



Central Student Government

Constitutional Amendment 15-001

Ensuring Representation for Part-Time Students

Resolution Information

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Long title	A Procedural Constitutional Amendment to Create a Part-Time Student Ex-officio Representative in the Central Student Government Assembly.
Author Summary	This Constitutional Amendment will ensure part-time student representation in the CSG Assembly by creating a Part-Time Student Ex-officio position. Part-time students face unique challenges related to access, inclusion, and support at the University of Michigan and deserve a representative dedicated to advocating for their perspectives and needs.

Assembly Information (to be completed by the Speaker)

Requirements	Reading in two separate meetings; simple majority vote; Presidential approval.
Committees	RULES

Committee Information (to be completed by the respective Committee Chairs)

Committee (if applicable)	Passed For First Reads (Y/N; Initials)	Passed For Second Reads (Y/N; Initials)
Rules	Y: RK	Y: RK
Finance		
Communications		
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Attest

Devin William Woodruff, Rackham
Speaker of the Assembly

Delegation Vote

10 YES

6 DID NOT VOTE

June 5 2025

Presidential Approval

Eric Veal Jr., LSA
President



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Section 1.

The Central Student Government Assembly finds and declares all of the following:

WHEREAS,

Although part-time students often spend more years enrolled at universities than their full-time peers, their perspectives are frequently overlooked; AND,

WHEREAS,

Part-time students are often left out of campus programming, underrepresented in leadership roles, and do not always have access to the same resources that are made for full-time student; AND,

WHEREAS,

In the fall of 2021, there were approximately 18.6 million students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs at degree-granting institutions across the United States, with 15.4 million of them being undergraduates and 3.2 million being post baccalaureate graduate students¹; AND,

WHEREAS,

Of those undergraduate students, 10.8 million were enrolled at 4-year institutions and 4.7 million were at 2-year institutions, with 73 percent of 4-year students attending full-time and 27 percent attending part-time, and 65 percent of 2-year students attending part-time²; AND,

WHEREAS,

Among the 3.2 million graduate students, 57 percent attended full-time and 43 percent attended part-time, showing that part-time enrollment is a significant reality across all levels of higher education³; AND,

WHEREAS,

At the University of Michigan, total enrollment in Fall 2023 across undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs was 52,065 students, with 48,167 of those students enrolled full-time⁴; AND,

WHEREAS,

As of Fall 2023, the University of Michigan had a total of 3,898 part-time students, including 1,385 undergraduate students, 2,513 graduate students, and 1,113 doctoral students, making up just over 8% of the overall student population⁵; AND,

WHEREAS,

¹ [Characteristics of Postsecondary Students](#)

² [Characteristics of Postsecondary Students](#)

³ [Characteristics of Postsecondary Students](#)

⁴ [Enrollment by Academic Level at the University of Michigan](#)

⁵ [Enrollment by Academic Level at the University of Michigan](#)



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Despite the presence on campus, part-time students remain underserved in conversations about student needs, representation, and efforts to foster community; AND,

WHEREAS,

Establishing a part-time student ex-officio position ensures that part-time students will continuously have a voice in CSG and a representative who is committed to addressing their concerns, advocating for their needs, providing their perspectives, and amplifying their voices.

Section 2.

THEREFORE it is, by the Students of the University of Michigan, through Central Student Government:

RESOLVED,

This Amendment is proposed to students in the November 2025 Fall election in the form of the following question, where the text “an amendment” will hyperlink to the text contained in Appendix A; AND,

The CSG Assembly has requested your approval on an amendment to the All-Campus Constitution. This is what the proposed amendment would do:

1. Add an additional ex-officio seat onto the Assembly of the Central Student Government that must be filled by a Part-Time Undergraduate, Graduate, or Doctoral Student.

Do you support these changes to the All-Campus Constitution? Y/N

AND FINALLY RESOLVED,

That, should the amendment be adopted, the Constitution’s text be modified in accordance with Appendix A.



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Appendix A:

Article II The Central Legislature

SECTION 1. THE LEGISLATURE. The Central Student Government Legislative Branch consists of an Assembly and a University Council.

SECTION 2. THE ASSEMBLY. The Assembly is composed of 45 voting representatives elected from among the students every year according to the degree-granting units defined by the Board of Regents. These seats are apportioned between the units by enrollment using the Huntington-Hill method, with enrollments determined by the average of the most recent Winter Term and Fall Term, and each unit receiving at least one representative. Each representative has one vote in the Assembly.

There are ~~eight~~ ~~nine~~ non-voting representatives of the Assembly. These representatives are: one first-year undergraduate student, one first-year graduate student, one non-traditional student, one international student, one transfer student, one student who is Pell-Grant-eligible or who would be so eligible based on the Expected Family Contribution listed on their Federal Application For Student Aid Student Aid Report, one student who advocates for disability-related issues, ~~and~~ one out-of-state undergraduate student, ~~and one part-time student advocate~~. These representatives are selected by a method determined by the Assembly.