This Is External Affairs

February Delegate’s Meeting
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UCSA UPDATES

• UCSA leadership met with former Assemblymember John Perez to discuss his recent appointment as UC Regent.

• UCSA students decided to not participate in joint lobbying with UCOP and the Regents.

UCSA Resolution in Solidarity with BlackLivesMatter Passed Unanimously

University of California Student Association
Resolution in Solidarity with National Campaigns to End State-Sanctioned Violence Against Black Bodies

Sponsor(s):
Iman Sylvain (UCB GA)
Breana Ross (UCR AS)

WHEREAS, Every twenty-eight hours a Black person is killed by law enforcement, security guard, or vigilante;

WHEREAS, Grand juries have failed to indict Ferguson, MO Police Officer Darren Wilson for the murder of 18-year old unarmed Michael Brown, or NYPD Officer Daniel Pantaleo who used an illegal chokehold maneuver to suffocate and kill Eric Garner;

WHEREAS, People all across the nation have taken to the streets to protest state-sanctioned violence against Black bodies;

WHEREAS, The University of California Student Association historically has developed a culture of organizing through the support of Civil Rights and Free Speech Movements;

WHEREAS, University of California student activist in Black Student Unions and various other campus organizations are active in BlackLivesMatter protests and demonstrations in solidarity;
Jan. 21-22: Regent’s Meeting

• Three new Regents appointed by Gov. Brown since the release of Napolitano’s tuition plan
• Committee of Two (Napolitano+Brown) will discuss UC finances and State support for higher education
Want to talk one-on-one with the Governor, Lt. Governor, Speaker of the House, or the Regents? Apply to be a StAR!

http://ucsa.org/get-involved/student-advocates-to-the-regents/
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Navigating the State Budget Process

Each year the Governor and Legislature work to craft the state’s spending plan. While the January-to-June period gets the most attention, the process of crafting the budget is an ongoing enterprise, giving Californians ample opportunity to stay engaged and involved year-round.

The Governor
The Governor has the lead role in developing the state budget. Each year, the Governor proposes a spending plan, which is introduced as the budget bill in the Legislature. The Governor can sign or veto the budget bill passed by legislators as well as other bills in the budget package that make policy changes related to the budget. The Governor can also reduce or eliminate individual appropriations using the line-item veto.

The Legislature
The Legislature – made up of the Assembly and Senate – reviews the Governor’s proposed budget and crafts its own version of the spending plan. The Legislature can maintain, modify, or reject the Governor’s proposals, with review occurring through each house’s budget committee and related subcommittees. The Legislature must pass the budget bill, but not other bills in the budget package, by June 15. The Legislature can override a Governor’s veto by a two-thirds vote of each house.

The Public
The public has various opportunities for input during the budget process. Members of the public can meet with officials from the Governor’s administration and with legislators and their staffs, testify before budget committees and subcommittees, and write letters of support and opposition. Through individual engagement or as part of coalitions, members of the public can express their budget priorities and areas of concern.

By June 15: Legislature must pass a balanced budget

By May 14: Governor releases revised budget proposal ("May Revision")

February to early May: Officials from the Governor’s administration testify about the proposed budget at legislative hearings and develop the May Revision.

February to early May: Budget subcommittees in the state Assembly and Senate review the Governor’s proposed budget and begin to craft their versions of the annual spending plan.

Mid-May to early June: Legislative leaders and Governor meet to address outstanding issues.

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Budget goes to Governor: Governor signs budget package and may issue vetoes.

By January 10: Governor releases proposed budget for next fiscal year, which begins on July 1.

Summer to fall: State departments and agencies develop budget proposals for the coming fiscal year and submit them to the Department of Finance (DOF) for review. Following a series of meetings, the Governor makes final decisions and the DOF prepares the proposed budget for release in January.

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July and following: Legislature may pass budget amendments and other changes to the adopted budget package, including in the next calendar year.

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As the Governor’s proposed budget for the next fiscal year is being developed, members of the public can meet with officials from the Governor’s administration to share budget priorities and discuss areas of concern.

Summer to fall: Also a good time for members of the public to get to know key legislative staff, educate them on particular issues, and suggest ideas that deserve a hearing in the year ahead.

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Spring Lobbying Opportunities

**UCSA Student Lobby Conference**
When: April 18-20
Where: Sacramento, CA
What: UC students join together to stop the tuition hike and influence CA budget appropriations

**SAGE Days on the Hill**
When: March 20-25
Where: Washington, D.C.
What: Grad students from R1 public institutions lobby Congress for reduced taxation, immigration reform, and research funding

The GA will cover the cost of transportation and lodging for grad students interested in attending. Both conferences involve 1-2 days of lobby training.

Please contact the EAVP eavp-ga@berkeley.edu, State (jpomeroy@berkeley.edu) or Federal (erin.coghlan@berkeley.edu) Legislative Directors to attend either trip.
Hella Protests #blacklivesmatter

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The City of Berkeley’s Response to BlackLivesMatter Protests

Jan 17th Berkeley City Council held a special meeting on improving the relationship between police and community members

– local residents were outraged by the police’s use of tear gas, rubber bullets, and batons on peaceful protestors
• **FEB 10**\(^{TH}\) **Berkeley City Council will vote** to stand in solidarity with Ferguson Action’s National Demands AND prohibit police from using multiple forms of violence against protestors

  – **March and Rally outside of City Hall @5:30pm until the resolution passes**

  – [https://www.facebook.com/events/853152664722956/?pnref=story](https://www.facebook.com/events/853152664722956/?pnref=story)