

Funding Application: Undergraduate Senate [AGU-000139]

Student Organization Society for International Affairs at Stanford	Program Title Society for International Affairs at Stanford	Start Date 25-JAN-2019	End Date 25-JAN-2020
Academic Year 2019-2020 Academic Year	Grant Type Annual		

Funding Line(s)

Line #	Account	Line Description	Funding Manager Notes	Event Name	Event Date	Requested Amount	Recommended Amount	Approved Amount
1	01-6323-30-2990 (Annual Grants - Travel - VSO)	Car / Van Rental -> Provides funds for MUN members to travel to and from conferences/hotel/airport/Stanford campus by public transportation, rental cars/vans, taxis (Uber/Lyft included)		UCBMUN, SCSY, TrojanMUN, LAMUN, HarvardMUN, AggieMUN		\$1,572.89	\$1,572.89	\$1,572.89
2	01-6323-30-2990 (Annual Grants - Travel - VSO)	Accommodation -> Provides funds for housing or hotel expenses for MUN members while at MUN conferences on the West or East Coasts.		UCBMUN, SCSY, TrojanMUN, LAMUN, HarvardMUN, AggieMUN		\$9,357.29	\$9,357.29	\$9,357.29
3	01-6323-30-2980 (Annual Grants - Registration & Tickets - VSO)	Registration Fee -> Provides funds for the cost of delegation and delegate registration fees for MUN conferences		UCBMUN, SCSY, TrojanMUN, LAMUN, HarvardMUN, AggieMUN		\$6,428.00	\$6,428.00	\$6,428.00
4	01-6323-30-2990 (Annual Grants - Travel - VSO)	Air Fare -> Provides funds for MUN members to fly to and from conferences that are not within a reasonable or convenient driving distance from Stanford's		UCBMUN, SCSY, TrojanMUN, LAMUN, HarvardMUN, AggieMUN		\$9,445.93	\$9,445.93	\$9,445.93

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		campus--East Coast and occasionally Southern California conferences						

	Requested	Recommended
Totals	\$26,804.11	\$26,804.11
Final Allocation		\$26,804.11

Questions

Question	Answer
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.
Why are you requesting Annual Grants?	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 with 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.
What are the three largest line item requests in your budget and why?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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.
Have you applied for Annual Grants in the past 3 years? If so, please detail the outcome of each attempt.	<p>Yes</p> <p>Special Fees 2016-2017: \$26,799</p> <p>Special Fees 2017-2018: \$27,359</p>

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	Special Fees 2018-2019: \$25577.66
Please provide four contacts for your group (two must be graduates if also applying for Graduate Annual grants). These individuals should be prepared to be called by the Undergraduate Senate or the GSC during the evaluation of the group. Please list their name, title in organization, school/degree program, e-mail, and phone.	Ben Gardner-Gill, President, History 2019, gardnerb@stanford.edu, 6504175806 Emily Bishko, Vice President, International Relations 2020, ebishko@stanford.edu, 4048624547 Ngoc Vo, Financial Officer, Economics 2021, hnngocvo@stanford.edu, 3523466334 Matt Linker, Model United Nations Team Co-Captain, Computer Science 2019, mslinker@stanford.edu, 2063835537
How do you plan to publicize your events/programs to the greater Stanford community? Have you registered with Events at Stanford?	We publicize our on-campus events through our mailing lists, the largest of which has over 800 members, or about an eighth of the undergraduate student body. We publicize potential positions on our team and our conference leadership through these lists as well. We have registered events at Stanford before, ranging from small speaker events to our annual high school Model United Nations Conference. Every student has an opportunity to join these mailing lists at activities fairs or by contacting a current club member at any point. Additionally, our events and membership are open to the entire Stanford community.
If you are an umbrella group, please list the groups for which you are applying for Annual grants, 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 Nation Team budget and Stanford Model United Nations Conference.
Please define the services provided by your group with the Special Fee, as per the ASSU Constitution:	Through Special Fees, 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.
Are you also applying for Graduate Annual Grants?	No
If you applied for Annual Grants last year, is there an increase in the amount you're seeking this year? If so, why?	The annual grant for 2019-2020 is expected to provide SIAS with the majority of its funding for the Model United Nation teams 5-6 yearly conferences. Though there is a projected shortfall of 56,609 dollars, we believe that a 4.8% increase in our annual grant funding from 2018-2019 levels (\$25577.66 to \$26,804.11) 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.

History

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