

THE SENATE OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY

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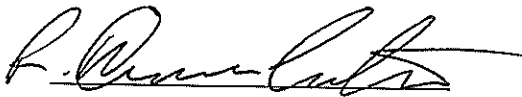
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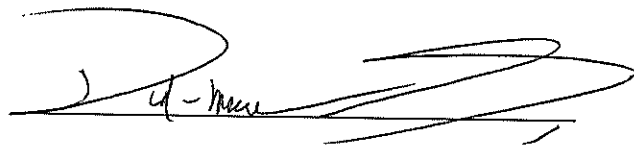
Approved by the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Body, and prepared for the presentation to the president of the Undergraduate Student Government

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Approved by the president of the Undergraduate Student Government, and so order into effect.



Harrison Carter
Speaker of the Senate



Marcus Goolsby
President of the Undergraduate Student Government

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In the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Body here assembled,

1. **Whereas**, the Undergraduate Student Government represents the undergraduate student voice
2. at Bowling Green State University; and
3. **Whereas**, Bowling Green State University and the Undergraduate Student Government
4. aims to ensure all student voices are represented within the Senate; and
5. **Whereas**, as a public university, “BGSU focuses on contributing to the public good and
6. embraces its role as a national model in addressing the educational, economic, and social
7. vitality of our region, the state of Ohio, the nation, and the world;”¹ and
8. **Whereas**, the 5th objective of the university is to “Enhance the quality and value of a BGSU
9. education ...”; and
10. **Whereas**, Bowling Green State University works to ensure students are able to graduate
11. in 4 years; and
12. **Whereas**, Bowling Green State University has a goal to reach a 50% 4-year graduation rate
13. by 2024; and
14. **Whereas**, many high achieving students choose to add double majors, extra
15. specializations, dual degrees or additional minors which increases the time spent at BGSU;
16. and
17. **Whereas**, the goal of the Deciding Student Program is for students to declare a major by
18. their third semester, meaning the first year has not been spent taking major coursework;
19. and
20. **Whereas**, the current undergraduate tuition rate allows undergraduate students to take up
21. to 18 credit hours each semester without incurring any additional fees; and

¹ <https://www.bgsu.edu/focus-on-the-future.html>

22. **Whereas**, Purdue University ², Penn State University ³, The University of Illinois at
23. Urbana Champaign ⁴, Rutgers University ⁵, the University of Southern California ⁶, and The
24. Ohio State University⁷ have instituted policies that allow undergraduate students to petition
25. to take over 18 credit hours per semester without having to pay any additional fees.

26. **Therefore, let it be resolved that**, the Undergraduate Student Government at Bowling
27. Green State University supports the adoption of policies and procedures that allow specific
28. students to take up to 21 credit hours each semester without having to incur any additional
29. fees with advisor referral/permission; and

31. **Let it be Further Resolved** these students will be defined as those taking advantage of
32. internships and research, those who would not graduate in four years without credit
33. overloading, and those who have applied to graduate.

² <https://www.purdue.edu/registrar/currentStudents/students/registrationOverride.html>

³ http://www.registrar.psu.edu/registration/adding_courses.cfm

⁴ <https://las.illinois.edu/academics/courses/loadcredit>

⁵ <https://nbregistrar.rutgers.edu/undergrad/enrol-nb.htm#limit>

⁶ <https://classes.usc.edu/registration/>

⁷ https://usg.osu.edu/posts/documents/doc_432017_143520152.pdf

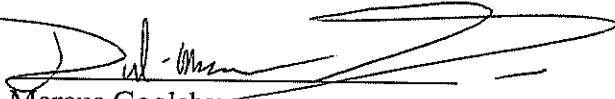
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Passes by the Senate and ordered presented to the president of the Undergraduate Student Body for Approval or Veto.



Harrison Carter
Speaker of the Senate

I do hereby approve and order this legislation into effect.



Marcus Goolsby
President of the Undergraduate Student Government

I do hereby disapprove and order this legislation to be returned to the Senate.

Marcus Goolsby
President of the Undergraduate Student Government