

75th Senate

Winter Session



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A Bill to Revise Eligibility Criteria for A.S. Funding of S.E.A.L. Student Groups

A resolution, brought by **Senator Aryaman Singh** and joined by **Senator Noura Elkhatib** to adjust the eligibility timeline for SEAL Student Groups, allowing them to apply for an account number after five academic weeks of official recognition, thereby improving access to resources and funding.

WHEREAS S.E.A.L. (Student Engagement and Leadership) Student Groups (also known as Registered Campus Organizations) are vital to fostering engagement, diversity, and creativity within the campus community; and

WHEREAS The current policy delays the assignment of account numbers to newly recognized SEAL Student Groups until one full academic quarter after their official recognition; and,

WHEREAS This policy creates undue delays in access to essential resources for new student groups, thereby hindering their ability to organize events, access funding, and fully participate in campus activities in a timely manner; and,

WHEREAS Adjusting the timeline to provide account numbers five academic weeks after official recognition ensures a more efficient process and empowers student groups to achieve their goals without unnecessary administrative delays; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Associated Students in the 75th Senate assembled, that the Associated Students hereby:

1. Direct A.S. U.C.S.B. staff to make SEAL Student Groups eligible to apply for an account number after they have been officially recognized for five academic weeks.
2. Commit to monitoring the policy's effectiveness and recommending revisions as necessary to better serve the needs of the campus community.
3. Encourage transparency and communication from A.S. U.C.S.B. staff regarding the status of account number assignments to eliminate any confusion or uncertainty for new student groups.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by Associated Students in the 75th Senate assembled, the following clause will go into effect in the Financial Policies and Procedures under ***Section II, Clause 1, Subsection A)***

CLAUSE 1. OFFICIAL REGISTRATION

A) In order to apply for A.S. funding, the applicant must be an official A.S. organization, an official University unit, or a student group that has been registered through Shoreline. Organizations registered through Shoreline will be referred to as Student Engagement & Leadership organizations, hereinafter referred to as SEAL/OSL organizations.

a. If registered through Shoreline, the organization must be officially registered for ~~one full academic quarter, starting from the quarter following the group's official registration through Shoreline, before funding can be approved.~~ at least five academic weeks, which may rollover into the subsequent quarter if necessary, before funding can be approved.

b. The organization must also be re-registered for each new academic year in order to continue receiving funds.

c. The organization must be in good standing with the office of Student Engagement & Leadership.

d. If the organization does not fulfill all of the above requirements, it will not receive funding through A.S..