

Greetings from Em Wasserman, Empire State University SGA President.

The Student Government Association is excited about our progress this year. We have undergone a good deal of work on our infrastructure, including bylaws hygiene and articles of association to bring us in line with University and SUNY policies. In addition to these exciting events, we would like to highlight some of the work we've accomplished in recent months.

- Students will be invited to a virtual movie night, headed by our Student Success chair. More information to come!
- Our Bluebird award committee has selected our award winners who will be presented with their honors at the Spring mini conferences, presented by our Senate Clerk and other elected members attending each event. The award winners are: Shannon Mulstay, Robin Hodges, Andrew O'Rourke, and Bryant O'Donnel
- The SGA is working with student services to conduct a food drive at each mini conference site.
- We recently passed a resolution through the University Senate to grant students the ability to edit their posts in Brightspace for a determined period, as was available in Moodle. This feature promotes accessibility.
- We recently sent two delegates to the SUNY SA Advocacy day, supporting expanded Tuition Assistance Program
- We are sending two delegates to the SUNY SA Spring Conference
- In addition, we recently underwent a historic special election for our treasurer position, garnering interest from over 40 student candidates. Matthew Berge won the vote and is working with the SGA and Josh Boardman to determine our budget for next year as well as by advising current members on the budget.
- We are gearing up for the Spring Election season and celebrating our graduating members. The election will take place in April and the Elections committee is hard at work on planning this process.
- We have seen great turnout at our All Student meetings throughout this school year and gaining popularity amongst student advocates
- Our President, Vice President, and Senate Chair are also holding monthly office hours to connect with students directly

We're working hard up until the end of our terms and look forward to passing the torch to our next SGA, which we are confident will have the tools and resources in place to continue growing our ability to reach students and engage them in these advocacy efforts!

Should you have questions or suggestions for the Student Government Association, we welcome your outreach. We can be reached at SGA@sunyempire.edu and SGAsenate@sunyempire.edu.

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