

BUDGET PROPOSAL CONTACT INFORMATION

Department Name: Associated Students of University of WA Tacoma

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Requested Amount: **\$16,365**

Departmental Information

SPECIAL ALLOCATIONS - CRITERIA

Wages request includes adjustment for the new 2023 WA State minimum wage of \$15.74 - a \$1.25 differential. This minimum wage increase was not known earlier in 2022 when the annual allocation process was open. We are requesting \$11,000.00 in additional wage funds.

We would also like to request \$3,000.00 to add to our travel funds. These funds will support the Director of Legislative Affairs and the Legislative Liaison when the state Legislation session begins. We work closely with the Washington Student Association to advocate for issues and initiatives UWT students have to the state capital. Each person is responsible for attending the meetings and legislative events in Olympia.

STUDENT UTILIZATION

The student leaders of ASUWT are focused on addressing the student issues identified in the Campus Survey and accacerbated by COVID. With an intense focus on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion as well as Covid Recovery, ASUWT will advocate every day to better our students' lives and UWT experience. Under the leadership of our President Jai 'Shon Berry, we see a rare opportunity to create real change in partnership with UWT faculty, staff, and leadership.

ASUWT's goal is to advocate student issues to make a difference. ASUWT fulfills this is by creating a legislative agenda to report to the Washington Student Association that is in Olympia WA. This year's agenda includes ways to improve UWT's childcare, housing affordability, and much more.

SPECIAL ALLOCATIONS - STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES

Due to the increase in minimum wage as of 2023, the funds given are earmarked specifically for student wages. If not given, students will have to work less hours at the start of winter quarter and throughout spring quarter.

Washington Student Association's Legislative session will be held in Winter Quarter, from early January through late April. Funds would be used within that time frame to cover possible lodging and transportation costs. We are working closely with our Legislative team to determine their specific needs.

SERVICE BENEFITS TO STUDENTS

ASUWT advocates for the UW Tacoma student body to enhance the Husky experience for all. The Board of Directors and Senators bring a unified voice to campus administration, Tri-Campus representation, and state-level government. ASUWT advocates for student voices and improves student life by providing a variety of services and events to engage with the students, voice their opinions, and create memorable experiences at UW Tacoma. ASUWT members serve on committees that have important conversations and make decisions that can benefit students.

Members of ASUWT also actively connect with students and address academic concerns by helping them find effective solutions to their problems. We bridge the gap between campus leadership and faculty to ensure that students have a voice in matters that impact them. As our campus continues to grow, it is essential for ASUWT to grow as well as to have the ability to serve as many students as we can.

An example of how we have done that already this quarter, on November 1, 2022 we held a lunch for students to learn about our initiatives for this year and get feedback from students in attendance. We had over sixty students participate in the event, and we learned about student's needs and experiences finding housing, voter registration and challenges with transportation to and from campus.

Funding from SAFC will allow us to continue to maximize our campus involvement, become more accessible to students, and chair/participate on more committees. Our connection with the Washington Student Association also gives us more access to legislative support and a voice to our state leaders. Two members of ASUWT are also serving on the WSA Executive Board this year – Jasmine Davis as the VP of Finance and Jai'Shon Berry as the VP of Diversity.

Staff Budget Requests

Category	Details	Amount Requested
Student Staff ³	Wages request includes adjustment for the new 2023 WA State minimum wage of \$15.74 - a \$1.25 differential. This minimum wage increase was not known earlier in 2022 when the annual allocation process was open. E001	
	Student Staff Wages:	\$11,000
	Fringe @ 21.5%:	\$2,365
PERSONNEL TOTAL:		\$13,365

Other Budget Requests

Category	Details	Amount Requested
Travel	We are requesting \$3,000.00 to add to our travel funds. These funds will support the Director of Legislative Affairs and the Legislative Liaison when the state Legislation session begins. S001	\$3,000
SUPPLEMENTAL TOTAL:		\$3,000

PERSONNEL TOTAL:	\$13,365
SUPPLEMENTAL TOTAL:	\$3,000
COMPLETE PROPOSAL TOTAL:	\$16,365

Supplemental Documents



WAGE AND TRAVEL FALL ALLOCATION REQUEST

The first sheet will consist our calculations that calculated the amount we need more to pay our student employees. In the second sheet it shows some information about our travel funds.