



Mission

Arcadia University's Student Government Organization (SGO) is dedicated to serving Arcadia's undergraduate population and providing an outlet for student voice. SGO encourages active participation within the University's community and also promotes self-advocacy for all students. We are focused on enhancing the Arcadia experience through bringing positive change to campus. The organization aims to encourage student leadership through collaboration between Arcadia staff, faculty, and the student body.

Membership

All full-time and part-time undergraduate students of Arcadia University may be members of the Student Government Organization in three different ways:

- **The Senate:** One must submit a petition to serve as a Senator in Student Government. This petition should include 20 signatures from 20 unique undergraduate students. Each signature is a confirmation of support for the candidate. The petitions become available at the beginning of every semester. A Senator must have at least a 2.5 GPA and be in good academic and judicial standing. In addition, a Senator must not miss more than two unexcused meetings. All Senators must actively participate in at least one of the four Senate committees in SGO (see page 6).
- **The House of Representatives:** One Representative from each SGO recognized student organization must attend the bi-weekly SGO meetings. It is the Representative's responsibility to bring important information back to their student organization and to share their club information with the SGO.
- **General Members:** Any students may attend SGO meetings throughout the academic year. General members will not be held accountable to the same responsibilities as the Senate and House of Representatives. While allowed to participate in SGO discussions, they do not have the privilege to vote on any discussions held at SGO meetings.

Committees

Senators are required to serve on an SGO Committee. The SGO Executive Board will place Senators on Committees based on Senator preference and committee need. The Executive Board will consider preferences based on terms of service in the Senate. Committees are to meet bi-weekly and report at every SGO meetings. Senators are required to attend committee meetings. Two unexcused absences from a committee meeting will result in dismissal from the Senate. If a Senator is unable to attend a committee meeting, they should contact their committee Chair.

The following are the SGO Committees:

Academic Services Committee

Dedicated to addressing issues related to students academic experience. Committee members will serve on the Undergraduate Academic Program Committee (UAPC). This committee advocates on behalf of students by addressing academic questions, concerns and updates to students and key members of Academic Affairs. The committee has a strong focus on Academic Advising, Learning Resource Network, Undergraduate Curriculum, etc. The committee is overseen by the SGO **Chancellor**.

Budgetary Committee

Oversees funding for student organizations. Committee members manage the funding and allocation process for all SGO recognized student organizations. The committee is overseen by the SGO **Treasurer**.

Facilities Committee

Dedicated to addressing issues impacting campus safety, facilities, maintenance and technology. Committee members will address Physical Plant and technology issues which impact students' ability to function in and outside the classroom. Members will also serve on the Parking Committee, responsible for reviewing parking appeals. The committee has a strong focus on Conference Services, Public Safety, Facilities Department, etc. The committee is overseen by the SGO **President**.

Student Services Committee

Dedicated to addressing issues related to student resources and services. Committee members will specifically seek out student concerns, complaints and accolades that can be communicated and addressed through student action. The committee has a strong focus on Dining Services, Student Engagement, Residence and Commuter Life, Athletics, etc. The committee is overseen by the SGO **Secretary**.