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STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



THE VOICE OF THE
STUDENT BODY

Frequently Asked Questions

What is SGA?

- The voice of the student body

What does SGA do?

- Address student concerns
- Vote annually on student fees
- Work on fun projects to improve campus

What are SGA members called?

- We have 2 different positions: senators and student representatives.

How many senators are in SGA?

- 18 total. 9 freshmen and 9 upperclassmen.
- There is no limit for the number of student reps.

Who leads SGA?

- From the 18 senators, we elect one President, one Vice President, one Secretary - Treasurer, and one chairman for each committee. They form what is known as the Executive Board.

What does the Executive Board do?

- They attend weekly E-Board meetings to prepare for the senate meetings.



What are committees?

- In order to give each task our full attention, groups known as committees break off to work on various projects. We currently have a Student Affairs Comm., a Communications Comm., and a Finance Comm.

What is the time commitment for senators? Student reps?

- 3-4 hours/week for regular senators
- 4-6 hours/week for E-Board members
- 1 hour/week for student reps

What are the expectations of senators?

- Participating in discussions at weekly senate meetings
- Membership in one committee which meets twice a month
- Holding 2 office hours a week in the SGA office to work on tasks and to be available to students

What projects has SGA worked on in the past?

- Installed the frolf course on campus
- Furnished the game room in the Student Union
- Built and maintain the Food Pantry

What sorts of skills do senators learn as a member of SGA?

- Leadership experience
- Parliamentary procedure
- Creating agendas, minutes, surveys, resolutions, and amendments
- Critical thinking and discussion skills in a group environment with college Executive Council members, directors, and managers.
- Hosting table events and promoting student activities via social media accounts and monthly newsletters
- Important decision making about new changes to student life

What other opportunities does SGA provide?

- **\$1000/semester scholarship for senators**
- **\$300/semester scholarship for student reps**
- Annual senator training
- Travel to other ND colleges to meet with other ND students
- Annual trip to Washington D.C

