

Status: **Recommended with Modifications**

Financial Officer: Griffin Bovee

APPLICATION SUMMARY

Application Summary	Budgeted	Requested	Recommend	Approved	Petitioned	Elected
APPLICATION TOTALS	\$(28,706.01)	\$28,706.01	\$25,577.66			
Undergraduate Special Fees		\$28,706.01	\$25,577.66			
6560 - Event Food	\$(846.47)	\$846.47	\$645.63			
7710 - Travel Fares	\$(10,811.91)	\$10,811.91	\$7,884.40			
7730 - Car / Van Rental	\$(3,657.06)	\$3,657.06	\$3,657.06			
7740 - Accomodations	\$(8,854.10)	\$8,854.10	\$8,854.10			
7820 - Registration Expense	\$(4,536.47)	\$4,536.47	\$4,536.47			
[All Expense Total]	\$(28,706.01)					

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Have you applied for Special Fees in the past 3 years? If so, please detail the outcome of each attempt.

Yes

Special Fees 2015-2016: \$26,784

Special Fees 2016-2017: \$26,799

Special Fees 2017-2018: \$27,359

If you applied for Special Fees last year, is there an increase in the amount you're seeking this year? If so, why?

The annual grant for 2018-2019 is expected to provide SIAS the majority of its funding for the Model United Nations' 39;s teams 5-6 yearly conferences. Though there is a projected shortfall of 1,706.57 dollars, we believe that a 5% increase in our annual grant funding from 2017-2018 levels (\$27,359.30 to \$28,706.01) will provide us with enough revenue to attend at least five conferences. We will find supplementary funding from other on-campus sources--namely we expect additional revenue from our Stanford Model United Nations Conference for high schoolers.

Please define the services provided by your group with the Special Fee, as per the ASSU Constitution:

Through Special Fee's SIAS develops programs to engage and educate the University and broader communities about international affairs and global citizenship.

With special fees, SIAS also manages a travel team composed of Society members who shall compete and represent the Society and the University at Model United Nations conferences in the United States.

Though special fees do not help fund SMUNC, SIAS puts on a MUN conference for high schoolers that usually funds itself.

What are the three largest line item requests in your budget and why?

1. Travel Fare: because some of our conferences are on the East Coast or far Southern California and plane tickets are not necessarily cheap.
2. Accommodation: housing 5-20 delegates for 5 conferences can be challenging. Usually we keep four people to a room (depending on the hotel), but even still costs mount, especially since many conferences are in cities where the cost of living is enormous.
3. Registration Expenses: each conference typically requires a delegation fee of \$80-100, as well as a per delegate fee of \$80-100. Depending on the conference, this fee ranges from \$600-over \$1,000.

What is the average attendance at your events?

It depends on the Model United Nations (MUN) conference. About 15-20 students attend TrojanMUN each year, 8-10 students attend East Coast conferences, and anywhere from 5-12 students attend LAMUN or UCBMUN.

How do you plan to publicize your events/programs to the greater Stanford community? Have you registered with Events at Stanford?

Yes we have registered with Events at Stanford, we also have a large network of subscribers to our general list, and regularly co-sponsor events with other groups on campus. In the past we have been able to secure support in publicizing events from these co-sponsors.

If you are an umbrella group, please list the groups for which you are applying for Special Fees, their ASSU account numbers, and contact information for their financial officers.

We are an umbrella group, but SIAS is the sole manager of the budgets for both the Model United Nations Team budget and Stanford Model United Nations Conference.

Please list all:1) assets, 2) reserves, 3) authorized and unauthorized non-ASSU bank accounts, 4) sources of funding other than Special

- 1) current assets: \$91,104.15
- 2) reserves: \$23,939.58
- 3) banking is done through SSE Capital Group
- 4) Stanford Model United Nations Conference (SMUNC), FSI student group grants

What events/programs does your group hold throughout the year for the Stanford Community?

Besides sending students to MUN conferences, SIAS also regularly hosts guest speakers, holds current discussion events, and puts on trivia nights. SIAS also hosts the Stanford Model United Nations Conference for high schools which attracts numerous high schoolers from around the Bay Area and California each year and provides undergraduate staffers the chance to help high schoolers experience MUN.

Why are you requesting Special Fees?

Simply put, MUN members would probably not be able to attend a single conference if not for ASSU special fees. This annual grant provides multiple students the chance to interact with other college and university students across the U.S. and discuss and debate issues of great significance. This is all thanks to ASSU special fees, which provide funding for team members to travel to and from conferences, housing and accommodations, as well as registration costs and some food costs.

BUDGET DETAIL

		Budgeted	Requested	Recommen	Approved	Petitioned	Elected
Non Event-Specific		\$(28,706.01)	\$28,706.01	\$25,577.66			
		Budgeted	Requested	Recommen	Approved	Petitioned	Elected
6560	<i>Provides funds for MUN members to have one team dinner per conferences as well as for general SIAS events that require food--speaker lunches or dinners, trivia nights.</i>	\$(846.47)	\$846.47	\$645.63			
Event Food (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)							
7710	<i>Provides funds for MUN members to fly to and from conferences that are not within a reasonable or convenient driving distance from Stanford's campus--East Coast and occasionally Southern California conferences (depending on rates).</i>	\$(10,811.91)	\$10,811.91	\$7,884.40			
Travel Fares (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)							
7730	<i>Provides funds for MUN members to travel to and from conferences, hotels, airports, and Stanford's campus by public transportation, rental cars and vans, and taxis (uber and similar ride-share companies included).</i>	\$(3,657.06)	\$3,657.06	\$3,657.06			
Car / Van Rental (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)							
7740	<i>Provides funds for housing or hotel expenses for MUN members while at MUN conferences on the West or East Coasts.</i>	\$(8,854.10)	\$8,854.10	\$8,854.10			
Accommodations (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)							
7820	<i>Provides funds for the cost of delegation and delegate registration fees for MUN conferences.</i>	\$(4,536.47)	\$4,536.47	\$4,536.47			
Registration Expense (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)							
APPLICATION TOTALS		\$(28,706.01)	\$28,706.01	\$25,577.66			

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Account		Balance
2-6323-1-0-2800	SOC FOR INTL AFFAIRS AT STAN (formerly SMUN)	\$37,150.11
2-6323-1-0-2801	SIAS CONFERENCE - CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$0.00
2-6323-1-0-2805	SIAS CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT	\$10,000.00
2-6323-2-5-6560	SIAS SPEC FEE EVENT FOOD	\$686.83
2-6323-2-5-7710	SIAS SPEC FEE TRAVEL FARES	\$6,947.67
2-6323-2-5-7730	SIAS SPEC FEE CAR/VAN RENTAL	\$2,826.00
2-6323-2-5-7740	SIAS SPEC FEE ACCOMODATIONS	\$4,068.68
2-6323-2-5-7820	SIAS SPEC FEE REGISTRATION EXP	\$3,067.00
2-6323-9-0-2820	SOC FOR INT'L AFFAIRS RESERVE	\$23,939.58