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Officially speaking, SGA is the voice of the student body. This means students have the opportunity to talk with the "big guys" on campus about campus or school issues, concerns, or hopes and dreams. Every year, we receive a budget in order to initiate fun projects or install helpful resources on campus such as the frolf course or the food pantry.

Why should I join SGA?



Scholarships are available. Student reps. receive \$300 a semester and senators receive \$1000-\$2000 depending on their position.

We are reintroducing our annual trip to Washington DC!



You will have the opportunity to learn a lot of skills that are good to add to a resumé.

Working with SGA is a great way to give back to the campus community while also getting hands-on learning about government.

I want to join, but I'm too busy.

We get it. As a senator, you have to commit 3-6 hours/week to SGA, and that's a lot. That's why we created the student representative position. They are only involved for about 1 hour/week.

How do I sign up?

- Freshmen usually join after the Fall elections which are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the Fall Semester. Upperclassmen (24+ credits completed) join after the Spring elections which are held on the last Tuesday of April. Simply contact us or keep an eye out about 3 weeks before elections for notifications from SGA on how to put your name on the ballot.
- If you want to join now, reach out to us via email, phone, or stop by our office in the Student Union. If we have an open seat, then we will invite you to a senate meeting, and vote you in the following week.

How do elections work?

- You can nominate yourself, another BSC student, or a BSC faculty or staff member can nominate you up until 2 days before elections.
- An SGA advisor will then email and/or call you to inform you that your name will be put on the ballot. If you choose to not accept the nomination, then you can request to have your name removed from the ballot.
- Campaign Week is the week before elections, ending on the Sunday before Election Day. If you are nominated in time, you can participate in Campaign Week by advertising and letting other students know that they should vote for you.
- Early voting starts at noon the day before Election Day, and all voting ends on Election Day at 11:59pm.
- If you are voted into office, then the SGA Advisor will contact you to ask whether you accept or decline.