

# STUDENT GOVERNMENT



## ACCOMPLISHMENTS — FALL 2016

### IMPROVED STUDENT GOVERNMENT

#### Record numbers for student government

During the fall semester, we had 78 members of Student Government who were either elected officials, appointed officials, or members of one of our committees. [2013-2014 had 19 members, 2014-2015 had 21 members, and 2015-2016 had 56 members].



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#### New bylaws



In the fall, we passed new bylaws to better serve the organization. The bylaws were adopted unanimously by the Student Council. Created the Public Interest Committee to strengthen the public interest community on campus, improve policies affecting public interest careers, and foster a spirit of public service among students.

#### Speaking with the voice of the student body through student resolutions

In order to represent the opinion of the Student Body on important issues affecting our school and community, we passed several formal Student Resolutions this semester.

The elected and appointed leadership is majority women and majority people of color.

#### Resolutions included:

- endorsing the the HUDS strike
- Supporting a bar prep reimbursement program for public interest students
- Recognizing Indigenous Peoples' Day
- Supporting the creation of an addiction law journal at HLS.



### REFORMING THE ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE AT HLS

#### Reformed the printing system

We replaced the old HLS printing system, which often suffered from jams, delays, and software malfunctions. The revamped system allows you to release your documents from anywhere on campus! [In a poll of the Student Body, three-quarters of students who were familiar with the old system thought that the new system was an improvement.]

#### Class recordings on Election Day

On an election day, classes were recorded so that students were free to engage in related activities such as voting, helping out at polling stations, or volunteering for a campaign, without fear of falling behind in their classes.

#### Online course syllabi

We secured student access to course syllabi online in advance of class registration, and view a new online syllabi archive.

#### Extending library hours

Succeeded in getting the library to agree to extend the hours during finals and the Law Review competition. This provides students with a quiet, consistent place to study.

#### Criminal Procedure: Investigations

We worked with the administration to ensure there will be a Criminal Procedure: Investigations course in Spring 2017. The class will be taught by Tracey Maclin, a professor from Boston University Law School.

### RESHAPING CAMPUS

#### New Features at the Library

After students raised concerns, we got the library to agree to offer calculators for checkout for classes that require them, and to install more standing desks for students to use while studying.

#### Accessible Computers

We obtained new desks for the WCC computers to make them wheelchair compatible.

#### Public Fridge

Working with other students, a new public fridge was added to the Student Org Lounge in the WCC to reduce food waste. Extra food from events can be stored there for anyone to take.

#### Table Tennis @ the Pub

Student Government purchased a table tennis converter top for the pool table in the Pub. Students now have more entertainment options in the Pub.

### COMMUNITY-WIDE EVENTS

#### Organized 2nd Student Leadership Summit

Record-breaking fundraising for Thanksgiving Charity Dinner

#### Cosponsored Self-Care Workshop with HALT and OSAPR

Hundreds attended our Halloween Party

#### Health & Wellness Committee hosted Title IX Office Hours

Grad Student Unionization Town Hall with BSA