

Student Leadership Opportunities

The Student Trustee

Each year the students of Salem State University elect a student to serve as a voting member of the College's Board of Trustees. The Student Trustee works closely with various representatives of the student body and the College in an effort to bring a balanced view of the University's needs and opinions to the Board of Trustees. The Student Trustee also represents the University in meetings with other colleges and universities across the state. The Student Trustee Office is Room 110, located on the first floor of the Campus Center.

Campus Committees

The following committees play a substantial role in the operation of the University. Thus, it is important that the students appointed to serve on these committees strive to consistently and fairly represent current student opinion. Students are eligible for full voting privileges on all of these committees.

In order to be eligible for membership on any college committee, a student must be in good academic and administrative standing. The Student Government Association administers the process of appointing students to serve on these various committees. Nominations for these committees are widely publicized during the Fall semester and each time a vacancy occurs on one of the many committees. Students who are interested in serving on a committee should contact the Student Government Association in Campus Center, Room 120, for further information about positions that may be available.

Most of the University's Contract and Non-Contract committees are listed here. As new issues or needs arise, however, additional committees may be formed and appointed periodically by the University and/or student leaders. This list is not exhaustive, but it is intended as a reference guide for interested students. Only committees that undergraduate day students may serve on are listed. If you are interested in serving on a committee contact the Student Government office at 978-542-8014.

CONTRACT Committees

All College

Students: 3

- The primary agent for coordination and implementation of all contract committees except for Graduate Education Council, and for making recommendations to the President

Academic Policies

Students: 3

- To make reports and recommendations on the academic calendar, academic standards, University admissions standards, selective retention, educational services for the local community; and library services.

Curriculum

Students: 3

- To make reports and recommendations on the coordination and improvement of the University's academic programs; on deletions from, additions to, or changes in the University inventory of courses; on major and general educational requirements and proposed changes; on new major programs of study.
- To study the academic programs of the University and consider and propose major changes in the curriculum design.
- To advise the President on the establishment or disestablishment of any department.

Library/Media Development

Students: 3

- Advises and assists the Library and Instructional Media Center in ascertaining present and future needs; advises ongoing and future programs; makes reports and recommendations related to Library and Instructional Media Center as academic support area.

Student Life

Students: 9

- To make reports and recommendations with respect to the needs of the student population to be served, student activities, and student participation in the cultural and social activities of the University.

NON-CONTRACT

ADA/Section 504 Task Force

Students: 3

- To coordinate the self-evaluation required by Section 504.
- To assess the needs of the disabled population on campus; to make recommendations to the appropriate committees and offices.

Affirmative Action

Students: 3

- To evaluate institutional compliance with all Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity programs.
- To keep informed as to federal and state laws and regulations as well as institutional and system wide policy impacting on Affirmative Action.
- To make recommendations to the President of the University as well as to respective campus and system wide governance committees concerning resolution with respect to the effective implementation of the University's Affirmative Action plan.

Academic Computing

Students: 3

- The charge to the Academic Computing Committee is:
 - to develop an academic computing vision for Salem State University and ascertain the University's strategic, global, and long-term academic computing needs.
 - to serve as an information conduit between the Academic Vice President and the faculty/librarians in matters concerning academic computing policy.

Academic Speakers/ Honorary Degrees Committee

Students: 3

- To plan and implement the Presidential Lecture Series featuring presentations by outstanding members of the Salem State University faculty; to ask for and screen suggestions for a commencement speaker for nomination to the President; to recommend honorary degree recipients to the President; to arrange for other presentations of University-wide interests as from time to time may be requested.

Athletic Council

Students: 3

- Acts in an advisory role to approve new intercollegiate club and intramural programming along with facility improvements. Offers suggestions on policies, procedures and scheduling of the O'Keefe.

Budget Committee

Students: 3

- Develop the proposed University-wide Budget for President's approval. Review and recommend approval of major trust fund budgets to President. Review and recommend fee increase proposals to the president.

Center for Teaching Innovation (CTI) Advisory Committee

Students: 1

- To advise the CTI on professional development programming as well as to facilitate communication between the CTI and the campus community

Civic Engagement Committee

Students: 2

- Look at the broad range of definitions and programs called "Civic Engagement" at colleges & universities.
- Explore what the range of civic engagement activities have been at SSU
- Initiate a campus-wide discussion about the potential scope of civic engagement and how it might be defined at SSU.
- Conduct external conversations with our broader regional community to understand how SSU should be civically engaged.

College Bookstore Council

Students: 3

- Prepares application and screens requests for funds after conducting formal hearings on student-oriented projects; administers the Bookstore Surplus Trust Fund.

Core-Curriculum Advisory

Students: 2

- Review the current core curriculum and make recommendations regarding appropriate changes. Submit findings to the All-College Committee who will subsequently submit the report to the appropriate governance committee.

Enrollment Management Advisory Committee

Students: 3

- Make recommendations concerning enrollment and retention of students.

Financial Aid/Scholarship

Students: 5

- To assist students and/or members of the University community with questions, issues or concerns that they have regarding the financial aid process.
- To make recommendation to the Financial Aid office and respective Vice Presidents regarding the committee's ideas and/or solutions to remediate issues and problems.

Honor and Memorialize

Students: 3

- To make recommendations regarding the process by which retiring members of the University Community may be granted emeritus status.
- To make recommendations for the naming of a campus building, room, or facility in honor of an individual who has made a significant contribution to the University

Parking Committee

Students: 2

- Make recommendations concerning the allocation of parking.

President's Advisory Committee on Diversity and Minority Issues

Students: 9

- Make recommendations of diversity and minority issues at the University.

Safety and Emergency Preparedness

Students: 2

- To educate all members of the community about concerns and issues relating to campus safety and security; to be responsible for encouraging an open discourse and conversation regarding the development of policies and procedures which would ensure the safety of all community members and guests while at the institution; to review those policies established and enforced by the Office of Public Safety to provide a safe and secure campus environment.

Senior Awards

Students: 8

Make recommendations concerning senior awards.

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Space Committee

Students: 2

- To review current uses of campus space including need for space and the flow of functions across the campus;
- To seek input from the campus community of space needs;
- To offer suggestions for future space allocations in all areas of our work including instructional, extracurricular and administrative needs.

Strategic Planning Council

Students: 3

- To make recommendations regarding the University's strategic goals and objectives.

Who's Who

Students: 4

- Make recommendations for inclusion in Who's Who.

Student Government Association, Inc., S.G.A.

The membership of the Student Government Association, Inc., (S.G.A.) includes all full-time undergraduate day students. The S.G.A. is the elected representative body of the Salem State University student body and the sole voice of the students to administration, faculty and legislators.

The students of Salem State University, through the representatives they elect, form a workable student government, promote student justice by insuring the rights and liberties of all students, and demonstrate professional ethics within a democratic system. The S.G.A. also provides services to students such as free legal services and funds all student organizations with money collected from the student activity fee.

The S.G.A. Executive Board consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. The Senators make up the majority of the body. There is one Senator elected for every 200 students of each class. The Advisor to S.G.A. is a member of the Student Life Division's professional staff. Elections are held twice a year and all students should participate by voting or running for office.

The Constitution of the Salem State University Student Government Association, Inc.

PREAMBLE

We the students of Salem State University, in order to improve and ensure quality of education and all aspects of student life, promote the welfare of the college community, and realize our responsibilities, do ordain and establish this constitution for the Student Government Association of Salem State University.

ARTICLE I - Name

Section 1. This organization established herein shall be known as the Student Government Association, Inc.

ARTICLE II - Purpose

Section 1. The Student Government Association, Inc., is established for the purpose of providing a viable and democratic system of student governance which will create an official forum for the expression of student opinion, ensure student justice and the civil rights of the membership, secure and defend the rights and freedoms necessary for the full participation of students in the educational and governance processes of Salem State University and to establish this constitution for the student membership of Salem State College as the Supreme Law of student governance.

Section 2. The Student Government Association shall oversee the allocation of the student activity fee collected annually from the membership.

Section 3. The Student Government Association may be a partner in any enterprise in which the Student Government Association has the power to conduct itself.

ARTICLE III - Membership

Section 1. All undergraduate day students are members of the Student Government Association.

Section 2. Voting members shall be designated as those individuals who hold positions on the student Senate and Executive Board, with the exception of the President of the Student Government Association.

Section 3. The membership shall be open to all undergraduate day students regardless of race, color, religion, sex, creed, national origin, age, disability or sexual preference.

Section 4. The Student Government Association does not and will not participate in any acts which would be viewed as hazing as decreed by Massachusetts State Law, Chapter 269, Section 17, 18, and 19 as amended. In addition to State Laws, the Association

will also abide by the specific rules and regulations of the college pertaining to hazing.

Contact the SGA Office in ECC 120 for a complete copy of the SGA Constitution

Program Council

Program Council is an organization run totally by and for the students and is responsible for many of the major activities on campus. Program Council meets every Monday at 4:30 pm in the Campus Center and all students are welcomed and encouraged to come to meetings. Program Council divides its programming up into coordinators positions which include Concert, Welcome Week, Spring Week, Off Campus, Night Programming, Community Service and Senior Week. Events are coordinated by Program Council members. This enables members to play an active role in the selection and implementation of the programs. Program Council also co-sponsors events with other groups on campus.

This past year some of their events were trips to the Red Sox and Celtics games, Six Flags Fright Fest, Outdoor Drive-In Movie, and Mind Readers, "The Evasons". We presented a number of nationally known comedians, hypnotists, and bands too. Program Council also featured many novelty giveaways throughout the year such as Photo Key Chains, Air Brush Hats, Make Your Own Street Signs, and Decorate A Cookie. Come and check out our events or stop by a meeting. Call 978-542-6445 for more information to get involved.



Campus Student Organizations, Interest Groups and Other Societies

Accounting Association

The purpose of this organization is to encourage professional interest among students preparing for careers in Business Administration by offering lectures and programs geared toward Accounting. For more information, please call Ext. 6627.

Alliance

The Alliance offers Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender students and their Straight Supporters an opportunity to meet socially, plan events, and give support to each other. The Alliance has co-sponsored National Coming Out Day Activities, A.I.D.S. Awareness Week, Social Dances, Movie Nights, and Poetry Slams. For more information, please call Ext. 7541.

African Student Union

The African Student Union fosters awareness of African issues and helps to unite African students within the Salem State community.

American Advertising Federation

The purpose of this organization is to encourage students to protect and promote the well-being of advertising. For more information, please call EXT. 7891.

American Marketing Association

The purpose of the American Marketing Association (AMA) is to expose students to the practical and ethical practices of Marketing as they exist in the business world. One of the AMA's contributions is to hold seminars and workshops aimed at preparing students for job searches in Marketing. For more information, please call Ext. 6439.

Amnesty International

This organization's purpose is to enhance student's awareness of international human rights concerns.

Asian Students Association

The purpose of the Asian Students Association is to provide activities so that students will have a better understanding of different Asian ethnic backgrounds.

The organization seeks to provide learning experiences for the Salem State College community. For more information, please call Ext. 2517.

Biological Society

The purpose of the Biological Society is to provide an opportunity for college biology, physics, and chemistry students to come together and share common ideas, interests, goals and career objectives. The Society provides tutoring in Biology courses and the possibility to expand one's knowledge of Biology through personal and group projects. For more information, please call Ext. 6756.

Cru

A group focused on encouraging fellow students to develop a personal relationship with God through His son Jesus Christ. The foundation of our faith is the Holy Bible. Meetings are held Mondays at 11:00 am, Essex County Room, Campus Center. Contact number is Ext. 2514.

Campus Educators on Sexual Assault

Campus Educators on Sexual Assault (C.E.S.A.) is a group which offers training in sexual assault education and prevention. The group also offers opportunities for students to do outreach on campus to educate others on issues related to sexual assault. Contact Ext. 6435 or Ext. 6410 for more information.

Campus Hope

Encourages the campus community to experience the love of God for us and to share this love with others.

Chemistry Society

The Chemistry Society brings together students and faculty for career planning, academic support, and social activities. It is open to anyone who is interested in Chemistry. For more information, please call Ext. 6236.

Chess Club

The Chess Club educates students on the rules and fundamentals of the game and challenges their abilities and strengths versus other opponents in the game of chess.

Community Service Group

The purpose of the Community Service Group is to produce community events that will serve the wellbeing of the SSC Community, surrounding communities, and communities in need. The Community Service Group also sponsors an Alternative Spring Break trip every year.

Computer Programming Club

Brings students interested in programming together within the Salem State community. It also helps to raise awareness of computer science issues and matters.

Criminal Justice Academy

The purpose of the Academy is to enhance students' awareness in the field of Criminal Justice through group activities, guest speakers and field trips. For more information, please call Ext. 6360.

Earth Science Association

The ESA organizes, promotes and conducts educational activities to enhance the student body's understanding of the Geological Sciences and the Earth. Open to all students. Meetings: TBA MH329. Contact Ext. 6283.

Economics Club

The purpose of the Economics Club is to encourage and facilitate the understanding of economics in theoretical and practical applications. The Club extends the resources of the Economics Department to the College community by providing additional learning experiences for students. For more information, please call Ext. 6625.

English Society

The purpose of this organization is to create a place for student literary writing and to encourage participation in student research symposiums. For further information, please call EXT. 7050.

Finance Association

The purpose of the Finance Association is to encourage and facilitate the understanding of Finance in theoretical and practical applications. The Association is designed to provide learning experiences, career awareness, and networking opportunities for students and to extend the resources of the Finance Department to the College community. For more information, please call Ext. 7238.

Florence Luscomb Women's Center

The Center operates as a resource/referral information service for women with a diversity of needs by providing workshops and discussion groups in a supportive environment. The Women's Center sponsors educational programs throughout the year and for Women's History Month. For more information, please call Ext. 6555.

French Club

Promote further knowledge and awareness of French and francophone cultures.

Future Educators of America

The purpose of the Future Educators of America is to expand students' knowledge of current educational techniques and practices, help them network with practicing professionals, and assist them in becoming effective teachers to enrich the future of America's schools. For information, please call Ext. 7067.

Hispanic American Society

The Hispanic American Society is a social organization on campus that welcomes all students, including those in Continuing Education and Graduate programs. Its mission is to promote an interest among students in Hispanic history and culture by sponsoring educational, cultural, and social events. For more information, please call Ext. 6738.

Historical Association

The Historical Association is a student organization composed of history majors and minors and other students interested in historical study and discussion. For more information, please call Ext. 6286.

Honors Program Advisory Council

The purpose of this organization is to actively support the intellectual and social growth of the members of the Honors Program and the College community. For more information, please call Ext. 6240.

Italian Club

Promotes further knowledge of Italian culture through films, excursions, presentations and discussions. The club also provides students and faculty opportunities to communicate in Italian.

International Business Club

The purpose of this student organization is to enhance student's academic experiences and global knowledge. For more Information, please call Ext.

International Students Association

The purpose of the International Students Association is to foster inter-national awareness and cultural exchange between all members of the College. The group also helps international students cope with problems such as homesickness, culture shock and acclimating to the American environment. Membership is open to all students. For more information, please call Ext. 6351.

The Log

The *Log*, the campus newspaper and the independent voice of Salem State, is the only publication entirely written, edited and financed by students. Whether your interest is news, sports, or the arts, the *Log* is interested in you! For more information, please call Ext. 6448.

Military Support Group

The Military Support Group provides support and a social network for those who are in the military or interested in joining the military.

Multicultural Student Association

The Multicultural Student Association provides Salem State College students with an avenue whereby they can get together as a group to explore their heritage. The Association is made up of three organizations African-American Affairs, West Indian Affairs and Cape Verdean Affairs. The association hosts many educational and social events. A contact number for the MSA is Ext. 6461.

Music Society

These groups provide a social and cultural forum for musicians and non-musicians alike. They include College Chorus, Early Music Ensemble, Stage Band, Chamber Singers, Concert Band, and Music Society. For more information, please call Ext. 2512.

Philosophy Club

The purpose of the Salem State Philosophy Club shall be to encourage philosophical engagement, increase critical thinking and critical awareness, and to hold events and activities to promote philosophical discussion on campus.

Political Science Academy

Promotes political thought and discussion through speakers, trips and model U.N. competitors. Open to the entire student body. Meetings are held Mondays at 11:00 am Meier Hall room 346. Contact number Ext. 2515.

Pre-Law Society

Provides opportunities to learn about law school and careers in the legal profession and to educate the campus community about contemporary and historical issues under the law.

Program Council

The Program Council provides a wide variety of entertainment for students, including comedians, concerts, game shows, novelty events, lectures and more! Program Council meets every Monday at 4pm in the Ellison Campus Center. For more information, please call Ext. 6445.

Public Relations Student Society of America

Provides Scholarships, internships, leadership workshops, networking, travel opportunities, job placement assistance and a variety of projects student may participate in at a local, regional and national level. Meetings are held Mondays at 11:00 am in the Group and Clubs Conference Room Bsmt. Campus Center. Contact number Ext. 2519.

Repertory Dance Theatre

The Repertory Dance Theatre is a dance company on a professional level of the highest caliber. The company is geared toward performances and lecture demonstrations. It also sponsors a series of master classes that give instruction and technique in choreography to students in order to heighten the level of college and community interest in the art of dance. Membership is open to dancers from the College and the community. For more information, please call Ext. 6738.

Residence Hall Association

The RHA represents the resident student population in all matters and affairs with the administration and all organizations concerning or affecting the quality of living on campus. RHA sponsors programs and activities between and among the various residences areas on campus. For more information contact Ext. 4742.

Salem Geographical Society

The purpose of this organization is to expand and pursue the academic field of Geography. This organization academically explores the disciplines of Cartography, Geology, and other disciplines that deal with the geography of the "spaceship earth." For additional information, please contact Ext. 6923.

Salem State College Game Club

The purpose of the Salem State Game Club shall be to forge friendships through a shared love of games.

Salem State Scuba Club

The purpose of the Salem State College Dive Club is to provide opportunities for Scuba divers of all skill levels to improve their

diving skills, encourage dive safety, and organize dive trips for all members of the organization.

Spanish Club

Creates linguistic and cultural awareness on campus and promote the study of foreign languages and expand cultural interest amidst the student body and abroad.

S.T.A.R.T. (Student Action Resource Team)

S.T.A.R.T. is an organization whose purpose is to enhance an awareness of the field of Social Services among students, and create a cohesive atmosphere among students and faculty within the School of Social Work. For more information, please call Ext. 6650.

Sociological Society

The Sociological Society is an organization whose purpose is to encourage interest among students in the study of the working of society.

Sport Movement Science Club

The Sports Movement Science Club is to create a sense of community as well as provide funding and support for academic and social enrichment within the Sport, Fitness and Leisure Studies Department. Meetings are Mondays 11:00 am Room 220, O'Keefe Center. Contact number is Ext. 6581.

Student Commuter Association

The Salem State College Student Commuter Association represents the general ideas and interests of the student commuters of Salem State to the Administration of the college; and works with the Student Government Association and the Student Trustee in promoting a better quality of campus life for commuter students. For more information, contact number is Ext. 6435.

Student Nurses Association

The Student Nurses Association is recognized as the governing and representative organization of Nursing majors. For more information, please call Ext. 2520.

Student Theatre Ensemble

This organization provides students with performance and production opportunities on campus. For more information, please call Ext. 2513.

Ultimate Frisbee Team

The Ultimate Frisbee Team provides students with the opportunity to play organized ultimate frisbee as a team.

Urban Arts Theatre

The Urban Arts Theatre organization educates the Salem State community about diversity and urban culture through dance, drama, spoken word/poetry, and visual art.

WMWM Radio 91.7 FM

WMWM-FM, Salem State College's radio station, is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission as a non-commercial, educational radio station. WMWM is a student-operated organization providing the college community and North Shore listeners with progressive and alternative radio programming. For more information, please call Ext. 7701.

For more information about Groups & Clubs that are currently inactive, please contact the Campus Center at ext. 6436.

Interest Groups

Fitness and Nutrition Club – Promote the benefits of good nutrition and fitness as well as creating a supportive community to discuss, motivate, and train with.

Grandma's Third Leg

The purpose of this organization is to provide an environment to learn and perform improv comedy.

Intercultural Leadership Program

The Intercultural Leadership Program is a learning community for culturally diverse students who are committed to academic excellence, leadership, mentoring, and civic engagement.

Juggling Club

To provide an environment that educates the campus community on juggling, flow and object manipulation arts.

Sci-Fi Fantasy Club – Promotes further knowledge on the sci-fi/fantasy fandom.

MASSPIRG

The Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group (MASSPIRG) is a statewide student organization which conducts projects involving research, educational outreach, and advocacy on important issues of public concern in Massachusetts. Some of these issues include hunger, homelessness, and the environment. For more information, please call Ext. 2511.

Students of Salem for Peace

This organization raises awareness of alternatives to violence and approaches to peace.

Honor Societies

Alpha Delta Mu

National Social Work Honor Society. For more information, call Ext. 6650.

Alpha Kappa Delta

International Sociology Honor Society. For more information, call Ext. 6362.

Alpha Lambda Delta

National Society which honors high scholastic achievement during the first year in college. For more information, call Ext. 6246.

Alpha Mu Delta

National Marketing Honor Society. For more information, call Ext. 6634.

Alpha Sigma Lambda

National Society that honors students In Continuing Higher Education, call Ext. 6324

Delta Mu Delta

Honor Society for Business Administration. For more information, call Ext. 6635.

Gamma Theta Upsilon

International Honor Society in Geography. For more information, call Ext. 6225.

Phi Alpha Theta

International Honor Society for historians. For more information, call Ext. 6286.

Phi Kappa Phi

National Honor Society to recognize superior scholarship in all fields of study.
For more information, call Ext. 6240.

Pi Lambda Theta

An Honor and professional association in Education, dedicated to providing leadership development and academic excellence in education. For more information, call Ext. 6266.

Pi Sigma Alpha

Honor Society in Political Science. For more information, call Ext. 6353.

Psi Chi

National Honor Society in Psychology. For more information, call Ext. 6354.

Sigma Theta Tau

The International Honor Society of Nursing. For information, call Ext. 6624.