



The University of Michigan
Central Student Government

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President Schlissel, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University,

I am pleased and honored to submit the following report to you on behalf of the Central Student Government (CSG). Below is an update on CSG's ongoing and recent projects as we continue to serve the students of this University.

Central Student Government's [Governing Documents](#) prescribes the presentation of the *State of the Students* Report by the CSG President each semester. Although the president has discretion concerning the content of his, her, or their report, the *State of the Students* report is an opportunity to highlight the accomplishments and on-going projects of the current administration. Accordingly, I have provided this semester's report in two formats: (1) as a presentation to the 8th Assembly on February 12th, which can be viewed [here](#) and (2) as a written report for distribution to the student body, which can be found [here](#).

In addition to the *State of the Students* report, I have highlighted some updates:

- **Michigan Affordability Task Force:**
 - On January 30th, the Central Student Government President signed Executive Order 8-013 changing the name of the Food Insecurity & Housing Affordability Task Force to the Michigan Affordability Task Force. This decision was made in order to better reflect the wide range of affordability issues students face during their time on campus. Although food insecurity and housing affordability remain the most notable barriers, the CSG Executive Team believes other aspects of the college experience, such as textbook, transportation, and health care affordability, present students with significant financial burden. Accordingly, we hope the new title better reflects the work and scope of the task force. As of February, the task force is continuing to develop its five year plan to work with administration to address financial barriers on campus.
- **Empower Survivors: A Forum on Sexual Misconduct Policy**
 - On February 6th, Central Student Government hosted *Empowering Survivors: A Forum on Sexual Misconduct Policy*. The event featured Julieanne Himmelstein, former Assistant U.S. Attorney at Department of Justice and Associate Managing Director at Kroll Experts, Nicole Lamb-Hale, Obama-Appointed Assistant Secretary at the Department of Commerce and Managing Director at Kroll Experts, Elizabeth Seney, Assistant Director and Deputy Title IX Coordinator in the Office for Institutional Equality, Kamaria Porter, Ph.D. candidate in the Center for the Study of Higher and Post-secondary Education, Kaaren Williamsen, Director of SAPAC, and Jim McEvelly, Case Manager for Student Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct at the Office of Student Conflict Resolution. The topics included presentations and panels regarding Title IX policy, the Sixth Circuit Court Ruling and campus issues related to sexual misconduct, survivor support, and perpetuating a campus culture that values consent.
- **Pilot of the Liaison Program**
 - On November 27th, CSG introduced its new Liaison Program. Student organizations will soon be able to appoint a rising leader to act as a liaison between CSG and their organization. The program will establish cohorts based on the student organization's missions and hold bi-weekly cohort meetings alongside monthly mass meetings. The new

program will provide a platform for cross-campus and inter-organization connectedness and collaboration, information sharing, and CSG resources and workshops. Ultimately,

CSG hopes the Liaison Program will improve the productivity and connectedness of student organizations with hopes of improving the overall Michigan experience.

- **Round I of the NET Plan**
 - In December, CSG introduced the Narrative, Equity and Transformation (NET) Plan. The new program enables student organizations to work with CSG to assess and reflect on the participating organization's inclusivity and diversity. The assessment begins with a demographic and climate survey of the organization's members followed by an analysis of the current culture and practices. CSG will then individually work with the organizations to build unique DEI plans to improve the organization's accessibility and inclusivity. As of February, the Executive Diversity Officer and Deputy Executive Diversity Officer have begun collaboration with four student organizations.
- **CSG's Airbus Service to DTW**
 - CSG continues to provide students with subsidized transportation to the Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW). The Eastbound airbuses pick students up from on-campus locations, including State Street, the Hill Community, and Bursley Residence Hall. The Westbound airbuses provide transportation from both terminals back to campus. This year, CSG served 269 riders during Fall Break and over 1,469 students during Thanksgiving. Airbus will be available for students traveling for Spring Break.

Respectfully submitted,



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University of Michigan - Dearborn Student Government

February 2019 Regents' Report

President Schlissel, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, it is my pleasure and honor to submit the following report to you on behalf of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Student Government.

Policy Change: February 16, 2019 marks the first ever United Student Governments Conference on the Dearborn campus. We have invited schools from all over the state to join Dearborn in collaborating on Title IX policy changes as well as engaging with Senators and Representatives during the Higher Education Funding Panel. We want this conference to be an opportunity to create concrete connections with universities around the state, so our call to action resolutions count for not just the number of students on our campuses, but for the strength of our voices.

Community Connections: The University of Michigan-Dearborn Student Government is finally announcing that our campus is starting a bike share program this Summer 2019! Student Government has been working on this initiative for quite some time and through collaboration with the Business Affairs office, we are obtaining three bike share racks, at campus hotspots. Each rack includes five bikes, all of which can be controlled by a mobile application. What makes this initiative shine, however, is the fact that the bike share program is by Zagster, the same bike share program that is used by the City of Dearborn. This will not only be able to provide international students and students without individual transportation another form of transport, but will also be a way for our commuter campus to become more engaged with the City of Dearborn. Next to come is collaboration with the City of Dearborn on the addition of bike lanes.

When I introduced myself to the Board of Regents, I requested your help so that I am held accountable for the many changes my administration wants to and is implementing on campus. Therefore, I extend an open invitation to any of the Regents to reach out to Student Government for anything at all. We would love to show you around our wonderful campus and talk about all of the exciting developments coming soon. Thank you for taking the time to read this report regarding the work done by the UM-Dearborn Student Government, and thank you for your commitment to the University of Michigan campuses and its students. Please let me know if you would like any additional information on upcoming projects.

Best,

Vivien Adams - President of the University of Michigan - Dearborn Student Government



**University of Michigan-Flint
Student Government
February 2019 Regents' Report**

President Schlissel, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, I am pleased and honored to submit the following report to you on behalf of the University of Michigan-Flint Student Government. Below is an update on Student Government's achievements and upcoming initiatives that we are working on this academic year.

Last December we had the recurring BYOB (Bring Your Own Book) event from December 10th to the 13th. BYOB is an SG event in partnership with the Thompson Library. The library offers its space and resources for 24 hours each day, and Student Government provided a variety of refreshments for students and worked with a campus fraternity, Alpha Sigma Phi, to walk students to their car if needed. This fall we had approximately 460 students participating in the event. Next semester, SG will form a committee to help strategize ways to improve and expand on the event with the goal to better serve our campus community.

This past month, in partnership with Department of Public Safety (DPS), Student Government has upgraded the Safe Ride service. Students are now able to download and use the new mobile application called "Tap Ride." The app is designed to allow students to request rides across campus on demand (This app is currently used at the Ann Arbor campus). Before the launch of the application, DPS asked for it to be tested by Student Government members who provided immediate and positive feedback to the department. On February 2nd, Student Government, in partnership with DPS, expanded the routes for Safe Ride. They will now offer student's transportation to the Genesee Valley Mall and the Swartz Creek Meijer. This initiative was designed to better accommodate students living in housing on campus.

Starting this month, Student Government, in partnership with the Center for Gender and Sexuality (CGS), has brought back the Student Organization Incentive Program. Peer Educators will speak to student leaders on the subjects of inclusive sex, healthy relationships, bystander intervention, and Trans 101. In order to be awarded with the incentive of \$200, the organization must have at least 75% of the executive board attend and participate in all the programs offered by the Peer Educators. The goal of this program is to get students engaged in a discussion of a variety of social issues impacting our culture today. Student leaders will learn ways to advocate for one another and be directly involved in fostering inclusive spaces for all students to feel supported on campus.



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Student Government has recently passed S.R. 2019-002 Resolution to support the formation of the Students of Michigan Committee. The creation of this committee will facilitate the communication between the three campuses (Ann Arbor, Dearborn and Flint).

Student Government is currently working on the following issues:

- Addressing micro-aggression on campus in particular towards Students of color
- Creating an Affordability guide
- S.R 2019-001 Resolution Condemning University Discipline of Associate Professor John Cheney-Lippold and Expressing Support of Academic Freedom. Our administration has taken a strong stance on this issue as we believe it directly impacts the way we engage in social change. As we know already, actions have clearly been taken against the professor and we condemn those actions. As students, we believe in the values governing higher education and more importantly the role our faculty and staff play in the process of ensuring our success in the classroom and beyond it.

In correction of the previous report, SR 2018-002, which would grant an open seat for Genesee Early College, did not pass by Senate.

Thank you for taking the time to read this update and thank for your continued commitment to our University and student success.

Respectfully,

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