

# Legislative Platform

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The Florida College System Student Government Association represents more than 800,000 students enrolled in the twenty-eight colleges within the Florida College System.

## **State**

#### **Policy and Procedure**

- FCSSGA will oppose any bills and/or laws that will allow for concealed weapon use on the Florida College System campuses.
  - o <u>Licenses to Carry Concealed Weapons or Firearms</u>
    - House Bill 4001 (Against)
    - Senate Bill 68 (Against)
  - Weapons and Firearms
    - House Bill 163 (Against)
    - Senate Bill 300 (Against)

### **College Affordability**

- FCSSGA will support any bills and/or laws that will forgive loans for Florida College System students teaching in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) related fields.
  - o Relating to STEM Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
    - House Bill 0015 (For)
    - Senate Bill 290 (For)
- FCSSGA will support any bills and/or laws that require the Florida College System institutions to have student loan default rates below the national average.
  - o Federal Student Loan Default Rates
    - House Bill 123 (For)
    - Senate Bill 0146 (For)
- FCSSGA will support any bills and/or laws that provide Bright Future funding for Florida College System students who are unable to accept an initial award immediately after completion of high school.
  - o Bright Futures Scholarship Program
    - House Bill 793 (For)
    - Senate Bill 520 (For), Senate Bill 990 (For)
- FCSSGA will support any bills that allow postsecondary access and textbook affordability.
  - Education Access and Affordability
    - House Bill 7019 (For)
    - Senate Bill 984 (For)
- The students of Florida support any bills that will increase funding for the Florida College System.
  - o <u>Increase funding for the Florida College System</u>

#### **Social Issues**

- FCSSGA will support any bills and/or laws that would require law enforcement who use body cameras to have a detailed process for the proper use, maintenance, and storage of the cameras as well as storage of the data collected.
  - Relating to Law Enforcement Officer Body Cameras
    - House Bill 93 (For)
    - Senate Bill 68 (For)
- FCSSGA will support any bills and/or laws that prohibit discrimination against individuals based on their sexual
  orientation or gender identity.
  - o Prohibited Discrimination
    - House Bill 45 (For)
    - Senate Bill 120 (For)



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# **Federal**

### **College Affordability**

- FCSSGA will support any bills and/or laws that provide free tuition for Florida college students.
  - o America's College Promise Act of 2015
    - H.R.2962 (For)
    - <u>S.1716</u> (For)