**SENATE BILL #2639**

**TITLE:** Revision of the ASUW Senator Responsibilities

**DATE INTRODUCED:** November 27, 2018

**AUTHOR:** Vice President Mulhall

**SPONSORS:** Senators Applegate, Hungerford, Trent, and Wilkins; Chief of Legislative Affairs Sanders

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible through accurate
3. representation; and,
4. WHEREAS, accurate representation is best accomplished through engaged senators who
5. conduct consistent student outreach; and,
6. WHEREAS, the Senator Responsibilities as outlined in the ASUW By-Laws serve to
7. help guarantee an engaged senate; and,
8. WHEREAS, Senate Bill #2624 reduced the number of requirements for ASUW Senators
9. in order to increase senator retention; and,
10. WHEREAS, the reduction of requirements specifically reduced the amount of
11. external outreach conducted by senators; and,
12. WHEREAS, an additional outreach task would not be a significant burden for
13. Senators; and,
14. WHEREAS, Senators who serve in intern positions for ASUW serve three (3) to five (5)
15. hours a week through the responsibilities of their internship which surpasses the basic
16. Service Hour requirement and the Senatorial Scholarship requirement; and,
17. WHEREAS, Senators who serve as interns deserve incentive and recognition for
18. the time they commit to ASUW; and,
19. WHEREAS, the Senator Responsibilities in the ASUW By-Laws should reflect
20. guidelines for Senators who serve in different capacities to maintain appropriate
21. expectations and incentives.
22. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of
23. Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW By-Laws be amended to reflect
24. the changes in Addendum A; and,
25. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that upon passage, this bill will take effect at the
26. beginning of the 2019 Spring Semester.

**Referred to:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Steering; Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Passage:** **Signed:**

**(ASUW Chairperson)**

**“Being enacted on** **, I do hereby sign my name hereto and**

**approve this Senate action.”**   **ASUW President**

**Addendum A**

## Section 2.02 The ASUW Senate

### 4. ASUW Senator Responsibilities

1. Senators shall attend regularly scheduled meetings of the ASUW Student Senate, and any special meetings of the ASUW Student Senate as scheduled by the ASUW Vice President.
2. Senators shall be allotted a set amount of unexcused absences, as determined by the ASUW Steering Committee.
3. Senators shall serve on a minimum of two (2) ASUW Standing Committees, or one (1) ASUW Standing Committee and one (1) University Committee.
4. ASUW Senators shall be required to attend a diversity workshop. This workshop should focus, but is not limited to, the diversity as it pertains to the University of Wyoming to increase awareness and decrease insensitivity towards underrepresented populations throughout campus. This diversity training will be developed by UMC in coordination with the ASUW Vice-President. This training will count as one (1) of the aforementioned service hours for the period in which it is held.
5. Senators will be required to accumulate a total of two (2) service hours per service period. Service periods are defined in the following table:

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| **Service Periods** | |
| August/September | January/February |
| October | March/April |
| November/December |  |

1. Service hours can be accumulated through the following means:
   1. Documented office hour in the ASUW office.
   2. Documented participation in an ASUW student outreach event.
   3. Documented attendance or participation in an ASUW funded event.
   4. Documented volunteering with an ASUW program.
   5. Documented community service hour as a member of ASUW.
   6. Documented outreach to RSOs that Senators are not already affiliated with by attending an RSO meeting and sharing the resources ASUW can provide to RSOs to encourage stronger ties between ASUW and RSOs.
2. Any other form of service hour, as pre-approved in writing by the ASUW Vice President, with the subsequent approval of the ASUW Steering Committee.
3. Senators filling a vacancy during a Service Period will only be required to accumulate one (1) service hour for that period. If a Senator fills a vacancy within the last five (5) business days of a Service Period, they will not be required to accumulate any service hours for that period.
   1. Senators filling a vacancy will be required to fufill requirements for all full service periods for the remainder of the administration.
4. Appropriate documentation and documentation methods of service hours will be set and managed by the ASUW Vice President, with the subsequent approval of the ASUW Steering Committee.
5. Senators must maintain good academic status in the College or School to which they were elected to represent.
6. Senators shall pay the ASUW Student fee.
7. Senators must maintain student enrollment at the University of Wyoming for the duration of their service.

Section 6. ASUW Senator Qualifications for Senatorial Scholarship

Scholarship allotments shall be set and outlined to the senate by the steering committee within the first month of the fall semester. In order to obtain the senatorial scholarship, senators must complete the following standardized requirements:

1. Senators must serve for a minimum of eight (8) weeks per semester to be considered for the scholarship.
2. Senators will be required to accumulate a minimum of 2 additional service hours within each period of time (“service period”) defined in the following table:

**Service Periods**

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| --- | --- |
| August/September | January/February |
| October | March/April |
| November/December |  |

* 1. Senators filling a vacancy will only be required to accumulate an additional two (2) service hours for each full service period (defined above) they are in office in a given semester. The equation for determining total number of hours is:

1. Service hours can be accumulated through the following means:
   1. Documented office hour in the ASUW office.
   2. Documented participation in an ASUW student outreach event.
   3. Documented attendance or participation in an ASUW funded event.
   4. Documented volunteering with an ASUW program.
   5. Documented community service hour as a member of ASUW.
   6. Documented outreach to RSOs that Senators are not already affiliated with by attending an RSO meeting and sharing the resources ASUW can provide to RSOs to encourage stronger ties between ASUW and RSOs.
2. Any other form of service hour, as pre-approved in writing by the ASUW Vice President, with the subsequent approval of the ASUW Steering Committee.
3. Senators filling a vacancy during a Service Period will only be required to accumulate one (1) additional service hour for that period. If a Senator fills a vacancy within the last five (5) business days of a Service Period, they will not be required to accumulate any service hours for that period.
   1. Senators filling a vacancy will be required to fufill all scholarship requirements for all full service periods for the remainder of the administration in order to be eligible for the Senatorial Scholarship. .
4. Appropriate documentation and documentation methods of service hours will be set and managed by the ASUW Vice President, with the subsequent approval of the ASUW Steering Committee.
5. The decisions of the Vice President regarding exceptions to the listed service hours can be verbally appealed to the ASUW Steering Committee at the next regular Steering Committee meeting.
6. Senators shall attend a minimum of two (2) RSO events funded by ASUW per semester, and complete a review to be submitted to the ASUW RSO Funding Board for each event.
7. Senators shall attend one (1) public meeting of any ASUW Program, Service, or Strategic Partner per semester.
8. Senators shall maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 for the duration of their service.
9. Senators shall pay the ASUW Student fee.
10. Senators must maintain student enrollment at the University of Wyoming for the duration of their service.
11. Each Senator shall be required to complete an ASUW social media outreach effort, to be decided upon annually by the Steering Committee.
12. If a Senator is serving as a member of the ASUW RSO Funding Board, they may be eligible to serve as the RSO Relations intern.
    1. Senators who serve as the RSO Relations intern will not be subject to complete the outlined requirements above to qualify for the senatorial scholarship.
    2. Qualifications for the Senatorial Scholarship for the RSO Relations intern include:
       1. Service hours served through internship hours within the office.
       2. Senators shall attend a minimum of one (1) RSO event funded by ASUW per semester, and complete a review to be submitted to the ASUW RSO Funding Board for each event.
       3. Senators shall maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 for the duration of their service.
       4. Senators shall pay the ASUW Student fee.
       5. Senators must maintain student enrollment at the University of Wyoming for the duration of their service.
       6. Each Senator shall be required to complete an ASUW outreach effort, to be decided upon annually by the Steering Committee.
    3. If a Senator is the RSO Relations intern and qualifies for the scholarship, they are still eligible to apply for credit from their appropriate college or school.
    4. If a senator only serves as the RSO Relations intern for one (1) semester of their two (2) semester term, they will only be exempt from the standard scholarship requirements for the semester they serve as intern.
13. If a Senator is serving as a member of the ASUW Student Outreach and Programming Committee, they may be eligible to serve as the Marketing intern.
    1. Senators who serve as the Marketing intern will not be subject to complete the outlined requirements above to qualify for the Senatorial Scholarship.
    2. Qualifications for the Senatorial Scholarship for the Marketing intern include:
       1. Service hours served through internship hours within the office.
       2. Senators shall attend one (1) public meeting of any ASUW Program, Service, or Strategic Partner per semester.
       3. Senators shall maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 for the duration of their service.
       4. Senators shall pay the ASUW Student fee.
       5. Senators must maintain student enrollment at the University of Wyoming for the duration of their service.
       6. Each Senator shall be required to complete an ASUW outreach effort, to be decided upon annually by the Steering Committee.
    3. If a Senator is the Marketing intern and qualifies for the scholarship, they are still eligible to apply for credit from their appropriate college or school.
    4. If a senator only serves as the RSO Relations intern for one (1) semester of their two (2) semester term, they will only be exempt from the standard scholarship requirements for the semester they serve as intern.