Creation of an International Student Alumni Mentor Program
Senate Resolution No. 35

SUBMITTED BY: Jin Kim '19, Senator
CO-SPONSORED BY: Niru Murali '18, Student Life Executive Director
SPONSORED BY: Students' Association Student Life Committee
Michael Dedes, International Student Counselor

WHEREAS, international students constitute a sizeable portion of the University of Rochester community, constituting approximately 22.5% of the undergraduate population; and,

WHEREAS, although the University of Rochester has an existing International Student Mentor Program, many feel that it is inadequate on the grounds that it operates mainly during Orientation week, despite the premise of the program to extend further into the year; and,

WHEREAS, in a survey that asked international students whether they believed an International Student Alumni Mentor Program would be beneficial, more than ninety percent answered yes; and,

WHEREAS, many international students feel as though a similar program would be beneficial to them beyond their undergraduate career; and,

WHEREAS, of the international students that had taken the survey, a majority of the submissions were coupled with strong statements of support for the creation of this program; and,

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WHEREAS, the International Student Counselor Michael Dedes supports the creation of an International Student Alumni Mentor Program; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Rochester Students’ Association Senate directs the Executive Director for Alumni & Advancement for the 2016-2017 academic year to advocate for the creation of the International Student Alumni Mentor Program in conjunction with the International Services Office, the Director of International Student Engagement, and the Career and Internship Center.

Signature of Confirmation
Ethan Bidna
Speaker, Students' Association Senate

Signature of Approval
Grant Dever
President, Students' Association

Senate Votes: Yes: 13 No: 0 Abs: 1 Date: 04/04/2016

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