

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT NEWSLETTER

September 2026

STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT



On August 31st, USG hosted the Student Leadership Summit in the Student Union Ballroom.

This summit served as an opportunity for student leaders and organizations on campus to learn about funding and financial requests, as well as connect with other leaders across campus. USG hosted a total of 45 student attendees with representation across 19 organizations!



UPCOMING EVENTS

USG Fall Retreat

- 10/16 from 4:00-6:00pm

ZAB Mocktails

- 10/12 from 7:00-9:00pm

Make a Difference Day

- 10/24 from 9:00am-12:00pm

RHC SAMS Rock Alike

- 10/26 at 8:00pm

Town Hall

- 11/10 from 4:00-6:00pm

USG UPDATES

Legislative Branch (LB)

- On September 3rd, USG had the honor to hear from guest speaker, General Council member, Mia Yaniko. There, she discussed the First Amendment and its effects on open expression across campus. She focused on the public's right to freedom of expression and freedom of speech on Akron's campus.
- In September, the branch also started to prepare for the addition of two First-Year Senators and interviewed candidates for the roles of a College of Business Senator and Senator for International Students.

Historical Records

- Exactly 10 years ago, in September 2016, USG's Senate voted to approve Taylor Bennington's EO 06-16-17 to reinstate the Executive Branch's Diversity Committee. This is still an active committee today!
- In the 2021-2022 academic year, USG would nominate and vote on a Member of the Month! 5 years ago, in September 2021, Director of Events Marina Tsirambidis was unanimously voted to be the USG Member of the Month!

Judicial Branch (JB)

- The Judicial Branch has been working diligently on the upcoming First-Year Senator elections!
- In the start of the semester, members were tasked with coming up with their own personal projects that fulfill the pillars of the Judicial Branch, which are Parliamentaryism, Advocacy, Elections, and Records Keeping.
- The branch has also been working with the SOURCe Office to approve the constitutions of several new student organizations!



Committees

A.P.S.S. Committee

- Working on a joint project with S.E. Committee, Outdoor Courts Project, Video Series Project, and Knight Chemical Project

F.A.S.T. Committee

- Planning to help with Disability Awareness Week
- Collaborating with Records Coordinator Geib to create student resource page
- Updating campus map

S.E. Committee

- Planning a Homecoming Parade
- Attempting to open composting program
- Troubleshooting digital residents hall keys
- Planning ways to help First-Year Senators adjust to USG

Executive Branch (EB)

The Communications Team

- Opened the Marketing Request Form
- Began creating ideas for Social Media as a team

The Finance Team

- Presented at the Student Leadership Summit on funding requests for student organizations
- Approving student organization funding requests for events across campus
- Presenting the USG budget at Senate

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (D.E.I.) Team

- Planning a Culture Fair to highlight and celebrate different cultures on campus

EB Continued

The Campus and Community Outreach Team

- Began brainstorming events for the upcoming semester

The Project

Coordination Team

- Finalizing plans for upcoming events
- Coordinating with JB for First-Year Senator election

Chief of Staff

- Planning for the Ohio Student Government Summit
- Planning the Fall All-USG Retreat
- Onboarding new members



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Have Feedback For USG?



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