

**HLS Student Government
2025-2026 Elections**

Candidate(s): Joshua Koegel

Position: Director of Student Organizations

Candidate Statement:

Hi everyone,

My name is Joshua Koegel, and I'm excited to announce my candidacy for Director of Student Organizations! Student organizations are at the heart of life on campus—they bring us together, give us a voice, and drive meaningful change. If we want to see real improvements at HLS, it will take collective advocacy between student orgs. As Director of Student Organizations, I want to strengthen collaboration among groups to ensure that our shared priorities are met, including securing more funding for public interest, expanding both physical and mental health services, and reopening vital student resources like the Hark Café.

Harvard Law students pursuing public interest careers should have access to greater financial support. Many student orgs work tirelessly to connect students with opportunities in public service, and I will fight for increased funding and institutional support to make public interest work more financially sustainable.

Student well-being should be a top priority. Many student orgs serve as support networks, and I will advocate for expanding physical and mental health services to ensure students have the resources they need to thrive—whether that means more accessible counseling, wellness initiatives, or improved healthcare options.

Finally, we need to reopen and revitalize essential student resources that foster community and convenience. Spaces like the Hark Café aren't just about food—they're gathering places that bring student organizations and peers together. I will push for their reopening and improvement so that HLS remains a place where students can connect, recharge, and collaborate.

I'd love to hear your thoughts or suggestions—feel free to reach out to me at JKoegel@JD27.law.harvard.edu.

Again, my name is Joshua Koegel, and I would love to serve as your next Director of Student Organizations. Let's work together to empower student orgs and create lasting, positive change at HLS!

Best,
Joshua Koegel