

SENATE RESOLUTION #1153

Title: Graduate Assistantships Resolution

Codification Number:

Introduced: April 27, 1976

Thesis: A resolution to restore the Graduate Assistantship Instate Tuition Scholarship.

Sponsor: Alan O'Hashi

1. Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the
2. University of Wyoming that whereas graduate teaching assistants and research
3. assistants are members of the ASUW and whereas they contribute to the quality
4. education and research at the University of Wyoming, and whereas it is
5. essential that the University be able to recruit highly qualified candidates
6. for advanced degrees, and to compensate fairly and as adequately as possible
7. graduate assistants who already serving the University, and whereas the
8. Governor of Wyoming and the 43rd Legislature of Wyoming, in the 1976 budget
9. session of the Legislature, approved an increase in the nine month stipend
10. for graduate assistants from \$3,150 to \$3,600 and whereas the University
11. Administration has decided to compensate for a \$298,799 legislative cut in
12. the University's appropriation for prizes, awards, and scholarships by
13. requiring graduate assistants to pay in-state tuition, and whereas such a
14. charge to teaching assistants would decrease their raise from the \$450
15. intended by the state legislature to a gross increase of only \$125 per
16. academic year and could result in a net decrease in income for research
17. assistants, and whereas charging in-state tuition to graduate assistants
18. is a major departure from the University's tradition of granting tuition
19. remissions to teaching assistants and research assistants as part of the
20. University's overall effort to attract and fairly compensate graduate
21. assistants for their contributions to the University's teaching and research
22. programs, be it resolved that the Student Senate of the ASUW is opposed to

23. the decision to charge graduate assistants in-state tuition and considers
 24. this decision to be detrimental to both undergraduate and graduate education
 25. and to research, and be it further resolved that the Student Senate of the
 26. ASUW calls upon the University Administration to reconsider its decision to
 27. assess graduate students tuition, as a means of compensating for the cut in
 28. the legislative appropriation for prizes, awards, and scholarships, and be it
 29. further resolved that the Student Senate of the ASUW most strongly recommends
 30. to the University Administration that it would be in the best interests of the
 31. University to reinstate tuition waivers for graduate assistants in the 1976-77
 32. school year and thereafter, and be it further resolved that on adoption of
 33. this resolution by a majority of the Student Senators of the ASUW at its
 34. meeting on May 4, 1976, the President of the Senate shall communicate this
 35. resolution to President Carlson, all Vice Presidents of the University and
 36. to the Board of Trustees members.

Referred to: Steering ^{dominated}

Date of Passage: 5/4/76

Signed: Defeated
 ASUW Senate Chairperson

"Being enacted on _____, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
 approve this Senate action. _____ ASUW President."