

July 19, 2017 Press Release

- ❖ A Senate meeting took place on Saturday, July 8th, 2017
 - Anahita Sharma and Vineela Kunapareddi presented the Intersectional Leadership Collaborative, which is an idea to have a long-term cohort to support diversity and inclusion. The program would likely be 2 hours a week and allows SG Members to be more aware of Diversity and Inclusion issues.
 - Senate Resolution Bill S.18-R-003 resolves that the Governmental Affairs committee will lobby the University of Cincinnati and other institutions on the issue of expanding the Good Samaritan Law in the state of Ohio to include medical amnesty for alcohol abuse.
 - Resolution Bill S.18-R-004 was also passed. Written by Senator Chandler Rankin, this establishes a Minority Leader Circuit to encourage minority student involvement in Student Government initiatives. Started as a Black Student Caucus, it was later expanded to include other groups to represent their ideas. This also includes 3 different co-hosted events: Campaigns of Color, a minority elections workshop to support more minority students to run for office, A Seat at the Table, a leadership navigation workshop, and an Irate8, UBSA, and SG collaboration event.
 - On October 5, 2017, from 5:00-6:30 PM, Student Government will be hosting a Town Hall event to include members from across SG to showcase what they're doing and how they can continue to help students. It is primarily being planned by Senator Chandler Rankin with Outreach Director Umaize Savani and Media Relations Director Sabari Subramanian.
 - Student Court Justices were confirmed. We congratulate Khaled Aboumehri, Clement Coleman, Dominique Francisco, Catherine Reinhart, and Alyse Weinstein

- ❖ President Emlendi and Vice President Drage are working on the “Raising the Bar” Initiative which trains local bars on how to handle Sexual Assault
- ❖ They are also working on the “It’s on Us” Campaign. This is a nationwide campaign to support survivors of Sexual Assault and to help prevent it from happening. A student committee is currently being formed.
- ❖ MainStreet Stride will take a whole new form this year. Director of Student Input, Chandler Meador, will put together a survey on what students wish to see in MainStreet Stride
- ❖ Student Government will conduct an internal observation of the demographics of SG to see if it truly represents the student body of UC
- ❖ Senator Sam Mangold-Lennett is working on expanding the use of the Bearcat Card to certain locations in Over-the-Rhine
- ❖ A survey has been created for feedback on student government elections. Please contact Dillon Staub (staubda@mail.uc.edu) for more information
- ❖ Within the first couple of weeks of the fall semester, President Emlendi and Vice President Drage plan to release a platform update

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About the University of Cincinnati Undergraduate Student Government

The University of Cincinnati Undergraduate Student Government is the governing body of undergraduate students at UC. It is a combination of elected and appointed members. Senate meetings are weekly during the school year on Wednesday nights at 6 PM in Tangeman University Center 425. Visit us at our office at 655 Steger Student Life Center. For any questions regarding press releases or statements on behalf of Student Government, please contact the Executive Director of Media Relations, Sabari Subramanian, at subrams6@mail.uc.edu.