the creation and budgeting of student groups. Four standing committees work throughout the year within the Senate and oversee various projects of the SA.

All-Campus Judicial Council

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The judicial branch of the Students' Association is the All-Campus Judicial Council (ACJC), consisting of a chief justice, an associate chief justice and nine associate justices. The ACJC oversees all judicial matters for the Students' Association government, works with the Dean of Students to adjudicate matters of student discipline, and occasionally deals with matters of academic honesty (when referred to by University Faculty).

SA Senate Standing Committees

Policy & Review

The Policy & Review Committee serves as the regulatory body for the Students' Association. The committee addresses all internal and external policy issues relating to the SA, including overseeing and supporting all student groups by approving their creation, changes to their Constitutions and acting as a student group resource. Additionally, the committee handles the creation and maintenance of SA Government policies.

The Projects & Services Committee is charged with advocating for students to various university departments that provide student services (parking, dining, housing, campus facilities, bookstore, security, etc.). The committee also works to improve the quality of student life, through assessment and improvement of facilities, structures, programs, and policies relevant to the student body.

Projects & Services

Communications

The Communications & Public Relations Committee is the "voice" of the Students' Association government. The committee connects elected leaders with the student body by publicizing SA projects, services, policies and events. The Communications & Public Relations Committee works to keep the Hive, the SA website, up-to-date; it is located at <http://sa.rochester.edu>.

The Students' Association Appropriations Committee (SAAC) is charged with managing the finances of the Students' Association in a way that is both fiscally responsible and in the best interest of the student body. SAAC is responsible for fairly budgeting the mandatory Student Activities Fee to student organizations on campus.

Appropriations

Committee Leadership

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Recent Achievements

- Fall Break extension
- SA Appreciation Awards
- Tolerance Isn't Enough campaign
- Wireless Internet expansion
- Water refill stations and "green" printing

New in 2011-2012

- Rocky's Report video and improvements
- Wellness Program
- Mid-Year Report improvements
- Online forms for Appropriations
- Resources for exploring city of Rochester