Undergraduate Student Government

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Regan Smock  
Undergraduate Student Body President

- BS Sociology  
  • Minors in Anthropology and Spanish
- Coggon, IA
- Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates Fellow and Research Assistant in Department of Sociology and Criminology
- Before serving as the USG President, I served for two years as the Director of Academic Affairs!

José Muñiz Jr.  
Undergraduate Student Body Vice President

- Majoring in Social Justice  
  • Minor in Latino/a/x Studies  
  • Critical Cultural Competence Certificate
- Muscatine, IA
- Currently serve as a Resident Assistant in Catlett
- This is my first year in Student Government, but I joined USG in order to strengthen the relationship between USG and underrepresented communities on the university's campus.
Our student government is structured similarly to our federal government, with three branches:

- Executives work on high level projects and serve as an ex-officio non-voting member on one of our 9 committees.
- Our senators are assigned to two committees and work on projects from the platform or that they are passionate about.
- Senators are elected and appointed, depending on their role.
Our Role

Official voice of undergraduate students among administrators and lawmakers

- USG works to build relationships and share students' concerns with leaders inside and outside of our University
- We also work on projects in conjunction with offices all over campus

Student Activity Fee

- Each year, all undergraduate and graduate students pay a $72 Student Activity Fee.
- Undergraduate Student Government uses the undergraduate portion of this fee to fund student organizations, student services, and campus initiatives.
Our Priorities

- Mental health support
  - Improving services for BIPOC, LGBTQ+, and other underserved students
  - Including language around mental health in our University absence policies
    - Advocating at state level to receive more appropriations for mental health support
    - Supporting UCS staff and improving mental health services for faculty, staff, and students
- Shifting student services
  - Investment in Airport Shuttle Service from relevant offices around campus
    - Working with Parking and Transportation and other on campus staff to improve this service. Right now, it only serves students, but faculty and staff who need to travel have no shuttle service.
- Lots of individual initiatives that might include staff needs and support! Our platform for the year can be found here:
  - [https://iowa.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/uisg/EdMBhU1rl9HjSY6BagB1B1ByK4FXYJ2NBV8vXoфаNmQ?e=jPY69h](https://iowa.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/uisg/EdMBhU1rl9HjSY6BagB1B1ByK4FXYJ2NBV8vXoфаNmQ?e=jPY69h)