

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXIII

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Dale 103

Call to Order- 7:00 pm

Opening Roll Call

SGA Mission Statement: The mission of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association is to support the University's advancement by prioritizing student voices at every degree level; to advocate for the holistic development of each student; and to promote civic engagement and community involvement across campus.

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.

On a motion to approve the minutes Estrada seconded by Burnett

Approval of Minutes | February 11, 2025

Officer Reports -

- **Chair's Report:** Hi everyone, thank you all for joining us on Zoom. I know it's not the most ideal situation, but I really appreciate all of you guys being here. I am going to try to make this as efficient as possible. When you guys make motions or have a question, please use the hand sharing emoji so you just pop up to the top of the zoom and so that there's really not confusion with voices. Election filing is open now. It closes on Friday at 5pm so if you or somebody you know, wants to run for representative seat, now is the time. As a reminder, if you are appointed to a seat in the fall, your seat will expire at the end of this election. So if you would like to remain a representative, you do have to rerun for the spring seat in hopes to get a seat.
- **Vice Chair's Report:** Good evening, y'all! I put this presentation together for you because, well... I might have a bit of a Canva addiction right now. But don't worry, it's got some useful information to help clarify a few things! First things first, I have a QR code for my feedback form. Since I don't send out many emails, this is an easy way to reach me. Just take a picture of it, and you'll have access whenever you need it. The form doesn't track your information, no emails, no names, so you can actually submit feedback multiple times. This is great because maybe one interaction with me meets your expectations, but another time I fall way below what you expect from a Vice Chair. So please, help me help you! Next up is the Constituent Service Point QR code. This links to the same form that Hope sent in the

GroupMe. If you already submitted an opportunity through that, no need to resubmit the same one! I've gotten quite a few questions about what a CSP is and what counts, so let me clarify. A CSP is any activity, event, meeting, or training where you engage with the OU community. Every member is required to earn at least one CSP point per month while Student Congress holds general meetings. If you don't submit one, you'll get an unexcused absence for that month. A quick note, General Body or committee meetings don't count if you're a part of that committee. Now, to boost engagement, here's something new: After you submit your first CSP for an organization you're NOT a part of, you can continue submitting points for organizations you ARE a part of to help increase committee engagement on campus! I know this can be a bit confusing since it's a newer process, so if you have any questions, just let me know! But without further ado... let's see which committee is leading in engagement! So Virtual drum roll, please! The Ways and Means Committee! We still have plenty of time left in the month, and there are lots of opportunities around campus, so it's still anyone's game! That's all I've got for you. Thank you!

- **Secretary's Report:** Hi everyone, I hope you are all staying warm! Just wanted to let everyone know that I have new candy in my office, but I am not going to tell you guys what it is because you will have to come to my office hours to find out...

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** Hey everyone! COSCO met officially this Sunday. We had a great meeting with a guest speaker, and we also saw some legislation. Speaking of which, we gave CB-113-12 a recommendation of due pass. I also wanted to remind everyone that COSCO's light walk will be held this upcoming Sunday on February 23rd at 7:30PM. I will be sending out a reminder and posting the sign-up sheet in the GroupMe.
- **Congressional Administration:** ConAd met unofficially this weekend, so not much to report on except that we were able to go over projects and assign people projects who needed projects. Lastly, I would like to announce that Nicole Estrada is our new Vice Chair of ConAd!
- **External Affairs:** Hi everyone EA, met officially this past Sunday. We did see a piece of legislation, the Goddard survey Act, which we'll see later tonight. We gave that a recommendation of due pass. We talked a little bit about our unhoused project in Norman. We had a conversation about some contacts that we talked to in Norman about the project, which was really exciting, so we got kind of a little bit of development on that. Then we also discussed our spring Q and A forum, which we want to invite people out to center around having a discussion around the minimum wage in Oklahoma. This is still pretty early in its planning, but right now we're thinking of planning that out for early April. Then we also talked about the Higher Education Day rescheduling and what our plans would be for that which I can go into further detail, probably at a later meeting. And then we also just discussed continuing our bar safety project around campus corner.
- **Human Diversity:** HD officially met on Zoom for Sunday's meeting, and we passed the Black History Month resolution which we will be seeing in Congress. Other than that, we've just been following up on projects Language requirements, DEI policies, Involvement Festival, etc and welcomed back some older members of the committee.
- **Sustainability:** Hello everyone. SUSTY met unofficially on Sunday. We discussed implementing our new project tracking system, our vice chair vacancy, and the upcoming trash walk this upcoming Sunday on February 23rd at 2:30pm which will take place around the residence halls. We will meet at the parking lot of Sarkeys Fit & Rec. We also had Chair of COSCO, Syed, join us to present about his ideas for a recently submitted student concern

regarding updating our parking passes to be more informative and less wasteful. So, a few members of SUSTY will be working with him on that.

- **University Policy:** Hello, all! UPOL met officially this weekend and discussed a new project idea relating to the procurement of new resources for students to use - primarily digital resources such as newspaper subscriptions and access to digital journals for research. Our other projects are going as anticipated for the most part - some are now awaiting emails while we have one waiting on an open records request. We will hopefully be seeing legislation this weekend to put out a survey to collect information on student wages. Also, our Vice Chair application is currently open and will close on Thursday at 5:00 p.m.
- **Ways and Means:** Hey everyone! This week WAM met officially and made some progress on our Video Project, our updates to the Finance section of the Code Annotated, and ran some of our new members through what Primary Funding will look like. We also had two workshops over the past two weeks. Primary funding applications will no longer be accepted after this Friday at 11:59PM, so make sure your friends in RSOs are getting their applications in. Thank you!

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

Student Concerns

Items to Be Considered

On a motion to see CB-113-11 Wang seconded by Toyos

- CB-113-11 “OU Goddard Health Care Feedback Survey Act of 2025.” (Carter) (Rec of Due Pass)

Authors Explanation:

So this bill just is establishing the ability for a survey over Goddard to go in the OUMM. The survey goes over, it's hard to see in the bill admittedly, but structure wise, you have page one, which goes over just the format and everything of the bill and all that. Page two goes over just basic demographics, no name because it is anonymous, but if they're a student, if they're a faculty member, what kind of faculty member, etc. And then part three, they can click which services they've used, and then it'll, based on that, give them questions to answer. So you don't have to answer a ton of questions or go through a ton of pages. So yeah, there's not really too much to it.

7:11 remaining for questions

- **Kathuria-** What are your hopes with the survey and how do you plan on implementing it in the project that you are currently working on?
 - I want to use this as an opportunity to see what areas of healthcare Goddard isn't necessarily focusing on or offering to students, where they need more support and how we can do that. So I imagine this will turn into at least one or hopefully more projects to help Goddard, but right now it is a very preliminary part of the process.
- **Kathuria-** Are you aware that Goddard has experienced some issues with staffing shortages?
 - I am. I reached out to them to get permission to release this as a survey and of course they have a survey of their own but I just wanted to expand on that a little bit and all they asked was that we share the data with them, at least or findings, not necessarily or raw data, but what the survey showed.

30-0-0

On a motion to see CR-113-02 Kathuria seconded by Richardson

- CR-113-02 “Black History Month Resolution of 2025” (Bolanos) (Rec of Due Pass)

Authors Explanation:

Good evening, guys. We wrote this basically because it's important for us to recognize the contributions and historical significance of the black community, not just nationally, but also here locally, at OU and in this community too. This bill will be signed off by every branch of the Student Government, so the Graduate Student Senate and Congress and then the president of SGA.

7:31 remaining for questions

- **Kathuria-** What do you think is the fundamental importance of getting this bill passed?
 - Well, I think because of that, it's especially important to have this recognized by us just to highlight it, because some people might not know about it, especially maybe international students don't know about the significance of the black community. And so, I think it's important that we highlight that, just so we can kind of spread the word about it, so it becomes a more well known issue.
- **Gilson-Bond-** Would you accept a friendly amendment in sections 2, 3, and 4 to change Undergraduate Student Congress to Student Government Association?
 - Yes.
- **Burnett-** Why did you decide to write this bill?
 - In our committee, Aniketh had asked us if any of us wanted to help and I was like I can help. So that's why I decided to write this bill.
- **Estrada-** What changes do you hope to see if this bill does pass?
 - Well, I just hope to see that it becomes more recognized around OU and people are able to see the importance of this, and maybe they even interest them, and so they do a little bit more research online. Like, oh, this is interesting let me see what's online, to just to look at information. I think that would be good, just to create awareness
- **Kathuria-** Would you accept a friendly amendment to Section 5 also sending a copy of this resolution to all members of the OU Board of Regents and provost André-Denis Wright?
 - Yes.

31-0-0

On a motion to see CB-113-12 Aslam seconded by Ball

- CB-113-12 “Bizzell Memorial Library Hours Survey Act of 2025.” (Fontanilla) (Rec of Due Pass)

Authors Explanation:

This was just our suggestion as a committee to survey the OU undergrad and just general student populace to see what proportion of students would want the 24 hours during finals week to either be extended to dead week or replacing dead week with finals week, because we felt that more students utilize the library more during dead week, especially if they only have early finals or project based finals that happen on, say, Monday and Tuesday, because then the Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 24 hours during finals week turns out to be relatively useless for them. We also put in a question on this to see how many students would like extended hours, just in case the library says that we absolutely can't do any 24 hours on both weeks, although we have done some research and realized that they did do it in the past, right before COVID. So we're just seeing how many students want this 24 hours during dead week, in order to use that sort of survey as leverage for negotiations with any of the library staff to see if we can bring it back

6:51 remaining for questions

- **Kathuria-** Why do you think this survey is important to assess the academic needs of OU students?
 - Before talking to any of the library staff or those in charge of making the decisions for hours, we want to be able to show them proof that we did some research on this.

This isn't just us speaking on behalf of COSCO or SGA, it's us speaking on behalf of most of the OU population. And if this survey turns out to show that most students are okay as is, then we know not to bring that up to the staff, because we do realize that it is a hassle on their part because of staffing issues. So, we could realize how pressing the need is for students, and if it is a pressing need, we could be able to demonstrate that to the staff in charge of those hours.

- **Kathuria-** How do you plan on promoting the survey to the entirety of the student body?
 - The main way would likely be email but we could probably also put up flyers, put it in any newsletter we have, or just generally how else we promote surveys on campus. But I feel like this survey may be more answered than some of the longer surveys, because this is only five questions, which doesn't take a lot of time to answer, and it's something that I know personally a lot of students have complained about and might want to see change.

31-0-0

Follow-Up Reports

- **Kathuria-** Regarding the Universal TopHat Act that was passed last September I am going to be presenting at faculty senate on Monday March 10th to discuss the importance of course affordability and a universal TopHat system all across the University of Oklahoma.

Announcements and Comments

- **Fisher-** I have three small announcements. One, E-week Monday Tuesday and Wednesday I think as you can see it is snowing so it has been moved a bit. So Thursday and Friday will go as usual, but our usual events will happen Monday of next week and then both Talent Show and Banquet will happen Tuesday. Then there is a second week of engineering hosted by a bunch of different orgs all in Felger Willa B Lounge. They are showing a bunch of movies at 7pm if that interest you it will be Willa B Lounge in Felger in the E Quad. Then finally next week is love where you live week, basically showcasing love to all the residential housing organizations. HSSA, NRHH and housing will post about this week and what events we will be hosting.
- **Kathuria-** I just want to remind the student body that we are going to be online for our classes tomorrow. So classes are not entirely canceled so please make sure that you pay attention to your professors instructions and I hope you enjoy watching the beautiful snow outside. It is pretty to look at

Final Roll Call

On a motion to adjourn Hallum seconded by Wintory

Adjourn- 7:37 pm

Chair: Hope Rhoads

Vice Chair: Aaron Gilson-Bond

Secretary: Chloe Harris

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

February 18, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-11

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act authorizing a survey of the student body on behalf of the Undergraduate Student Congress; providing for specific questions; and providing for distribution.

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, “OU Goddard Health Care Feedback Survey Act of 2025.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to establish a survey under the Student Government Association.

The SGA Undergraduate Student Congress shall survey undergraduate and graduate students, as well as all staff and faculty affiliated with OU, to better understand how effectively Goddard’s healthcare services support those who utilize it’s services. The goal of this survey is to better understand how SGA can support and improve Goddard for OU’s faculty and student body.

Section 3: The following questions shall be administered via Qualtrics, with all data collected anonymously and kept confidential.

Pre-Survey Disclosure Agreement — Block 1:

OU Goddard Health Center Feedback Survey
Conducted by: Leo Carter | Undergraduate Student Congress, External Affairs Committee
Date: 1/11/2025

1. Purpose of the Survey

Thank you for your participation in this survey. The purpose of this survey is to gather feedback on OU Goddard Heath Center’s numerous services. Your responses will help us identify any larger trends with how students, staff, and faculty experience Goddard’s services, adn what areas could be improved.

2. Voluntary Participation

Participation in this survey is completely voluntary. You may choose to stop at any time without penalty. If you decide to withdraw, any data collected up to that point will be recorded anonymously and marked incomplete after 24 hours without additional submissions to the survey.

3. Confidentiality and Data Usage

Your responses will be collected anonymously and in aggregate form. All data is kept confidential. Responses will only be used to better understand any greater trends with how OU students, staff, and faculty interact with Goddard Health Center and its services. We will not share your personal information with third parties without your consent unless required by law.

4. Risk and Benefits

There are no anticipated risks associated with participating in this survey. While there may be no direct benefits to you, your feedback will help us improve student, staff, and faculty healthcare services on campus.

5. Consent to Participate

By proceeding with this survey, you acknowledge that: You have read and understood this disclosure. You voluntarily agree to participate. You understand how your data will be used and stored.

If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Leo Carter at Lauren.J.Carter-1@ou.edu.

Do you consent to participate in this survey?

- I consent
- I do not consent [Skips to end of survey if selected]

Do you consent to participate in this survey? [Skip to]

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Demographics:

- How are you affiliated with OU?
 - Student [Decision Tree]
 - Faculty or Staff Member [Decision Tree]
 - Other [Decision Tree]

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers, "Other," to the question, "How are you affiliated with OU?"

- If 'Other' please specify below:
 - Single-line text box

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers, "Student," to the question, "How are you affiliated with OU?"

- Students, please specify your classification below. (This is based on the amount of time you have been a student with OU, not based on your credit-based classification)
 - Freshman
 - Sophomore
 - Junior
 - Senior
 - Five or more years

- Transfer Student [Decision Tree]
- Graduate Student

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers, “Transfer Student,” to the question, “Students, please specify your classification below. (This is based on the amount of time you have been a student with OU, not based on your credit-based classification)?”

- If you are a transfer student, please specify the total amount of years you have attended a four-year university.
 - 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - 4
 - 5 or more years
- If you are a transfer student, please specify the total amount of years you have been at OU.
 - 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - 4
 - 5 or more

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers, “Faculty or Staff Member,” to the question, “How are you affiliated with OU?”

- If you are a ‘Faculty or Staff Member,’ please specify your position below.
 - Professor, Associate Professor, or Assistant Professor
 - Administrative Staff (University administrators, department heads, registrars, finance officers)
 - Technical Staff (Lab-based faculty, facilities management)
 - Support Staff (Office managers, IT support, library staff)
 - Professional Staff (Counselors, HR specialists, academic advisors)
 - Adjunct Faculty
 - Adjoins/External Faculty
 - Research Faculty
 - Contract or Temporary Staff
 - Emeritus Faculty
 - Volunteer Faculty
 - Other [Decision Tree]

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers, “Other,” to the question, “If you are a ‘Faculty or Staff Member,’ please specify your position below.”

- If ‘Other’ please specify
 - Single-line text box
- Please select your current age range
 - 1-17 [Skips to end of survey if selected]
 - 18-24
 - 25-34

- 35-44
 - 45-54
 - 55-64
 - 65-74
 - 75-84
 - 85+
- Choose one or more races that you consider yourself to be
 - White or Caucasian
 - Black or African American
 - American Indian/Native American or Alaska Native
 - Asian
 - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 - Other
 - Prefer not to say
 - Please select your self-identified gender
 - Female
 - Male
 - Intersex
 - Non-Binary
 - Other [Decision Tree]
 - Prefer not to say

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers, “Other,” to the question, “Please select your self-identified gender.”

- If ‘Other’ please specify
 - Single-line text box

Goddard-Specific Questions — Block 2:

- What is your general impression of Goddard’s services?
 - Multiple-line text box
- Please select all Goddard services you have used. More information can be found at <https://www.ou.edu/healthservices/services> [Decision Tree]
 - Primary Care Appointments
 - ADD/ADHD Management
 - Allergy Injections
 - Body Composition Assessment
 - Crisis Intervention
 - Flu and COVID-19
 - Immunization and Tuberculosis Testing
 - International Student Resources
 - Laboratory Testing (Urinalysis, flu, mononucleosis, thyroid testing, sexual health screenings, and more.)
 - Lactation Rooms

- LGBTQ+ Health Services
- Mental Health Resources
- Nutrition Services
- Goddard Pharmacy
- Physical Therapy
- Sexual and Reproductive Health Services
- Tobacco/Nicotine Cessation Services
- X-Ray Services

Block 3 (Questions repeat for each service previously selected):

- Please rank Goddard regarding your experience with ‘\${lm://Field/1}’ (Measured on sliding scale from 0-100).
 - How would you rate your overall experience? (0=very poor, 100=excellent)
 - How easy was it to schedule an appointment? (0=difficult, 100=very easy)
 - Did your provider explain your condition and treatment options in a way you could understand? (0=Not at all, 100=Extensively)
 - Did you feel listened to by your provider? (0=Not at all, 100=Completely)
 - Did you feel that your healthcare team was knowledgeable and competent? (0=Not at all, 100=Completely)
 - How clear were your post-visit instructions? (0=Not clear, 100=Very clear)
- On average, how long do you wait to get an appointment after requesting one?
 - 1 Day
 - 2-3 Days
 - 4-6 Days
 - 7+ Days
- On average, how long do you wait in the office before being seen by a provider?
 - Less than 15 minutes
 - 15-30 minutes
 - 30-60 minutes
 - More than 60 minutes
- Have you had any issues with insurance processing or billing? If yes, please elaborate.
 - Multiple-line text box
- If applicable, how long does it take on average for test results to be sent to you?
 - Less than 1 hour
 - 1-5 hours
 - 6-12 hours
 - 13-24 hours
 - 25-48 hours
 - More than 48 hours

Goddard General Questions — Block 4:

- What have you enjoyed most about your healthcare experience across all Goddard services?
 - Multiple-line text box
- What could have improved your healthcare experience?

- Multiple-line text box
- Do you have any additional feedback?
 - Multiple-line text box

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Conclusion:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your input will greatly aid in improving the services Goddard Health Center provides to students, staff, and faculty such as yourself. We believe that transparency is crucial to effectively serving OU, as such, all findings from this survey will be shared with Goddard and the greater University of Oklahoma community.

Updates regarding this survey can be found on the Student Government Association website: www.ou.edu/sga/university, with newsletters and/or email announcements reporting on the survey's findings, and possible initiatives or legislature that may be developed as a result.

If you have any questions or feedback regarding this survey, please do not hesitate to contact us at Lauren.J.Carter-1@ou.edu. If you have any personal health concerns, please contact Goddard at HealthServices@ou.edu or call (405)-325-4611.

If you are experiencing a medical emergency, please call 911.

Alternatively, the following resources are available to you:

- For confidential mental health support, contact OU Advocates: (405)-615-0013
- For confidential counseling, contact University Counseling Services: (405)-325-2911

Section 4: Upon the passage of this bill, this survey shall be distributed via; (1) www.qualtrics.com, released through the University of Oklahoma mass mailing system, 'OUMM,' under the email: kga@ou.edu; (2) fliers will be posted in public and frequently trafficked locations on campus, including but not limited to OU's on campus student living residencies; (3) advertising will take place across multiple social media platforms, including the SGA Instagram.

The survey shall be conducted between February 11, 2025 and May 11, 2025.

Author(s): Lauren Carter, Fine Arts District Representative

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Wang seconded by Representative Toyos

Action taken by Congress: 30-0-0

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-113-02
SENATE RESOLUTION GSXX-XX/GFXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Resolution Recognizing the month of
February as Black History Month; and providing for
distribution.

- Whereas: Black History month is celebrated in the month of February; and
- Whereas: Black History Month was federally established through Congress in 1986 in Public Law¹; and
- Whereas: The month of February was chosen to honor the birthdays of Fredrick Douglas and Abraham Lincoln²; and
- Whereas: Black History Month is also used to educate the American public on the challenges of Black/African American/ Members of the African Diaspora people have faced throughout history and today; and
- Whereas: Black History month is used to promote the identity culture, and the contributions of Black/African American/members of the African diaspora people have faced throughout history and today; and
- Whereas: In the Fall of 2024 1,692 students or 5.5% of The University of Oklahoma's student body who was enrolled identified as Black and African American students³; and

¹ DOD, *Nation Celebrate Black History Month*. (2024). U.S. Department of Defense. <https://www.defense.gov/News/Feature-Stories/Story/Article/2912763/dod-nation-celebrate-black-history-month/>

² *Honoring Legacy and Service During Black History Month | VA Bedford health care | Veterans Affairs*. (2025, February 5). Veterans Affairs. <https://www.va.gov/bedford-health-care/stories/honoring-legacy-and-service-during-black-history-month/>

³ *Enrollment Summary Report Fall 2024*, Institutional Research & Reporting, Sept. 2024, [www.ou.edu/content/dam/irr/docs/Enrollment Statistics/Enrollment Summaries/Fall/Enrollment Summary FA24.pdf](http://www.ou.edu/content/dam/irr/docs/Enrollment%20Statistics/Enrollment%20Summaries/Fall/Enrollment%20Summary%20FA24.pdf). Accessed 11 Feb. 2025.

- Whereas: Black/African American/Members of the African Diaspora students are often underrepresented in higher education⁴; and
- Whereas: Educational institutions have historically been biased or inaccurate on the retelling of American Black History due to systematic discriminatory structures and beliefs; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma promotes Diversity on its campus, meaning that "all individuals and viewpoints are represented and included"; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma also promotes Inclusion, meaning that, "all have a sense of belonging in our environment of cultivated respect and care"; and
- Whereas: Celebrating Black/African American/Members of the African Diaspora students and their history recognize the contributions these students have given to The University of Oklahoma and ensuring they are not overlooked; and
- Whereas: The recognition of Black History Month brings awareness and discussion on the history of Black/African- American/Members of the African Diaspora Americans, not only at The University of Oklahoma, but also across the nation; and
- Whereas: Accurate stories and discussion of Black history and cultures help to reduce stigma, giving the opportunity for more inclusive environments; and
- Whereas: Recognizing Black History Month also gives way to recognizing the Black/African-American/Members of the African Diaspora faculty and staff that serve as role models for the community at The University of Oklahoma; therefore

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 “Black History Month Resolution of 2025”
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association recognizes the month of February as Black History Month.
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association recognizes and honors the Black/African American/ Members of the African Diaspora students at The University of Oklahoma in addition to their culture and heritage.

⁴ *Underrepresentation of Black and Latino Undergraduates at America’s Most Selective Private Colleges and Universities.* (n.d.). Ithaca S+R. <https://sr.ithaka.org/publications/underrepresentation-of-black-and-latino-undergraduates-at-americas-most-selective-private-colleges-and-universities/>

Section 4: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Undergraduate Student Congress condemns any laws and policies that previously or currently suppress, or harm individuals recognized within this resolution.

Section 5: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President Joseph Harroz Jr, University of Oklahoma
- Angelique Price, Coordinator of the African American Programs and Services
- Ronnie Nuqui, President of the Multicultural Greek Council
- Aerial Hobson, Multicultural Greek Council and National Panhellenic Council Advisor
- Kayla Nealy, President of the Black Student Association
- Eric Stevenson, Member of University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Anita Holloway, Member of University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Natalie Shirley, Member of University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Rick Nagel, Member of University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Robert Ross, Member of University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- John Braught, Member of University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Kenneth Waits, Member of University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- André-Denis Wright, Provost of the University of Oklahoma

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Submitted on a motion by: Representative Kathuria seconded by Representative Richardson

Action taken by Congress: 31-0-0

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

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Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Verified by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIII

February 18, 2025

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-113-12

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act authorizing a survey of the student body on behalf of the Undergraduate Student Congress; providing for specific questions; and providing for distribution.

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 “Bizzell Memorial Library Hours Survey Act of 2025.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to establish a survey on behalf of the Student Government Association. The SGA Undergraduate Congress shall survey undergraduate students to discover the attitudes of students towards the current hours of the Bizzell Memorial Library during dead week and finals week, as well as their receptiveness to proposed changes to these hours.
- Section 3:** The following questions shall be administered via Qualtrics.

Introduction and Purpose of the Survey:

Thank you for considering participation in our important survey. As members of the University of Oklahoma community, academic excellence and student support are among our highest priorities. The primary aim of this survey is to gather students’ opinions toward current hours of the Bizzell Memorial Library during “dead week” (the week immediately preceding finals week) and finals week and determine attitudes towards proposed changes of these hours.

Why Your Participation Matters:

Your input is crucial. By sharing your thoughts, you contribute to a comprehensive understanding of academic needs during finals season. This, in turn, will help university administrators, student leaders, and policymakers to make informed decisions that affect all of us. Understanding student opinions is the first step towards enacting valuable changes in academic policy.

Confidentiality Assurance:

Please be assured that your responses will be kept anonymous and confidential. No personally identifiable information will be collected, and all data will be reported in aggregate form. Your honesty and openness in answering these questions are greatly appreciated.

Questions

1. How frequently do you use the Bizzell Memorial Library?
 - a. Daily
 - b. A few times per week
 - c. Around once per week
 - d. Less than once per week
 - e. Never

2. Were you already aware that the Bizzell Memorial Library is open for normal hours during dead week (the week immediately preceding finals week), but is open 24 hours during finals week?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

3. Would you like the Bizzell Memorial Library to be open for 24 hours during dead week, in addition to being open for 24 hours during finals week?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

4. If the Bizzell Memorial Library could only be open 24 hours for one week, would you prefer dead week or finals week?
 - a. Dead week
 - b. Finals week

5. If the university does not allow the Bizzell Memorial Library to be open 24 hours during dead week, would you still like the library hours to be extended beyond the current schedule? The current dead week hours are 12:00PM –12:00AM on Sunday, 7:30AM – 12:00AM on Monday through Thursday, 7:30AM – 9PM on Friday, and 9:00AM – 9:00PM on Saturday.
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

Conclusion:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your input is valuable and contributes significantly to our understanding of student perspectives on the hours of the Bizzell Memorial Library. The insights gathered will inform discussions and actions to ensure our campus best supports academic excellence. We are committed to transparency and plan to share the findings from this survey with the University of Oklahoma community. Keep an eye on the student congress website: www.ou.edu/sga/university and [newsletter](http://www.ou.edu/sga/newsletter)/student email announcements for a report on the survey results and any upcoming initiatives or policy discussions. If you have any questions about this survey, we encourage you to reach out to Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee Chair, Syed Aslam, at cosco@ou.edu

Section 4: Upon passage of this bill, the survey will be released on www.qualtrics.com and emailed through the University of Oklahoma mass mailing system through the email kga@ou.edu.

The survey shall be conducted from February 18, 2025 through March 11, 2025.

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Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Aslam seconded by Representative Ball

Action taken by Congress: 31-0-0

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

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Last	First	Intial	Final		
Aslam	Syed	x	x		
Ball	Reese	x	x		
Beasley	William	x	x		
Benitez Mendoza	Delia	ex	ex		
Bento	Marilou	x	x		
Bertotti	Hayden	x	x		
Burnett	Ava	x	x		
Carter	Leo	a	x		
Christiansen	Henry	x	x		
Cunningham	Owen	a	x		
Duncan	Elizabeth	x	x		
Estrada	Nicole	x	x		
Fazzani	Diego	a	a		
Finley	Jael	a	x		
Fisher	Mecca	x	x		
Hallum	Elias	x	x		
Harris	Hudson	a	x		
Hawley	Kayla	x	x		
Higareda Castillo	Lilian	a	x		
Kathuria	Shrey	x	x		
Keupen	Ben	a	x		
Koneru	Aniketh	x	x		
Lapp	Bridget	x	x		
Martin	Kyle	x	x		
Ogle	Pierce	ex	ex		
Oler	Kyle	x	x		
Pruitt	Aydan	x	x		
Reynolds	Michael	a	a		
Richardson	Thomas	x	x		
Robinson	Caleb	x	x		
Schonfield	Jacob	ex	ex		
Schroeder	Brooklyn	a	a		
Toyos	Alexandra	x	x		
Vedra	Hayden	x	x		
Walker	Cade	x	x		
Walker	Cody	x	x		
Wang	Andy	x	x		
Wintory	Michael	a	x		
PRESENT			25	32	
ABSENT			10	3	
EXCUSED			3	3	

Last	First	CB-113-11	CB-113-12	CR-113-02	
Aslam	Syed	y	y	y	
Ball	Reese	y	y	y	
Beasley	William	y	y	y	
Benitez Mendoza	Delia				
Bento	Marilou	y	y	y	
Bertotti	Hayden	y	y	y	
Burnett	Ava	y	y	y	
Carter	Lauren	y	y	y	
Christiansen	Henry	y	y	y	
Cunningham	Owen	y	y	y	
Duncan	Elizabeth	y	y	y	
Estrada	Nicole	y	y	y	
Fazzani	Diego				
Finley	Jael	y			
Fisher	Mecca	y	y	y	
Hallum	Elias	y	y	y	
Harris	Hudson	y	y	y	
Hawley	Kayla	y	y	y	
Higareda Castillo	Lilian	y	y	y	
Kathuria	Shrey	y	y	y	
Keupen	Ben	y	y	y	
Koneru	Aniketh	y	y	y	
Lapp	Bridget	y	y	y	
Martin	Kyle	y	y	y	
Ogle	Pierce				
Oler	Kyle	y	y	y	
Pruitt	Aydan		y	y	
Reynolds	Michael				
Richardson	Thomas	y	y	y	
Robinson	Caleb	y	y	y	
Schonfield	Jacob				
Schroeder	Brooklyn				
Toyos	Alexandra	y	y	y	
Vedra	Hayden	y	y	y	
Walker	Cade	y	y	y	
Walker	Cody	y	y	y	
Wang	Andy	y	y	y	
Wintory	Michael	y	y	y	
Yes			30	31	31
No			0	0	0
Abstain			0	0	0