

THE THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Calendar: January 27, 2025

Location: SSB 214 Time: 6:30 PM

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Reading and Approval of the Minutes

- Agenda Minutes of 12/12/24
- Agenda Minutes of 1/13/25

Petitions into the Assembly

Special Introductions and Student Comments

Members of the Student Body are welcome to address the Congress at this time.

Messages from Student Government

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs

Report of Officers

- · Report of the Speaker
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
 - COGS Financial Report, Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as of January 24th, 2025
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Communications
- · Report of the Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Advocacy

Advisor Announcements

Committee Report

- Internal Affairs
- Student Advocacy

- Student Affairs
- Budget
- Strategic Planning

Funding Requests

- Bill #7: AGSA Funding Bill
- Bill #8: (L)iteratures and Linguistics (In)terdisciplinary (C)onference for Graduate Students (LINC)
- Bill #9: Clinical Psychology Diversity Committee
- Bill #10: Art History Association

Unfinished Business

New Business

- Resolution 2: AGSA Off-Campus Waiver
- Resolution 3: MAAPPA House of Rock Off-Campus Waiver

Round Table

Closing Announcements

Adjournment



THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Assembly Meeting December 2, 2024 6:30pm Agenda

Call to Order: 6:35pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Ridwan

Roll Call:

Absent excused:
Absent unexcused:

Reading and approval of the Minutes: Jamilaia approved 2nd lauren strickland Petitions into the Assembly:

- Evelyn Furuya A&S Seat 4
 - The last time the petitioner was interested in internal affairs and wanted to serve for advocacy, as a women scholar wishing to dive into sexual miscount, they wanted to join the committee to figure out how to bridge this passion into cogs.
- Diego Fermin At-Large 6
 - The main goal is continuing advocacy and running it with strategic planning.
 Looking forward to working with all colleges and agencies. Ready to answer any questions if they have any
- Nichika Holdrum Med Seat 1
 - hopes to help bridge the gap between MSC, always been interested in student government
- George Fahmy Med Seat 2
 - really excited to be here today, really excited to learn about the process of COGS , interested in student advocacy.

Questions

- Were all candidates available every other monday?
 - All said yes

Cooments:

Laua: very excited to see evelyn and diego back and ready to see nichika and george and

seeing what they do

Ridwan: i agree with laura

Maddison: i believe in the nichika and have seen then do amazing stuff

Motion to call to question: Lauren

seconded: Ashley

Vote:

Evelyn- 21-0-0 Diego: 21-0-0 Nichika: 21-0-0 George: 21-0-0

Ridwan swears in the petitioners

Special Introductions and Student Comments:

madilyn seigel: In the interest of time, I do not want to keep you all here all night; I'd like to go fast and serve as chair of the law school council like MSC. I am excited to be back because I was a member of the 32nd Congress, the 32nd Congress gave us; the past fall was so busy we had a lot of growth. We have bolstered our board; thank you, Jack, because he has been helping us make the LSC become a whole entity. We have grown a lot; this past semester, we have served 34 rso, which was a 13% increase. The budget cuts were abundant. We are planning on serving 40 rso. We are planning to serve 34 of them. We hope to reconcile these funding deficiencies; we want to ensure our RSO are not being finically punished. That is all I have for you. Here is my contact information if you have any questions, and I will still be here to answer any questions you might have

Messages from Student Government:

isabella and jonus goldstien: increase relation between senate and cogs and wanting to make sure that we their support

carson dale: saying hello and introducing themselves and if anyone wants to collaborate more than happy to do so.

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs: N/A Report of Officers:

Report of the Speaker: pretty brief, welcoming our two new members tonight. When it comes to getting ready for winter, we are asking that the first week of break we are asking to make sure getting prepared for. Thank you for selecting to sit on the selection committees. I have not received many updates since the last meeting. First, on Monday, we will not be meeting; we will be meeting on Jan 13th , and then the next meeting will be on the 27th. Today, committees need to find a time to meet beforehand.
Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance: I am excited for the people on the budget committee. Be sure to look out for emails from me. If you are interested the vice chair position, please reach out.

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Report of the Deputy Speaker for Communications: none
Report of the Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs: none
Report of the Deputy Speaker for Advocacy: hello, I am very excited to be here
Advisor Announcements: There is not much to say. For the meetings, we will be meeting in SSB in rooms 2201 and 2203; other than that, to our new and returning members, and congrats to the people with the elections.

Committee Introductions and Reports:

Internal Affairs:			
Student Advocacy:			

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Funding Requests:

Bill # 2: Iranian Student Association

- We are trying to organize 130 estimated guests to celebrate Yalda Night, or Shab-e Yalda, an ancient Persian festival celebrating the longest night of the year, marking the winter solstice. Rooted in Iranian culture and Zoroastrian traditions, Yalda symbolizes the triumph of light over darkness and the renewal of life. Families and friends gather to share stories, recite poetry, especially from Hafez, and enjoy traditional foods such as pomegranates, watermelons, and nuts, representing health, prosperity, and the promise of brighter days. The vibrant celebration is filled with warmth, laughter, and cultural rituals that honor the connection between nature and humanity. It is a night of unity, joy, and reflection, welcoming the gradual return of longer days and the hope they bring. The event will be advertised through Instagram, Facebook, and flyers. There will be no fees charged. There are eighty active members. The Yalda Night Celebration aims to enhance knowledge about the history and traditions of Yalda Night, an ancient festival. Gather students, faculty, staff, and the Tallahassee community for cultural exchange and understanding. The majority of the money will be used for catering. It's a cool theme, and the history behind it is essential. It will be a great event to attend.
 - Q and A: what is the account of the assorted drinks:
 - Pro: Ridwan: this is not the first time we have had bills from this organization, and they are making us proud, so we should support them
 - Diego: the restaurant is a local business, and I think that is a great detail they have made sure to incorporate
 - Call to question Laura second Lauren.
 - Motion to call to question:
 - yes-22
 - No-0
 - Abstain-3
 - Closing comments: I think it is an excellent opportunity to share the culture and gives them notoriety
 - Vote on the bill
 - yes: 24
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 1

Bill # 3: Music Theory Society

- Briana- asked to pay their speaker. It is online and completely virtual, with about 50 people attending and 25 active members. Advertised to undergrad music classes dis, tribute flyers, and put on their Facebook group page. They are welcoming a professor as their keynote speaker.
 - o Q and A- None
 - o Pro: Desean, their keynote speaker, is prevalent in music theory.
 - Jamila call to question second by Diego
 - Closing comment: I think it is a very reasonable amount to pay for their time. Their organization does not ask for dues and asks for this money out of necessity.
 - o Vote:

Yes: 24No:0Yes:1

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Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Standing Committee Leadership Elections

Internal affairs: will meet on monday alternatively of cogs

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Advocacy: will meet at 6:30Outreach: wil be meeting at 7

Select Committee Membership Approval motion to approval taylor 2nd shezin

Select Committee Vice Chair Elections

Bill # 4: Law School Council Unallocated

- Eden- 1Ls wanting to be involved, and this would help them with job prospects.
- q and a: Diego- is this a one-time occur or will this be happening in the future, and do you have budget constraints to make sure that this might not happen again
- Representative: I do not want to say this will never happen again; this is a
 one-and-done for the fiscal year, and it is. Rarely am I here asking for
 money. Bylaws and procedures are being made currently and will be
 addressed this year. When you serve this many, it is hard to make sure
 that nothing slips through the cracks.
- motion to extend the time for questions Ashley 2nd Laura
- pro

- Jared: This is a reasonable request. We have the money to make it happen. I think this will significantly help serve LSC.
- Diego, this will help us streamline our structures and ensure that we can serve our spaces equally.
- con: none
- motion to call to question: Diego
- 2nd Ashley
- closing comments: none
- vote:
- Yes:21
- No:0
- Abstain: 4

Bill # 5: Allocating LSC Funds for the Spring 2025 Semester

- Ashley: We are ranked #2 in quality of life across the nation, and the organizations from the FSU law school are the reason for this.
- q and a: n/a
- pro: Laura: all kudos to jumping on our plan of allocating the budget
 - Jake is an I1 at a different school, so anything we can do to help them is excellent.
- con: n/a
- Call to question: Desean 2nd Lauren.
- Closing comment: None
- Vote:
 - Yes:21
 - No:0
 - Abstain: 4

Round Table: None

Closing Announcements: GSRC fueling for finals event will be happening soon so

please make sure to come out and support

Adjournment: 8:12pm

Next Meeting: January 13, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. SSB 201-203

COGS Financial Report, Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as of December 2nd, 2024

ACCOUNT	ALLOCATION AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AVAILABLE
UNALLOCATED	\$51,942	For RSO funding requests at COGS meetings	\$34,186
LSC	\$100,000	Funding allocations from Law School Council to Law School Student Organizations	\$94,546
MSC	\$110,000	Funding allocations from Medical School Council to Medical School Student Organizations	\$106,657
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Jul-Oct)	\$100,000	Presentation Grant balance for the July-October funding period	\$21,507

PRESENTATION GRANTS (Nov-Feb)	\$100,000	Presentation Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$38,077
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Mar-Jun)	\$100,000	Presentation Grant balance for the March-June funding period	\$100,000
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Jul-Oct)	\$24,000	Attendance Grant balance for the July-October funding period	\$12,378
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Nov-Feb)	\$24,000	Attendance Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$15,363
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Mar-Jun)	\$24,000	Attendance Grant balance for he March-June funding period	\$24,000

Standing Committee Assignments

33rd COGS Committee Roster					
Internal Affairs		Advocacy		Outreach	
Chair		Chair		Chair	
Vice Chair		Vice Chair		Vice Chair	
	Ridwan Balogun		Jamila Alleyne		Jake Aboulhosn
	Jared Bethke		Jayda Craig		Shahin Alam
	Madeleine Guerra		Francis Ebuara		Noah Baez
(if approved)	Nichika Holdrum		Zeke Greenwood		Bryanna Chau
	Steven Mederev		Shezin Hussain		Isabella Daniels
	Jack Rowan		Isiah Maxey		Ashley Judson
	Taylor Torres		Madison McCraney		Lauren Strickland
	Eden Punch		Sima Sabbagh		Laura Vaughn
			DaSean Stokes		
			Angelique Tran		
		(if approved)	Diego Fermin		
		(if approved)	Evelyn Furuya		

Speaker's Appointments to Select Committees

33rd COGS Select Committee Roster					
	Budget	Strategic Planning			
Chair Jared Bethke		Chair (if approved)	Diego Fermin		
Vice Chair		Vice Chair			
10	Jake Aboulhosn	11	Jamila Alleyne		
Shahin Alam Noah Baez			Isabella Daniels		
			Shezin Hussain		
	Francis Eburra		Jack Rowan		
	Madeleine Guerra		DaSean Stokes		
	Ashley Judson		Lauren Strickland		
	Eden Punch		Taylor Torres		
Jack Rowan Laura Vaughn			Angelique Tran		
			Zeke Greenwood		
		(if approved)	Evelyn Furuya		



Bill #: 2

Sponsored by: Jayda Craig **Date:** December 2nd, 2024

Amount: \$2292

From: COGS Unallocated

To: Iranian Student Association

Name of Event: Yalda Ceremony (Shab-e Yalda) Location of Event: SSB 201/203, Student Union Date(s) of Event: Jan 11th, 2025 (Thursday)

Time(s) of Event: 6pm-10pm Estimated Attendance: 130

Purpose & Description: Yalda Night, or Shab-e Yalda, is an ancient Persian festival that celebrates the longest night of the year, marking the winter solstice. Rooted in Iranian culture and Zoroastrian traditions, Yalda symbolizes the triumph of light over darkness and the renewal of life. Families and friends gather to share stories, recite poetry, especially from Hafez, and enjoy traditional foods such as pomegranates, watermelons, and nuts, which represent health, prosperity, and the promise of brighter days. The vibrant celebration is filled with warmth, laughter, and cultural rituals that honor the connection between nature and humanity. It is a night of unity, joy, and reflection, welcoming the gradual return of longer days and the hope they bring. The event will be advertised through Instagram, Facebook, and flyers. There will be no fees charged. There are eighty active members.

The Yalda Night Celebration aims to:

- · Educate: Enhance knowledge about the history and traditions of Yalda Night, an ancient festival.
- · Unite: Gather students, faculty, staff, and the Tallahassee community for cultural exchange and understanding.
- · Showcase Art: Display rich artistic expressions through music, dance, and poetry.
- · Build Community: Strengthen bonds among Iranian students and those interested in Iranian culture.

 \cdot Celebrate Key Themes: Emphasize the themes of light, friendship, and gratitude, central to Yalda Night.

This celebration is more than just an event; it's a journey into the heart of a culture, an educational experience, and a vibrant social gathering, all wrapped in one memorable night

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
2	Pineapples	\$5.53
20	Zephyrhills Natural Florida Spring Water	\$1.97
15	Pomegranate	\$3.69
3	Lipton Black Tea Bag	\$3.14
1	One Dozen Premium Red Roses	\$17.69
4	Publix Deli Fresh Fruit Platte Medium Serves 16-20	\$36.69
3	Toll House Semi Sweet Morsels	\$10.79
4	Seedless watermelon	\$12.19
5	Publix Bakery Cream Cheese Iced Vanilla Cupcakes,	\$6.63
5	Publix Bakery Assorted Cookies	\$5.87
5	GreenWise Muffins, Blueberry, Mini	\$7.19
5	Publix Apricots, Dried	\$6.97
10	Gourmet Nut Power Up Premium Trail Mix, Mega Omega	\$7.75
2	Publix Paper Plates	\$8.85
3	Publix Napkins	\$3.65
120	Chicken Skewers	\$3.95
140	Lamb Skewers	\$4.45
8	10 lb Yellow Rice Tray	\$35.00
8	10 lb Grilled Vegetables Tray	\$30.00
1	5 lb Homemade Hummus Tray	\$35.00
4	10 lb Warmed Pita Tray	\$20.00
6	5 lb Tzatziki Sauce Tray	\$20.00
2	10 lb Pico Salad Tray	\$35.00
8	20 ct Assorted Drinks	\$8.00

Total:

\$2,291.71 Vendor Dollar (\$) Publix 603.6, Kebabas Catering: 1,688.10

Total 2291.71



Bill #: 3

Sponsored by: Bryanna Chau

Date: December 2nd, 2024

Amount: \$1,500

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): Music Theory Society at FSU

Purpose & Description: The Music Theory Forum is a graduate-student led music theory conference hosted by the Music Theory Society at FSU. The conference hosts scholars from around North America and serves as a platform for new research in the field. This year, they're excited to welcome Prof. Vivian Luong (University of Oklahoma) as their keynote speaker. The conference will take place entirely online, with the keynote speaker and presenters delivering their papers using Zoom. The purpose of this event is multifaceted. This conference serves as essential practical experience for their RSO members who plan, organize, and execute this conference, in the process developing skills they will need while they continue to work in the field of music theory. Additionally, this conference is a recruiting tool for their graduate programs in music theory since many of the presenters and attendees of the conference will have already applied to these programs and use this event as an opportunity to continue to get to know the FSU community.

There are currently 20 active members, but they are expecting 50 people to attend. The Music Theory Society does not charge dues, and the event is free and open to all FSU and non-FSU students. To advertise to FSU students, they will announce the conference to our undergraduate music students in our classes. They will also distribute flyers around the College of music. To advertise to non-FSU students, they will use the resources of the Society for Music Theory. The Society for Music Theory is the national organization for music theorists in North America, and they can advertise our conference using their e-mailing list and the "Events" tab of their website. With these resources, they can reach many graduate music theory students who would be interested in submitting a proposal to or attending their conference. They also maintain

a Word Press website which hosts the call for proposals and conference details, as well as a Facebook page.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
1	Contractual Service (speaker Honorarium)	\$1,500

Total: \$1,500



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Outlook

Fwd: Invitation to speak at Florida State Music Theory Forum

From FSU Music Theory Society <fsumts.forum@gmail.com>

Date Thu 11/14/2024 3:11 PM

Hayden Harper hharper@fsu.edu; Brittney Pflanz bep23@fsu.edu; Cameron Gwynn <cg23g@fsu.edu>; Jasmine Becerra <jlb23g@fsu.edu>

Hi Hayden,

I'm forwarding the email thread between the MTS Forum Co-Chairs and Dr. Luong. If there is anything else you need to get the COGS funding worked out, please let me know!

Best,

Brittney Pflanz

----- Forwarded message -----

From: FSU Music Theory Society < fsumts.forum@gmail.com >

Date: Thu, Jul 25, 2024 at 11:16 AM

Subject: Re: Invitation to speak at Florida State Music Theory Forum

To: Luong, Vivian W. < vivian.luong@ou.edu>

Hi Dr. Luong,

Awesome, thank you so much for being flexible! We'll reach back out near the start of the fall semester to start the paperwork for your honorarium.

Best,

Cameron and Brittney

On Mon, Jul 22, 2024 at 3:34 PM Luong, Vivian W. <vivian.luong@ou.edu> wrote: Dear Cameron and Brittney,

No worries! March 1st works for me too.

Take care, Vivian

Vivian Luong (she/her)

Assistant Professor of Music Theory School of Music University of Oklahoma

email: vivian.luong@ou.edu

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CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

11/14/24, 8:54 PM

Mail - Hayden Harper - Outlook

My name is Cameron Gwynn. Brittney Pflanz and I are the co-chairs of the 2025 Music Theory Forum at Florida State University. We are writing to you on behalf of the members of the Music Theory Society at FSU to ask if you would be willing to be one of the keynote speakers at our Music Theory Forum conference, held virtually on February 22, 2025. The 2024 Forum was virtual, and we were fortunate to have a wide range of presentations thanks to the accessibility of online conferences, so we hope this year's Forum will be similar in scope. On that Saturday, selected participants will present their papers in the morning and early afternoon; the keynote address, which is usually about an hour in length, will conclude the conference. We would like to inquire about your willingness to give a keynote presentation on your research.

We would be delighted for you to speak at our event. Based on last year's funding, we can offer \$1500.00 as an honorarium to show our appreciation for your time, work, and expertise. While the keynote presentation is the only obligation, we would also like to inquire about the possibility of you joining us for a virtual Music Theory Society Colloquium the Friday afternoon before the conference. This would likely be a graduate student-only meeting in which we would have an open discussion with you, but we can decide the format and topic more specifically if you agree. I know your perspectives would be incredibly helpful for my colleagues and I, and we would be very appreciative if you would consider joining us for this event as well.

Please let us know before July 22nd, 2024 if you are willing to be our keynote speaker, and please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions, including scheduling. Thank you for considering our offer.

All the best,

Cameron Gwynn and Brittney Pflanz



Bill #: 4

Sponsored by: Rep. Punch

Date: December 2nd, 2024

Amount: \$5,000.00

From: Congress of Graduate Students Unallocated

To: Law School Council Unallocated

Purpose & Description: To round out the LSC Budget

The Law School Council (LSC) seeks additional funding to enhance its budget, which supports the diverse range of Registered Student Organizations (RSOs) at the FSU College of Law. With the growing number of RSOs projected to approach 40 this Spring 2025, LSC requests additional funding in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). FSU Law recently added the Italian American Law Student Association for the upcoming semester and plans to welcome the National Lawyers Guild and the American Constitutional Society. During COGS Budget Week, LSC obtained funding for FY 24-25 with approximately 35 RSOs in mind but now serves these additional RSOs. LSC believes that these RSOs should be offered the same access to funding as our veteran RSOs and wishes to address any funding gaps that operate as a bar to creating new and innovative student coalitions. FSU Law's active RSOs play a vital role in students' educational experiences, offering invaluable insights into various legal career paths and providing real-world job opportunities through networking. LSC operates on the principles of integrity, efficiency, and transparency, ensuring that all RSOs receive equitable financial support. By securing additional funding, LSC would be able to continue fostering a vibrant culture at FSU Law and, in turn, contribute to the success of FSU Law students and FSU's graduate student body as a whole.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
1	Expense	\$5,000.00

Total: \$5,000.0



Bill #: 5

Sponsored by: Ashley Judson

Date: December 2nd, 2024

Purpose and Description: Allocating LSC Funds for the Spring 2025 Semester

Be it enacted by the Thirty-Third Congress of Graduate Students:

Section 1: The Congress finds that the process by which the Law School Council (LSC) can hear all budget requests for an entire semester and create a budget that takes all of the needs of the College of Law is a positive step in ensuring fiscal transparency and accountability in a deeply important funding board.

Section 2: The Congress acknowledges that this bill pertains only to Spring 2025 semester allocations, which do not include emergency funding allocations and disbursements made on a case-by-case basis outside of this instant process.

Section 3: The Congress hereby approves the following allocations from the Law School Council for the Spring 2025 semester to the following organizations in the following categories:

LSC Budget Spring 2025							
	Allocation: \$49,898.82						
Organization Cont. Expense Food Clothing & Awards				Total			
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LSC Administration	Cont. Serv	Expense	Food	Clothing & Awards	Total		
LSC Expense							
			\$500.00		\$500.00		
LSC Unallocated							
		\$1,408.65			\$1,408.65		

LSC Administration Total	\$0.00	\$1,408.65	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$1,908.65
LSC Student Organizations	Cont. Serv	Expense	Food	Clothing & Awards	Total
Asian Pacific American Law Student Association (APALSA)		\$15.48	\$889.01		\$904.49
Association for Criminal Justice (ACJ)			\$1,184.70		\$1,184.70
Black Law Students Association (BLSA)		\$150.00	\$1,787.62		\$1,937.62
Business Law Society (BLS)			\$1,179.68		\$1,179.68
Christian Legal Society (CLS)		\$65.00	\$928.26		\$993.26
Cuban American Bar Association (CABA)			\$1,177.17		\$1,177.17
Election Law Society			\$565.34		\$565.34
Entertainment, Arts, and Sports Law Society (EASL)	\$2,145.14		\$675.63		\$2,820.77
Environmental Law Society		\$250.75	\$968.07		\$1,218.82
Federal Bar Association at FSU			\$809.97		\$809.97
Federalist Society			\$966.33		\$966.33
Health Law Society (HLS)			\$650.46		\$650.46
Hispanic Law Students Association (HLSA)			\$1,709.69		\$1,709.69

International Law		I	I	I	1 1
Students					
Association					
(ILSA)			\$1,133.34		\$1,133.34
Italian American					
Law Student					
Association					
(IALSA)		\$23.33	\$931.18		\$954.51
Jewish Law					
Students					
Association			400000		
(JLSA)			\$360.00		\$360.00
Journal of Land					
Use and					
Environmental			¢542.44		¢542.44
Law (JLUEL) Law Review			\$543.44		\$543.44
Law Review			¢500.96		¢500.96
Law Students			\$590.86		\$590.86
Practicing					
Wellness (LSPW)		\$500.00	\$1101.52		\$1,601.52
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Law Association					
(MELA)			\$1,455.50		\$1,455.50
OUTLaw					
			\$456.85		\$456.85
Public Interest					
Law Students					
Association					
(PILSA)			\$1,301.43		\$1,301.43
Real Property,					
Probate, & Trust					
Law Society at					
FSU (RPPTL)			\$920.49		\$920.49
Student Bar					
Association (SBA)		\$14,281.25			\$14,281.25
Transfer Student					
Organization	#0F 00		0045.70		040.70
(TSO)	\$65.00		\$245.73		\$310.73
Women's Law					
Symposium		\$300.00	¢2 590 45		¢3 990 45
(WLS) LSC Student		φ300.00	\$3,580.45		\$3,880.45
Organizations					
<u>Organizations</u> Total	\$2,210.14	\$15,585.81	\$26,112.72	\$0.00	\$43,908.67
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LSC Competition	Cont.	Expense	Food	Clothing	Total
Teams	Serv			& Awards	
Moot Court					
			\$1,090.00		\$1,090.00
Trial Team					
		\$350.79	\$2,640.71		\$2,991.50
LSC Competition					
<u>Teams Total</u>	\$0.00	\$350.79	\$3,730.71	\$0.00	\$4,081.50
Total					
	\$2,210.14	\$17,345.25	\$30,343.43	\$0.00	\$49,898.82

THE THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 13, 2025 at 6:30 PM Location: SSB 214

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Reading and Approval of the Minutes

Petitions into the Assembly

- Islamiyat Ojelade Arts and Sciences, Seat 5
 - 2022-2023 financial coordinator for African students; has roles with academic rigor and black chemist, ta in chem and chemical engineering; has seen the hardships of graduate students and does their best to address those concerns. Their goal is to advocate for graduate students and to increase graduate resources. They want to ensure they are mentally, physically, and emotionally alright. wants to join IA because they believe it plays a critical role in the rules of COGS. Wants to make sure it is transparent and focused on the goals of IA

questions Are you available every Monday at 6:30 pm? Asked Jared Bethke, and their answer was yes.

Anyone speaking in debate Francis -> thinks she is a good fit and passionate about what they are doing, and there should be congratulations on filling all the seats in the college.

Laura -> seems to have a lot of passion and is well-connected in their college. Laura thinks she can make a good partner for COGS

Ridwan-> always seen the passion in what the candidate has done; commends for joining IA since it is not common for the adjunct to join IA

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Special Introductions and Student Comments

none

Messages from Student Government

none

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs none

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Report of Officers

- · Report of the Speaker
 - Hello everyone I hope that everyone is doing well and having a wonderful break. I just wanted to announce that we do have an article soon on FSU News.
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
 - Welcome New Year budget is picking up this Wednesday at 4:30 for a budget meeting that will be sent out with a Zoom link discussing Cogs grants and how they are distributed. If anyone has insincere, please reach out so we can make a very informed decision. We are meeting with large organizations to discuss how we support them and to continue to help them. If you have any ideas, please reach out no bad ideas, they should be brought up in these conversations. Surveys to RSO will be sent in February, and when they can complete budget requests, presentations will be late or early March. March 31st is a special session for the budget. March has five Mondays, and because of the timing, it makes sense for a special session. Depending on the amount of debate and questions, it will last 45 minutes to 1 hour. transparent process and wants people to reach out and look to see what we can do as a student body
 - COGS Financial Report, Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as of January 9th, 2025

Report of the Deputy Speaker for Communications

- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
 - 1.) Concerning vacant seats, I will be working with noah and asking people to reach out to other friends to reach with cogs
 - 2.) IA will be working on COGS Codes and will
 - 3.) Please update your financial certification ends and when to take the test
 - 4.) For attendance, please reach out to make sure that you let it be known if you can not miss the meetings

Feb 1st is the date for the spring retreat. GAU will be there to ensure they have a successful bargain in April. The time will be 1-6

- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Advocacy
 - nothing yet becuase they have not met

Advisor Announcements

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Committee Report

- Internal Affairs Chair Medarev
 - no updates first meeting next Tuesday 6pm
- Student Advocacy Chair Hussain
 - havent met yet; first meeting will be jan 21st 7pm
- · Outreach Chair Strickland
 - we have met and discussed some of the meeting challenges met and we will meet next Feb 10th
- Budget Chair Bethke
 - nothing new from what was already disucced
- Strategic Planning Chair Fermin
 - Email soon about when to meet for a weekly meeting. one drive folder to make documents be in one place

Funding Requests

- Bill #29: MSC Budget
 - Allocations from the Medical School Council are authorized to the following student organizations in the following amounts:

Georgoe's opening statement will amend this bill, using 6200 initially from the RSO, 90000 had budget cuts, limited food and t-shirts, and engaging PA growth in RSO and sub-committee growth. bill was used to make sure that there was professional development

any questions Laura: why was there 85 cent George: That's what we are amending

pro: none con: none

amend:(input what was different from the bill) saw that there were

inaccuracies second DeSean

questions-> Jared asked where is the money discrepancy coming from. and she answered it came from what they saw when redoing the math +83

pro on amendment- does a nice job that there was a catch of the disperency con on amendment c call to question Lauren second Laura in favor- 19 yes no-0 abstention-0 the bill as amended pro-none bill as amnded con-none call to questions: Ridwan second: Lauren closing statement: thank you, we appreciate it. The RSO gives us the skills that we do not gain from classes, specifically Bill 29 as amended-19 opposed-0 obtain-0

passed as amended Steven waived round table second by Francis round table is waved.

Unfinished Business

■ None

New Business

■ None

Round Table

■ None

Closing Announcements

desean- senidng on saturday if they move on to the next round laura- dissertation defense date- feb 27th 1:15pm

Speaker: We hope that everyone has a wonderful day and we will be meeting in SSB

Deputy Speaker for Communications: Thank you all for your patience I had just gotten the COGS Deputy speaker access, so I apologize for all the struggles. I would also like to speak to all chairs and vice chairs after the meeting to discuss group pictures for revealing on our instagram

<u>Adjournment</u>

728 jan 27th 6pm

■ We adjourn at 7:28pm and will be meeting in SSB on Jan 27th 6pm

COGS Financial Report, Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as of January 24th, 2025 *Leftover funds from the previous conference funding periods were transferred to current period.

ACCOUNT	ALLOCATION AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AVAILABLE
UNALLOCATED	\$51,942	For RSO funding requests at COGS meetings	\$25,394
LSC	\$105,000	Funding allocations from Law School Council to Law School Student Organizations	\$5,073
MSC	\$110,000	Funding allocations from Medical School Council to Medical School Student Organizations	\$0
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Jul-Oct)	\$78,248*	Presentation Grant balance for the July-October funding period	\$238
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Nov-Feb)	\$121,752*	Presentation Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$38,924
PRESENTATION GRANTS (Mar-Jun)	\$100,000	Presentation Grant balance for the March-June funding period	\$100,000
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Jul-Oct)	\$11,619	Attendance Grant balance for the July-October funding period	\$18
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Nov-Feb)	\$36,380*	Attendance Grant balance for the November-February funding period	\$26,137
ATTENDANCE GRANTS (Mar-Jun)	\$24,000	Attendance Grant balance for the March-June funding period	\$24,000



Bill #: Do not fill.

Sponsored by: Rep. Francis Ebuara

Date: January 27, 2025.

Amount: \$4,859.96

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): African Graduate Students Association (AGSA)

Purpose & Description:

The African Graduate Students Association (AGSA) at FSU is a group that promotes a greater understanding of African cultures across the FSU campus and the Tallahassee community. The organization celebrates and promotes African culture, values, and traditions through various events and activities. The organization, being one of the largest RSOs on campus welcome over 50 new graduate students every year.

This year, like in previous years, AGSA is organizing an end-of-semester beach gathering at St. George Island Beach. This end-of-semester beach get-together is a valuable opportunity to strengthen the AGSA community and promote the well-being of its members. They expect at least 50 people to attend this event and they're therefore requesting funding support from COGS.

The requested amount will cover for four (4) major items namely; food and drinks, bus rental, making customized shirts and awards as further itemized below:

Itemized Expenditures:

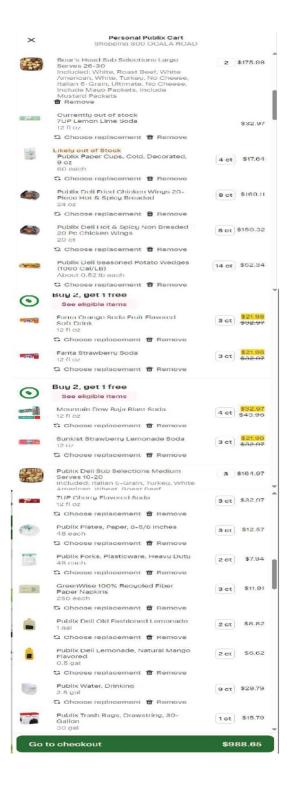
Quantity	Description	Unit Price
1	Food and drinks	\$988.65
2	Transportation	\$2,985
3	AGSA customized shirts	\$775.80
4	Executive Board Awards	\$110.51

Total: \$4,859.96

PRICE QUOTES AND INVOICES

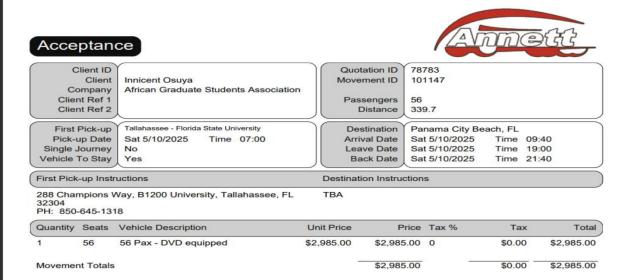


1. Food quote from Publix





2. Bus rental quote from Annett Bus Lines





3. Customized shirt quote from clothesline

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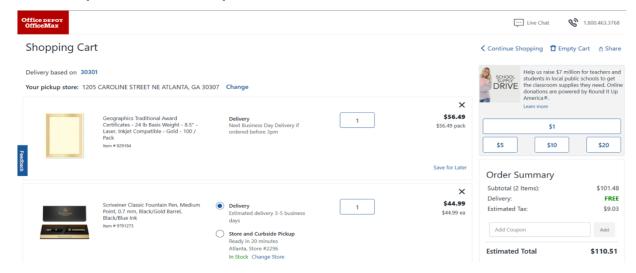
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4. Award quote from office depot





Bill #: Do not fill.

Sponsored by: George Fahmy

Date: 01/27/2025

Amount: \$1,580.00

From (account name): COGS Unallocated.

To (account name): (L)iteratures and Linguistics (In)terdisciplinary (C)onference for Graduate

Students (LINC)

Purpose & Description: This year, the LINC organizing committee, the only RSO which allows for graduate student collaborations across language programs within the Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics, looks forward to hosting our two-day graduate student conference in 2025 with the theme 'Fluidity and Musicality'. The program will feature one internal keynote speaker, Dr. Martin Munro (MLL), and one external keynote speaker, Dr. Karen Evans-Romaine (traveling from University of Wisconsin-Madison), along with a curated selection of presentations and panels from undergraduate students, graduate students and non-affiliated scholars from (institutions) across the United States. The event has a total of 25 unique presenters. It will be held in Bradley Reading Room on Thursday (3-6PM), Friday (10AM-6PM).

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price	
1	Publix: Paper Cups, 60 cups (Food)	\$4.41	
1	Publix: Large Bakery Platter (Food)	\$42.99	
1	Publix: Large assorted Mini Croissant Platter (Food)	\$20.99	
3	Publix: 2.5-gallon Publix Spring Water Jug (Food)	\$3.87	
	Travel Cost: \$1000.00		
1	Honorarium: \$500.00	\$1,5000.00	
	(Contractual Services)		

Total: \$1,580.00



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Bill #: Do not fill.

Sponsored by: Isabella Daniels

Date: 01/27/2024

Amount: \$1949.74.

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): Clinical Psychology Diversity Committee

Purpose & Description:

The Diverse Speaker Series is a clinical science colloquium in which an invited speaker presents their work in clinical psychology. Specifically, speakers whose research and clinical interests involve discussions of cultural humility and psychotherapy with marginalized or traditionally underrepresented groups in psychology. The Clinical Psychology Diversity Committee will host Dr. Caroline Silva for this event. Dr. Silva's presentation will focus on integrating the Interpersonal Theory of Suicide with cultural determinants of health to inform the development and evaluation of suicide prevention interventions for at-risk youth. The event will be open to non-members of the organization, and they expect an attendance of around 30. The event will occur on Friday, April 18th, from 9:00 am- 4:00 pm at the FSU Psychology building. It will be advertised through emails in the department, flyers in the building, and announcements in graduate psychology courses.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	ty Description	
1	Contractual Service – Speaker Fee	\$1500
1	Catering Services – Panera	\$449.74

Total: \$1949.74.

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Qty	Description	Item Price	Amount
1	Cafe Blend Light Roast Coffee Tote	\$21.19	\$21.19
2	Cafe Blend Dark Roast Coffee Tote	\$21.19	\$42.38
1	Dozen & a Half Bagels	\$16.99	\$16.99
	(3) Plain Bagel		
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	(3) Asiago Bagel		
	(3) Cinnamon Crunch Bagel		
	(3) Cinnamon Swirl & Raisin Bagel		
	(3) Multigrain Bagel Flat		
	(1) All Sliced in Half		
1	Baker's Dozen Bagels	\$13.49	\$13.49
	(2) Plain Bagel		
	(2) Sesame Bagel		
	(3) Asiago Bagel		
	(2) Cinnamon Crunch Bagel		
	(2) Cinnamon Swirl & Raisin Bagel		
	(2) Multigrain Bagel Flat		
	(1) All Sliced in Half		
4	Plain Cream Cheese Spread Tub	\$3.69	\$14.76
3	Mac & Cheese	\$24.99	\$74.97
	(1) Chips - Pack of 4		
4	Cold Assorted Sandwiches	\$66.49	\$265.96
	(1) Bacon Turkey Bravo®		
	(1) Tomato Basil BLT		
	(1) Mediterranean Veggie		
	(1) Turkey & Cheddar Sandwich		
	(1) Grilled Chicken & Avo BLT		
	(5) Chips		

Subtotal: \$449.74 Tax: \$31.46

Total: \$481.20

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Bill #: Do not fill.

Sponsored by: Fermin

Date: January 27th, 2025

Amount: \$1,050.00

From (account name): COGS Unallocated

To (account name): Art History Association

Purpose & Description: The Art History Association requests funding for their annual symposium. The symposium consists of presentations, networking events, and a keynote speaker, all of which provide graduate students with an opportunity to develop and expand their connection to art history, and meet with researchers and alumni to further their academic and professional knowledge. These funds will be used to cover the cost of the symposium dinner.

The symposium will be advertised via physical and digital means through posters in high-traffic areas for students most likely to be interested in the program. Information will also be distributed via emails and newsletters to various majors and programs associated with art history. The event is open to all students, and there is no cost associated with membership to AHA or attendance to the event.

Itemized Expenditures:

Quantity	Description	Unit Price
60	Fixed Price Per-Person Catering – Assortment	\$17.50

Total: \$1,050.00



Resolution

33rd Congress of Graduate Students

Resolution #:

Sponsored by: Rep. Francis Ebuara

Date: January 27, 2025

Whereas the African Graduate Students Association (AGSA) wishes to hold an end-of-year celebration at St. George Island on May 10, 2025, and

Whereas the celebration will include free transportation for students willing to attend, and

Whereas the event aligns with the mission of AGSA, which includes wishing to build community and foster cultural exchange at FSU, and

Whereas the event is occurring off-campus and requires the approval of the Assembly as per COGS Code § 201.6, therefore

Be it resolved by the Thirty-Third Congress of Graduate Students: That AGSA is authorized, pursuant to COGS Code § 201.6, to hold their end-of-semester celebration on May 10, 2025, at St. George Island, and

Be it further resolved: That the Congress wishes AGSA and its students the best of luck as they host this event, and

Be it finally resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to:

Jack Rowan, Speaker, Laurel McKinney, SG&A Business Manager, Andy Johnson, SG&A Program Director, and Innocent Osuya, AGSA President.



Resolution

33rd Congress of Graduate Students

Resolution #:

Sponsored by: Jared Bethke

Date: January 27th, 2025

Whereas the Masters of Applied American Politics and Policy Association (MAAPPA) wishes to hold a kickoff event for the Spring semester and the coming Florida legislative session, and

Whereas the event is to be held on Friday February 21, 2025, at 7:00pm at The SV Lounge, and

Whereas the event will include complimentary hors d'oeuvres for attendees and feature a band, House of Rock, who will provide live music for the event, and

Whereas the event aligns with the mission of MAAPPA, which is made up of students interested and involved in state and local government, and

Whereas the event is occurring off-campus and requires the approval of the Assembly as per COGS Code § 201.6, therefore

Be it resolved by the Thirty-Third Congress of Graduate Students: That MAAPPA is authorized, pursuant to COGS Code § 201.6, to hold their session kickoff event on February 21, 2025, at The SV Lounge, and

Be it further resolved: That the Congress wishes MAAPPA and its students the best of luck as they host this event and participate in the upcoming legislative session, and

Be it finally resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to:

Jack Rowan, Speaker, Laurel McKinney, SG&A Business Manager, Andy Johnson, SG&A Program Director, and Jason Puwalski, MAAPPA President.