

14th Student Association Senate

Bill Number: 2020-05-24-02

Introduced by: Senator Salmeron-Perla (2022)

**Co-Sponsored by: Senator Bazail-Eimil (2023), Senator Flores (2022), Senator Lipka (2023)
Senator Wakilzada (2023), Senator Negrete-Retamales (2023), Senator Wang (2022)**

Georgetown University Student Association

In the school year 2019-2020

**A RESOLUTION in SOLIDARITY with the International Students of Georgetown
During the COVID-19 University Closure and Reopening Planning [\[Linked here\]](#)**

WHEREAS, the transition to a virtual learning environment has created greater hardships for international students who attend Georgetown University;

WHEREAS, international students already faced unique challenges due to the lack of permanent residence and an extensive support system in the United States;

WHEREAS, many international students find themselves in time zones that fully prohibit attending early morning or afternoon classes, forced to rely on recorded lectures for class instruction and unable to utilize office hours;

WHEREAS, international students face substantial financial hardships due to crashing economies and plummeting exchange rates;

THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Georgetown University Student Association Senate as follows:

1. SIGNS ON the petition prepared by the International Students of Georgetown and extends this support as a stance of the Association as a whole.
2. DEMANDS that the University include international students into discussions and working groups about the fall and other University responses to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - a. **The University enact a dual system to allow students to opt into synchronous or asynchronous learning.**

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- b. The University recognize the additional logistical burdens, immigration challenges, and other difficulties international students face and enact policies to better support them.**

Certification

We hereby certify that the foregoing legislation was duly considered by the Senate at a meeting at which a quorum was present and that the same was approved by a voice vote this 24th day of May, 2020. Should this bill not see a signature nor a veto from the President, it shall automatically go into effect the 5th of June, 2020.

Daniella Sanchez
Speaker

Vice Speaker

I hereby sign this legislation into law.

President of the Student Association

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Petitioners