

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXVI

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 15, 2026

Dale Hall, Room 103

Call to Order

Opening Roll Call

Mission Statement: The mission of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Undergraduate Student Congress is to represent the interests of undergraduate students in their pursuit of academic and individual achievement. The Undergraduate Student Congress is committed to building a strong campus community, promoting civic engagement, and enhancing the quality of the undergraduate experience at the University of Oklahoma.

Moment of Silence: 20 Second Moment of Silence to allow an opportunity for reflection.

Approval of Minutes | September 8, 2026

Officer Reports

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- **Vice Chair's Report**
- **Secretary's Report:**

Committee Reports

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- **External Affairs:**
- **Human Diversity:**
- **Sustainability:**
- **University Policy:**
- **Ways and Means:**

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

- President Mercer Martin—Mental Health Week

Student Concerns

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

- CB-116-05 "Session CXVI General Application Appointment Act" (Toyos Perez) (No Rec)
- CR-116-01 "Honoring the 2026 NCAA National Champions University of Oklahoma Women's Gymnastics Team" (Martin/Nicholson/Christiansen/Powers) (Due Pass)
- CR-116-02 "Honoring the 2026 NCAA National Champions University of Oklahoma Men's Baseball Team" (Martin/Nicholson/Christiansen/Powers) (Due Pass)
- CR-116-03 "National Voter Registration Day Resolution" (Sneller) (Due Pass)

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- CR-116-04 “National Suicide Prevention Month Resolution Act” (Radzanowski) (Due Pass)

Follow-Up Reports

Announcements and Comments

Final Roll Call

Adjourn

Chair: Coleman Morgan

Vice Chair: Owen Cunningham

Secretary: Cai Le

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September 15th, 2026

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-116-05

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure appointing
Representatives and Associates in the SGA Undergraduate
Student Congress; providing short title; and providing
an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS:

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Session CXVI General Application Appointment Act.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to select new Associates and Representatives pursuant to the SGA Congressional Bylaws, Section 3.2.3(a).

Section 3: APPOINTMENT: The following individuals are hereby appointed as Associates in the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress:

- Maximilian Frehde
- Jumeirah Newaz
- Lilith Thompson
- Julia Yurchenko
- Angel Martinez
- Ben Gula
- Rahma Ahmad
- Jaxson Vella
- Alex Roman
- Ember Duffy
- Fathiyah Ayodele
- Bailey McMillin
- Aysel Samadi
- Aaron John
- Olivia Andrews
- Allie Smith
- Blake Lee Green
- Jope Iluyomade
- Ailina McAdaragh
- Ben Cox
- Omar Serje
- Philip Joseph

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- Zandel Tramel
- Bennett Morris
- Serenity Stanton
- Ellie Johnson
- Christian Loper
- Regina Cadena
- Grier Determan
- Ammar Pasha
- Sadie Duffield
- KB Beck
- Nikolas White
- Mackenzie Foster
- Mattie Huffman
- Quentin Hubner
- Amber Broussard
- Ali Rizvi
- Miley Winter
- LeAnna Branham
- Bridget Stein
- Layla Broeker
- Maddy McMillin
- Lucy Perez
- Drew Kenney
- Emma Seager
- Georgia Pierce
- Elle Cummings
- Jayden Southerland

Section 4: APPOINTMENT: The following individuals are hereby appointed as Representatives in the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress:

- **Arts & Sciences District**
Jayden Bass
Sam Bregnard
Lizzie Grounds
Sitara Popal
Madilynn Sneller
Zayd Taariq
Carson Veenestra
- **Business District**
Kross Brown
Lungiselwe Dlamini

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- **Engineering District**
Finn Altaf
Olivia Matlock
Josh Sterling
Hannah Voyles
- **Journalism and Mass Communication District**
Sara Robinson
Gianna Zwanziger
- **Pre-Health Sciences District**
Anabelle Castillo
Julie Vo

Section 5: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Alexandra Toyos Perez, Congressional Administration Committee Chair

Co-Author(s): Owen Cunningham, Congress Vice Chair
Cai Le, Congress Secretary

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GFXX/GSXX

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-116-01

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution honoring the 2026 NCAA National Champions University of Oklahoma Women's Gymnastics team and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The OU Women's Gymnastics team demonstrated excellence in competition, in the classroom, and throughout the University community; and
- Whereas: The OU Women's Gymnastics team finished the 2026 season with a record of thirty-five wins, one loss, and one tie; and
- Whereas: The OU Women's Gymnastics team completed conference competition with a perfect 8-0 record and captured its second consecutive Southeastern Conference regular-season championship and first outright SEC title; and
- Whereas: The OU Women's Gymnastics team posted a score of 198.1625 in the NCAA championship final, defeating LSU, Florida, and Minnesota to claim the 2026 national championship; and
- Whereas: Whereas: The 2026 championship was the eighth national championship in program history, the team's second consecutive national championship, and its fourth national championship in five years; and
- Whereas: Whereas: The OU Women's Gymnastics team advanced to the NCAA championship final for the twelfth time in thirteen years and captured its sixteenth consecutive NCAA regional championship; and
- Whereas: Whereas: Eight members of the team combined to earn fifteen All-America honors, while Faith Torrez captured the all-around title and Keira Wells captured the vault title, marking the twenty-third and twenty-fourth individual national championships in program history; and
- Whereas: All eighteen members of the 2026 OU Women's Gymnastics team earned Women's Collegiate Gymnastics Association Scholastic All-America honors, and the team achieved a 3.77 grade-point average for the 2025-26 academic year; and

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Whereas: Whereas: The accomplishments of the OU Women’s Gymnastics team inspired pride and enthusiasm among students, alumni, and members of the University of Oklahoma community; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE, CONCURRING THEREIN THAT:

Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Honoring the 2026 National Champion OU Women’s Gymnastic Team.”

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association congratulates the 2026 OU Womens Gymnastic Team for winning the 2026 national championship and demonstrating excellence on and off the mat.

Section 3: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- K.J. Kindler, OU Women’s Gymnastics Head Coach
- All members of the 2025-26 OU Women’s Gymnastic Team
- Roger Denny, OU Director of Athletics
- Joe Castiglione, OU Director of Athletics Emeritus
- Joseph Harroz Jr, OU President
- OU Daily
- OU Nightly

Author(s): Mercer Martin, SGA President
Josephine Nicholson, SGA Vice President
Henry Christiansen, SGA Chief of Staff
Harry Powers, Campus Activities Council Chair

Co-Author(s): Coleman Morgan, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair
Summer Edwards, Graduate Student Senate Chair

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Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GFXF/GSXX
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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-116-02
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXF-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution honoring the 2026 NCAA
National Champions University of Oklahoma Men's
Baseball Team; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The OU Baseball team demonstrated excellence, perseverance, and determination throughout the 2026 season; and
- Whereas: The OU Baseball team finished the season with a record of forty-three wins and twenty-three losses, including eleven wins and two losses during the NCAA postseason; and
- Whereas: The OU Baseball team earned nine victories over nationally seeded opponents during its championship run, the most by any team since national seeding began in 1999; and
- Whereas: The OU Baseball team defeated North Carolina in Games 1 and 3 of the Men's College World Series championship series by scores of 9-3 and 13-2, respectively, to win the series two games to one; and
- Whereas: The OU Baseball team captured the third national championship in program history, joining the championship teams of 1951 and 1994; and
- Whereas: Jaxon Willits was named the Most Outstanding Player of the 2026 Men's College World Series after recording a school-record thirteen hits during the College World Series; and
- Whereas: Head Coach Skip Johnson was named the 2026 National Coach of the Year by the American Baseball Coaches Association after leading the Sooners to the national championship; and
- Whereas: The accomplishments of the OU Baseball team inspired pride and enthusiasm among students, alumni, and members of the University of Oklahoma community; and

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Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Honoring the 2026 National Champion OU Baseball Team.”

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association congratulates the 2026 OU Baseball team for winning the 2026 national championship and demonstrating excellence on and off the field.

Section 3: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Skip Johnson, OU Baseball Head Coach
- All members of the 2025-26 OU Baseball Team
- Roger Denny, OU Director of Athletics
- Joe Castiglione, OU Director of Athletics Emeritus
- Joseph Harroz Jr, OU President
- OU Daily
- OU Nightly

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-116-03

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Resolution acknowledging
the importance and recognition
of National Voter Registration Day;
and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The right to vote serves as the foundation of our democratic republic, enabling citizens to actively participate in shaping their local, state, and national governance; and
- Whereas: National Voter Registration Day was established in 2012 as a national nonpartisan civic holiday to mobilize thousands of organizations, volunteers, and election officials to ensure every eligible citizen has the opportunity to register to vote; and
- Whereas: Since its inception in 2012, National Voter Registration Day has helped register more than 6 million Americans to exercise their constitutional right to vote; and ¹
- Whereas: National Voter Registration Day is recognized across the country and endorsed by nonpartisan bodies including the U.S. Election Assistance Commission; and ²
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma hosts nonpartisan civic engagement efforts through initiatives like Oklahoma Votes to encourage student voter education and registration; ³

¹ Library Staff. "Cincinnati & Hamilton County Public Library." *Cincylibrary*, 8 Sept. 2025, <https://chpl.org/blogs/post/national-voter-registration-day/>.

² "2012 Election and Voting Information Survey." *US Election Assistance Commission*, Sept. 2013, https://www.eac.gov/sites/default/files/eac_assets/1/6/2012ElectionAdministrationandVoterSurvey.pdf.

³ Voting Social Media. "Voting Information." *Ou.Edu*, 2018, <https://www.ou.edu/voting>.

- Whereas: Higher education institutions serve as essential access points for young voters, helping college students navigate residency requirements, address updates, and absentee voting; and

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Whereas: According to official records from the Cleveland County Election Board, Cleveland County maintains over 180,000 registered voters participating in municipal, state, and federal elections; and ⁴

Whereas: Local municipal elections in Norman, Oklahoma, often highlight the need for continuous voter mobilization and civic awareness across all city wards; and

Whereas: Community members, campus student leaders, and civic organizers in Norman work collaboratively on National Voter Registration Day to ensure every eligible resident has the resources needed to make their voice heard; and

Whereas: College student voter participation remains a vital force in national elections, with voter registration among college students reaching 76% in 2024; and

Whereas: College campus voter engagement initiatives across the country helped achieve a 53% overall student voter turnout rate in the 2024 presidential election, demonstrating the significant impact of higher education civic programs. ⁵

⁴ "Voter Registration Statistics | Cleveland County Election Board." *Clevelandcountyelectionboard.Com*, 2026, <https://www.clevelandcountyelectionboard.com/voter-registration-statistics>. Accessed 6 Sept. 2026.

⁵ "More than Half of College Students Voted In 2024." *Tufts.Edu*, 12 Nov. 2025, <https://circle.tufts.edu/latest-research/more-half-college-students-voted-2024>. Accessed 6 Sept. 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the "National Voter Day Resolution of 2026"
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association recognizes September 15th as National Voter Registration Day
- Section 3:** OU SGA encourages the student body to take advantage of National Voter Registration Day to register to vote, update their voter registration details, and learn more about local, state, and federal elections to foster a culture of active civic participation across campus.
- Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- President Joseph Harroz Jr
 - The OU Daily
 - The OU Nightly
 - Oklahoma Votes
 - OU College Democrats
 - OU College Republicans
 - Norman Chamber of Commerce

Author(s): Madilynn Sneller, External Affairs Chair

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Co-Sponsor(s): Kyla Callahan, Business Representative
Sam Bregnard, External Affairs Secretary

Submitted on a motion by:

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Verified by Chair of Congress:

Date:

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-116-04

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Resolution establishing the
month of September as National Suicide Prevention Month
and providing for distribution

- Whereas: September is nationally recognized as Suicide Prevention Month, September 10 is World Suicide Prevention Day, and September 8 is 9-8-8 Day; and
- Whereas: 9-8-8 Day serves to raise awareness for the National Mental Health Hotline and is available as a suicide and crisis lifeline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week¹; and
- Whereas: 3 in 4 people who contact 9-8-8 report receiving the support they need²; and
- Whereas: Suicide is the second leading cause of death for 10-34 year olds with an approximate 11% of college students seriously considering suicide within the last year³; and
- Whereas: 33% of the US population ages 18-25 experienced a mental, behavioral, or emotional health issue within the past year and is a consistent trend over past 5 years³; and
- Whereas: Mental health emergencies regarding thoughts of suicide have disproportionately affected minority communities such as the LGBTQ+ (41%), and teen girls are 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide³; and
- Whereas: American Indian and Alaska Native youth aged 10-24 have the highest rate of suicide of all demographic groups⁴; and
- Whereas: The military and veteran suicide rate is 1.5x higher than the national average, with an average of 22 veterans a day taking their lives⁵; and
- Whereas: Suicide Prevention Month serves as a time to raise awareness for mental health resources, spread hope, take action around ensuring mental health resources are available to all people; and
- Whereas: Suicide Prevention Month also serves as a time to educate ourselves and others on warning signs resources for help for mental health emergencies; and
- Whereas: Out of the Darkness Walks are hosted by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, and Norman's Walk is to be hosted September 27⁶; and

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Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Counseling Center provides mental health services to students for free 24/7 to promote the psychological wellbeing of all students on campus.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “National Suicide Prevention Month Resolution Act”.
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association recognizes the month of September as National Suicide Prevention Month, September 10 as National Suicide Prevention Day, and September 8 as 9-8-8 Day.
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association is committed to promoting the use of mental health resources for all students and ensuring the protection of resources available for students on University campus.
- Section 4:** OU SGA encourages the student body to educate themselves on mental health statistics and resources, participate in local community mental health events, and serve as a resource to those who may be struggling.
- Section 5:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- President Joseph Harroz, University of Oklahoma
 - The OU Daily
 - The OU Nightly
 - Goddard Counseling Center

Author(s): Lorelai Radzanowski, Human Diversity Chair

Co-Author(s): Lilith Thompson, Associate

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

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¹ “Promote National Suicide Prevention Month.” 988 Lifeline. <https://988lifeline.org/promote-national-suicide-prevention-month/>.

² “Suicide Prevention Month.” *National Alliance on Mental Illness*. 2026, <https://www.nami.org/stay-connected/events/awareness-events/suicide-prevention-month/>.

³ “Mental Health and Suicide Statistics.” *The Jed Foundation*. December 2025, <https://jedfoundation.org/mental-health-and-suicide-statistics/>.

⁴ “Suicide Prevention in Indigenous Communities.” *National Alliance on Mental Illness*. 2026, <https://www.nami.org/community-and-culture/indigenous/suicide-prevention-in-indigenous-communities/>.

⁵ “September is Suicide Prevention Month.” *Disabled Veterans National Foundation*. 2023, https://www.dvnf.org/september-suicide-prevention-month-spread-word/?gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=23191593775&gclid=CjwKCAjwqonVBhA4EiwA9wYl3TjpB8AvmuckeYLIJ205Qv7R058CXFD1MJ5jp2IA1H-97rXW9yVYvYwXoCirrMQAvD_BwE.

⁶ “Join the Out of the Darkness Walk in Oklahoma to Support Suicide Prevention.” American Foundation for Suicide Prevention - Oklahoma Chapter. Facebook. 25 Aug 2026, <https://www.facebook.com/AFSPOklahoma/posts/there-is-a-place-for-you-at-the-out-of-the-darkness-walkwhether-youre-walking-to/1374371764814190/>.