

By-Law Code and Name

Code: 2017.2018.013.EAC

Name: Establishment of the External Affairs Committee

Reason for By-Law

This By-Law creates the External Affairs Committee. The purpose of this committee is to monitor the local, state, and national governments for legislation and other actions that may impact Graduate Students or higher education in general. To that end, they will be responsible for organizing official GSC responses to these issues. They will also be responsible for ensuring university officials are aware of the position of Graduate Students and the GSC on these issues.

By-Law Language

Section I: External Affairs Committee

- 1: This By-Law creates a committee known as the "External Affairs Committee".
- 2: By-Laws submitted by this committee shall be marked with the code "EAC".
- 3: This committee shall take efforts to identify legislation, policies, and actions taken by local, state, or national government that are relevant to Graduate Students and higher education in general.
- 4: This committee shall draft official position statements on identified issues and send them to relevant persons including but not limited to politicians and media outlets.
- 5: When necessary, this committee shall organize other responses to government legislation, policies, and actions.
- 6: This committee should organize meeting with local, state, and national politicians to advocate for graduate student welfare.
- 7: When needed, this committee shall organize meetings with university officials to discuss Graduate Student positions on government legislation, policy, and actions.
- 8: The Director of National Legislative Advocacy will coordinate all advocacy efforts of the External

Affair Committee on national legislation and policies.

- 9: Director of State Legislative Advocacy will coordinate all advocacy efforts of the External Affair Committee on state legislation and policies. They will aid the External Affairs Officer in planning and implementing State Legislative Action Training and Days.

Section II: Duration of this By-Law

- 1: This By-Law shall remain in effect indefinitely or until a future By-Law explicitly replaces this By-Law.