



The University of Michigan  
**Central Student Government**

ITEM FOR INFORMATION

Subject: Central Student Government (CSG) 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 Central Student Government (CSG). Below is an update on the work of CSG in August and September, as we continue to serve the students of the University:

Recent and On-Going CSG Projects

- **Pride Outside:**
  - Central Student Government hosted its annual Pride Outside: LGBTQ Welcome on September 2<sup>nd</sup> with the Spectrum Center and O-Stem. This year, the Pride Outside festival experienced a continued growth in attendees and student organization participants.
  
- **Reusable Grocery Bags:**
  - In order to boost sustainability at a student level, CSG purchased 500 reusable grocery bags that were distributed to off-campus students during Welcome Week; in partnership with Beyond the Diag. As mentioned earlier, CSG plans on donating more of these bags to the Maize and Blue Cupboard.
  
- **Game-Day Hydration Stations:**
  - The previous two home game-day's, CSG has hosted hydration stations with volunteers from the Fraternity-Sorority Life community. These stations help serve hundreds of students as they walk to the Big House, by handing out waters and free hot-dogs (courtesy of Michigan Dining). We were also able to pilot a transition to compostable cups, thanks to Planet Blue and MDining's sustainability group.
  
- **Group-X Passes:**
  - In the coming weeks, CSG is working with Rec Sports and Financial Aid to provide subsidized Group-X Passes for students. Group-X passes allow for students to participate in exercise and other fitness classes in Rec Sports per-semester. CSG recognizes the importance of physical fitness to holistic student well-being, and hope these passes function as a way to eliminate a financial barrier to student participation in these activities.



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- **CSG Commissions and Task-Forces:**
  - CSG authorized the creation of seven commissions and task-forces which will work with student leaders to address various issues on campus. The commissions and task-forces include: The Campus Affordability Task Force, Mental Health and Campus Wellness Task-Force, DEI Commission, Research and Polling Commission, Academic Affairs Commission, Voter Registration and Outreach Commission, and the Transfer Student Resource Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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Benjamin Gerstein  
President, Central Student Government



**University of Michigan-Dearborn  
Student Government**

**September 2019 Regents' Report**

President Schlissel, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, it is my honor to submit the following report to you on behalf of the new administration at the University of Michigan-Dearborn Student Government (SG). We look forward to involving you in our initiatives and all the ideas we have in store.

***Go Blue Orientation:*** This month the University of Michigan - Dearborn welcomed over seven hundred fifty new students, who were able to meet their Student Representatives and learn how to join our organization during the big Go Blue Orientation event. Student Government provided these students with stress balls to help cope with this new journey in addition to providing information about the great services we have on campus. Many students were interested in being representatives and we see great recruitment coming our way.

***Constitution Day:*** Every year on our campus, we have an annual tradition where the Student Body President hosts the Constitution day town hall to have an open discussion about the relevance of our Constitution today and how it applies to our lives. This year on September 16th, I will be hosting this event alongside Representatives Debbie Dingell and Abdullah Hammoud.

***The Start of Another Chapter:*** With the Fall Semester starting this month, Student Government's first meeting will be held on September 13th. At this meeting I will be introducing our new SG Vice President and Director of International Student Affairs. We have many projects that we will be implementing for students such as free feminine hygiene products and paper straws that will be distributed in the University Center and College of Business for environmental sustainability and more. Student Government also hopes to raise awareness about food insecurity and the student food pantry provided on campus. Finally, we want to work on improving the existing reflection rooms and nurturing rooms on campus.

***The City of Dearborn:*** This year I hope to work with the chancellor on increasing student interest in the City of Dearborn. Student Governments Secretary is in contact with Greenfield Village to try and partner with them to develop a "Student Day." This day will allow students to explore Greenfield Village and all it has to offer.

Thank you,

Sarah Nassar

Student Body President University of Michigan-Dearborn