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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT & VICE-PRESIDENT

Mayu Takeuchi '23 & Hannah Kapoor '23

We started the semester in the midst of the spread of the Omicron variant. Together, we've come a long way: we've made it through our first fully in-person semester since the onset of the pandemic in the spring 2019. We thank our team for all their hard work this past semester, and we thank you for the opportunity to serve during these extraordinary times.

Through it all, as your Undergraduate Student Government, we've prioritized students' physical, mental, and overall well-being above all else. Our mission is to serve, represent, and advocate for the student body, both individually and collectively, all while proactively listening, celebrating diversity, and strengthening an inclusive campus community.

We envision a **dynamic community of care**. We seek to celebrate students' diverse ideas and backgrounds, and to support individual and community growth, including through sometimes challenging and uncomfortable **dialogue**. For us, to lead is to serve; we value active listening, communication, and trust, all towards meaningful transparency. We aspire towards a student body in which students are not only empowered but eager to serve their communities, especially in times of adversity. Above all, we strive towards a community of care: care for ourselves, for each other, and for our community as a whole.

With this Mid-Year Report, we share the recent and current work as well as the forward-looking priorities of the USG. This semester, we've **prioritized mental health** advocacy, we've seen the establishment of academic **minors**, and brought to life a variety of programming including the first-ever Porchfest and Sustainability Coffeehouse and the first spring Lawnparties since 2019. Our work will continue into the summer as we advocate for better mental health care access and resources, pursue **reforms** to develop a more effective and **representative** USG, begin planning programming for the fall, and more.

Positioned in our values of transparency and accountability, we deliver this Report to further engage with the student body, to both share our advocacy and garner your feedback. Whether you read it cover to cover or skim the sections that interest you, we encourage you to share your thoughts and feedback with any of your representatives, or with us at usg@princeton.edu. **We appreciate and are eager to engage with your input** as we move forward into the summer and fall semester.



LETTER FROM THE U-COUNCIL CHAIR

Riley Martinez '23

Hello everyone, I'm Riley Martinez—the current University Council (U-Council) Chair. It has been an honor to serve in this position under Mayu and Hannah. We have completed many successful initiatives so far, and we will only continue to grow together to best serve the student body.

The U-Councilors represent the entire undergraduate student body. Thus a large part of our role is targeting specific policy areas through task forces. The role is purposefully fluid so that each U-Councilor can tackle initiatives they care about and based on their unique skills. U-Councilors have driven progress in a wide range of areas that you will be able to read about throughout this report.

A unique responsibility of U-Councilors is to serve on the Council of the Princeton University Committee (CPUC), and this semester has been a fruitful one for the CPUC. Regarding the University's **dissociation from fossil fuels**, we heard extensive updates and a clear outline for the final announcement coming out by the end of the academic year. As U-Councilors, we provided oversight and amplified student input. We did this alongside passionate student activists beyond USG actively involved in shaping the end-product to come; and for that I thank you greatly.

The U-Council has also engaged topics including COVID-19 policies, the forthcoming introduction of minors to the University's academic opportunities, and President Eisgruber's Town Hall—where we reflected on the past year and ensured student voices were incorporated into the **vision** of the University's future. Additionally, a priority of Mayu and Hannah's administration has been improving mental health access, care, and centrality on campus; through the CPUC Executive Committee, we advocated for an agenda that included a fruitful conversation between CPS/McCosh and the many CPUC administrators, faculty, staff, and students.

I thank the students who participated in these conversations at CPUC or reached out to U-Councilors directly to provide input—**your voices are invaluable** to the progress made this semester. As a future note, I encourage students to reach out to me or anyone in USG if there is something in particular they would like to see discussed at CPUC. The USG Office is open frequently, my email is always accessible, and we are prepared to listen.

I'd like to give a special thanks to this semester's U-Councilors: Alen, Anna, Carlisle, Eric, Isabella, Jiwon, Mo, Stephen, and Vian for the great semester. I thank you for your thoughtful contributions, and I look forward to leading a new wave of U-Councilors serving the student body in the fall semester. **PAGE 4**

COMMITTEES

Overview & Guide

The majority of USG's work comes to life in our (now six!) Core Committees: **Academics; Student Life; Social; Campus & Community Affairs; Sustainability; and Diversity, Equity & Inclusion.** Most recently, the student body established the DEI Core Committee via referendum in the Spring 2022 Election (read more via the DEI Committee, p. 11).

Each of these committees develops their own policy proposals and programmatic initiatives, which are then presented to and implemented by the Senate at-large. In this way, the committee system helps ensure that USG is able to give specific attention to a variety of different areas of interest for the student body.

On the right is a list of the six Core Committees with their respective Committee Chairs and page numbers for the Committee-specific pages in this report.

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Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Chair: Braiden Aaronson '25



ACADEMICS COMMITTEE

Chair: Austin Davis '23

In Spring 2022, the Academics Committee has been hard at work on delivering quality policy, programming, and guidance to students to improve their academic journey at Princeton. Foremost, Committee advocacy resulted in the official creation of an **academic minors** program, which will go live in Fall 2023. This program is a major divergence from the existing certificates program: all academic units—including departments—will be able to form minor courses of study. Additionally, a student's minor will be present on the transcript, whereas the same was not done for certificates. These changes will not only increase the **much-needed recognition of hard-working students** interested in multiple fields but enable students to elect minors from fields not previously offered by the University.

Our work with academic minors is not yet complete. Most notably, the Committee will assist with the creation of guidance to academic advisors on minors. Especially in the Classes of 2025, 2026, and perhaps 2027, students will have to navigate a changing academic landscape in which there will likely be programs that carry “minor” or “certificate” nomenclature. It is important that new advising guidelines help prepare students to navigate this environment and make the decisions that are best for them.

The Committee has also undertaken several smaller yet important projects. In February, we published our **health** report, analyzing data collected in Fall 2021 about student illness and academics. This report has informed our work on the creation of an ‘Academic Policies’ module on Canvas that will go live next year. Additionally, the Winter 2021 referendum on **midterm grades** has become standing recommendation to the faculty from the Dean of the College. While we continue to aim for a more institutionalized version of our referendum, these are good strides to improving the information available to students at the midterm.

Last, the Committee has initiated advocacy that will carry over into the next term. First, we have been discussing **disciplinary infractions** with the Office of Financial Aid; we strive to lower the burden placed on students held responsible for disciplinary infractions serious enough to warrant a leave from the University. Second, the Committee is planning a series of fall focus groups on **grading** and assessment. Third, the Committee plans on devising additional guidance to students on **technology** for educational purposes. Fourth, we hope to continue our work in implementing pathways for **student activism** around the University curriculum to be heard.

In the meantime, we encourage students to reach out to us with questions, concerns, or suggestions.

STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE

Chair: Avi Attar '25

The Undergraduate Student Life Committee is responsible for actively working towards solving relevant issues pertaining to student life on and off campus, including but not limited to **dining, housing**, discipline, and public health. After a period of dormancy during the pandemic, the USLC is once again active and since restarting work, we have embarked on a number of projects. We are excited to share some of the highlights here!

We have been working to establish a QR Code system which will allow students to share **feedback** about and be connected to the right community member (Contact: Ashley Olenkiewicz). We intend to have this system up and running by the end of the school year.

The USLC has also been supporting the creation of a student-run EMS program (Contact: Umar Aulia).

Furthermore, the USLC has worked to facilitate conversations around academic integrity, to understand how the pandemic has affected these processes, and to identify how

students can be best supported through these processes. This work has culminated in the creation of a USG Senate **Ad Hoc Committee on Student Disciplinary Processes** (Contact: Stephen Daniels).

Lastly, the USLC has led in several areas of the work of the University Student Life Committee, which has been focusing on Campus Safety, Wintersession, **Sexual Climate and Culture**, and more (Contact: Avi Attar).

The members of the USLC are David Piegaro, Samuel Massick, Umar Aulia, Mary Alice Jouve, Hiba Siddiki, Sokol Hoxha, Aniket Mukherji, Ashley Olenkiewicz, Charlotte Walsh, Ovinabo Banerjee, Kyle Li, Anel Askar, Niccolo Platt, Gustavo Andre Blanco Quiroga, Jenna Elliot. I am grateful to each for their contributions to this work.

If you are interested in learning more about this work or getting in touch for any reason, please feel free to reach out to Committee Chair Avi Attar at abattar@princeton.edu or anyone else listed in this update.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Chair: Madison Linton '24

Throughout the semester, the USG Social Committee has been dedicated to being a voice for students when it comes to **Lawnparties** and Dean's Date Celebration. Social Committee Chair, Madison Linton, worked very closely with members of the Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Students as well as other members of the Executive Committee of USG to be able to make both of these events happen.

In light of the events that occurred during the Fall Semester Lawnparties, the Social Committee sent out a **Lawnparties Interest Form** to all members of the undergraduate student body and received 1,130 responses, all of which were taken into consideration when planning the Spring 2022 Lawnparties.

The Committee was determined to ensure that attending students felt both **secure** and **comfortable** at this Spring's Lawnparties by creating maps and schedules that clearly marked the availability and locations of food and water, and maintaining a strong security presence throughout the entire event. Despite the concert venue location change to Frist North Lawn (occupancy: 4000) from Quadrangle Club's backyard (occupancy:

3000) due to construction proximal to Quad's backyard, the event still had a **large turnout** of students (3,826 undergraduates, 291 guests, 42 graduate students), the majority of whom provided positive **feedback**.

The Committee recently sent out a **Post-Lawnparties survey** to the undergraduate body to collect data about the aspects of Lawnparties that should be evaluated in the future to further understand the students' feelings regarding the event.

Current members of the USG Social Committee are Bharvi Chavre, Lauren Fahlberg, Elliott Hyon, Andrew Jung, Ellie Mueller, Cynthia Nwankwo, Sophie Pye, Caroline Schuckel, Dusu Sidibay, and Ben Wachspres. I thank each of these Committee members for their thoughtful engagement and contributions.

If you have any feedback, please contact Social Committee Chair Madison Linton at mlinton@princeton.edu.

CAMPUS & COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Chair: Isabella Shutt '24

Tigers In Town

This semester USG invested \$12,000 in the Tigers In Town program; each week students received free food items from local restaurants. Following the instructions in our weekly newsletters, students registered for a time slot on MyPrincetonU. They then scanned a QR code at the business, prompting a “Checked-In” status on their phone which they showed to staff to receive a **discount** on their order (always enough to cover **popular choices**). USG pays for the total amount of product, **supporting local businesses and reducing financial barriers** to social events in town. This semester we spread our programming across twelve different businesses while ensuring **inclusive** programming with vegan and gluten-free options as well as our Iftar in Town at Halo Pub.

On April 13, CCA moved our weekly Tigers In Town to the University **Farmer’s Market**. We offered \$3,000 worth of coupons to be spent at the five local vendors present. Students were able to receive free flowers, desserts, nut butters, granola, and produce. On April 27, CCA hosted our first ever **Tiger Trivia In Town** with Fresca Bowl & Poke Mahi. Led by Committee Member Vicky

Feng, the event featured free four course meals from a secret menu, prizes for trivia winners, and a bike raffle.

Tigers In Town was not designed to and is unable to provide every student with access to free food from Nassau. However, with the potential for more students to access local eateries as part of their University meal plan (see Community Dining Task Force report), Tigers In Town may shift to a supporting role in undergraduate programming. CCA will redesign the current model to best support student groups as they continue providing **fun opportunities** for students to frequent local businesses.

Porchfest

On April 23, the Arts Council of Princeton hosted a town-wide music festival called Porchfest. CCA hosted a stage for ten student performers, with financial support from ODUS, and placed two student performers at off-campus stages/porches. With a shifting crowd in front of 185 Nassau of young children, elders, young adults, and students hovering around one hundred attendees, the day was full of music and fun!

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Chair: Audrey Zhang '25

We at the USG SusComm championed our core values of L.O.V.E., or being lucid, open, virtuous, and, equitable, and created a safe, welcoming space for students to **mindfully** consider **sustainability and wellbeing**.

We hosted a **Coffeehouse** in the Eco-Lounge (Frist 118). Our event featured an art exhibition titled “L.O.V.E. and Sustainability” of student artwork and poetry, a cypher performance by Sympoh Urban Arts Crew, a message about sustainability from the Princeton Student Climate Initiative, coffee and pastries from The Coffee Club, and a mug painting activity. We encouraged attendees to bring their own mugs as well.

For **Lawnparties**, we gave out 200 reusable silicone collapsible cups as a pilot to make Lawnparties G.R.E.E.N., or great, respectful, environmental, equitable, and nifty. We will survey students' reactions to gauge interest in cups for our next Lawnparties.

This semester, we connected with the Office of Sustainability's Dr. Shana Weber, Ellen Fischer, Kristi L. Wiedemann, Ijeoma D. Nwagwu, Kitty Helm, and Gina M. Talt as well as Campus Dining's Sustainability Manager, Sarah Bavuso. Moving forward, we aim to expand our advocacy to reduce waste in

dining, including through the implementing reusable take-out containers.

We communicated with Karen Fanning from Facilities too, regarding campus **construction** and its role in campus sustainability and our transition to clean energy. We discussed a potential future partnership with the Office of Wintersession and Campus Engagement.

Next semester, we plan to scale up the Coffeehouse into an “Eco-Festival” that combines the arts, sciences, and humanities in the name of sustainability.

We are open to new ideas from the student body, so if you're interested in **sustainability**, **wellbeing**, **art**—or all three and more—please email Committee Chair Audrey Zhang at az5221@princeton.edu.

Members: Aaron Serianni, Abby de Riel, Andrew Zucker, Angie Allen, Anna Cornelissen, April Dong, Aria Lupo, Corey Segal, Conor Warren, Eddie Button, Ellie Naider, Emma Limor, Greg Serrano Arevalo, Joshua Rogers, Joyce Mo, Kim Tran, Matthew Pickering, Megan Santamore, Nora Goodman, Patrick Newcombe, Sara Shiff, Sean Bradley, Shana Chen, Thomas Coulouras, Valerie Neske.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION COMMITTEE

Chair: Braiden Aaronson '25

The biggest goal of the DEI Committee this semester was to reestablish itself after being inactive in recent USG history. We led an all-hands-on-deck effort between fellow USG representatives, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, and the student body to make the DEI Committee a Core Committee of the USG. This was accomplished through the passing of the **DEI Committee**

Institutionalization Referendum in this semester's election, allowing the committee to take on a structure conducive to long term change and binding the committee by a thorough charter. This is a major milestone for DEI in USG, but it is only the beginning.

The Committee has connected with the following partners to begin establishing long term policy change with a DEI focus: Office of Diversity & Inclusion, Carl A. Fields Center, University Student Life Committee, Gender + Sexuality Resources Center, and Athletics. Many of these were introductory conversations aimed towards amplifying student voices moving forward.

A major goal of the Committee over the coming semester is to look at improving current **affinity spaces** and identifying need and demand for additional affinity spaces.

In the fall, we plan to host focus groups aimed

towards optimizing affinity spaces to be the best they can be for students that utilize them, in partnership with relevant student groups.

The Committee has established monthly meetings with Vice Provost Michele Minter and Associate Provost Shawn Maxam in the Office for Institutional Equity & Diversity, conveying recommendations to ensure **transparency and accountability** on DEI work at Princeton. In the last part of the semester, the Committee has been working to analyze DEI efforts both by Administrations and student governments of peer institutions to report recommendations to the University.

As the Committee transitions from the initial setup stage into an established Core Committee in USG, we hope to lean more into sustained connections with top DEI-focused administrators. We are beginning to plan USG town hall meetings with administrators to discuss DEI-related initiatives, concerns, and suggestions.

I want to extend great appreciation to the four committee members who helped work through many of the initial growing pains of reestablishing this Committee: Anika Asthana, Pedro Moranchel, Kelly Park, Rodolfo Pineda

TASK FORCES AND OTHER INITIATIVES

Overview & Guide

For a number of key campus issues, USG works through Task Forces, which are small teams of Senate members. These Task Forces often involve cross-Committee collaboration and engagement.

This semester, we chartered eight task forces: these are the **Mental Health Resources, Housing, Disability, Community Dining, Move-out & Resale, First Year Experience, Viewpoint Diversity, and Transfer Student Task Forces**. The two task forces not included in this report have begun initial planning; they will deliver public updates as their work picks up moving into the summer and fall semester.

In addition to task forces, we established initiatives surrounding **Surveys & Data** (see p. 19). We also have a USG Reform Project that will be delivering regular public updates over the summer.

On the right is a list of our task forces and initiatives, with their respective Chairs and page numbers for the initiative-specific pages in this report.

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MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES TASK FORCE

Co-Chairs:: Stephen Daniels '24 & Anna Sivaraj '23

The Mental Health Resources Task Force, co-chaired by Stephen Daniels and Anna Sivaraj, has worked to increase both the **resources** available to students and the **visibility** and **accessibility** of existing resources.

The passage of the referendum is a meaningful first step towards increasing the mental health resources available to students, but it is only the beginning. Over the summer, we will work with the Office of Campus Life to pursue steps including but not limited to:

- Analyze the **funding** that students can use to defray mental health care costs,
- Identify more on-campus spaces that can be used for **telehealth** appointments,
- Investigate the barriers that prevent students from following through with **off-campus** referrals,
- Ensure that the resources available on campus work for students of all backgrounds and **identities**, and
- Determine how residential colleges can better support their students' mental health.

These goals are all in service of our goal to increase the mental health resources available to students; the rest of our work has been and will continue to be dedicated towards increasing the visibility of currently existing resources.

We are collaborating with the Director of Counseling & Psychological Services (CPS) to develop a video that provides a **walkthrough** of the CPS facility and a guide of making an appointment online. The goal of the video is to provide a practical introduction and reduce barriers to mental health care on campus.

In addition, we have worked to increase the visibility of resources by building stronger relationships with USG partners like the Mental Health Initiative, student community partners like **Princeton Peer Nightline**, and administrative partners like Tigerwell. These stronger relationships resulted in the special Mental Health Edition of the USG Newsletter which compiled information from all of these groups in order to make their work more **accessible** to the student body. We plan to continue our goal of making this information more accessible to students by developing a more permanent resource in the future.

If you have any questions, feedback, or are interested in getting involved, please feel free to contact Stephen (stephendaniels@princeton.edu) or Anna (asivaraj@princeton.edu).

HOUSING TASK FORCE

Co-Chairs: Sean Bradley '24 & Mariam Latif '24

The Housing Task Force seeks to address serious student concerns regarding Princeton University's housing and facilities. From **air conditioning** to **room draw**, this task force addresses issues that are integral to the student experience at Princeton. We have worked toward creating an equitable and comfortable environment for all undergraduate students during their four years at the university.

Using a report compiled by the task force in Fall 2021, we met with administrators including the Director of Housing, the VP of Facilities, the Dean of the College, and the Vice President for Campus Life to encourage and push them toward real solutions for our student body. We recognize that something like a lack of **AC** is not just a housing issue but also a mental health issue, an academic issue, and critical to the Princeton experience.

Another area of focus for our task force has been the construction throughout campus. We want our student body to fully understand why and how the **construction** will impact their daily lives and we have voiced student concerns to the administration regarding that impact. We have also worked to help better **transparency** and communication with

students regarding on-campus construction. While we are excited to see our campus receiving needed and important work, especially propelling its clean energy transition, we also want to make our campus **accessible** for all students.

Finally, we have been doing exciting work regarding **transportation** on our campus. From helping the Office of Capital Projects reimagine what Elm Drive can be to working with transportation administration to help improve public and free transportation options on campus, there is an exciting opportunity, particularly with the opening of the **new residential colleges**, to make traversing campus more convenient and accessible for students no matter where they live.

We look forward to continuing this work and more into the coming Fall 2022 semester. For more information, please reach out to task force chairs Mariam Latif (latif@princeton.edu) & Sean Bradley (seanpb@princeton.edu).

DISABILITY TASK FORCE

Co-Chairs: Naomi Hess '22 & Jennifer Lee '23

The Disability Task Force, co-chaired by Naomi Hess and Jennifer Lee, focuses on improving the University experience for students with disabilities. Naomi and Jennifer met with Ned, Carlisle, and Dillion about the USG survey on March 23 to ensure that there were questions about **disability accommodations and accessibility** within the survey. Several questions on these topics made it into the final survey, such as a question about satisfaction with housing accommodations and a question about locations on campus that present accessibility barriers. These data points will help inform the work of the task force in the future.

The task force collaborated with the AccessAbility Center Fellows to lead a **training** on accessibility for incoming **eating club** officers. The training included information about how to use appropriate language to discuss disability, how to plan accessible events, and how to create a more inclusive club environment.

The task force also discussed the necessity of expanding the disability studies course options. On April 11, 2022, Naomi and Jennifer convened a meeting with Dean Jill Dolan, Austin Davis (USG Academics

Committee Chair), Elizabeth Colagiuri (ODOC), Rebekah Peeples (Associate Dean of the College), Noah Buchholz (Lecturer in Linguistics), and Liz Erickson (Director for Disability Services). This meeting was meant to explore the timeline and steps necessary to create a more formalized course of **Disability Studies**. In regards to action items, the task force will be working closely with Professor Buchholz throughout summer 2022 to identify possible guest lecturers, faculty nominations from Princeton and other universities, and entry points for housing a Disability Studies program under the Effron Center of American Studies or the Program in Gender and Sexuality Studies.

For more information, please reach out to co-chairs Naomi Hess at nihess@princeton.edu or Jennifer Lee at nahyunl@princeton.edu.

COMMUNITY DINING TASK FORCE

Chair: Stephen Daniels '24

The Community Dining task force has spent this semester taking what we learned from the fall pilot and using that information to work with administration to flesh out a way to implement **in-town options into the unlimited meal plan**.

During this semester, our partners in the administration identified **technology** that can make in-town dining feasible which was one of the main barriers remaining. We have also started to finalize the actual **structure** of the program which has included thinking through which community partners would be included at the very start of the project.

Although we cannot officially announce anything now, we are extremely optimistic that there will be some very exciting news about community dining in the near future.

Please contact Stephen Daniels, the chair of this task force, at stephendaniels@princeton.edu if you have any questions.

MOVE-OUT & RESALE TASK FORCE

Chair: Sean Bradley '24

The Move Out & Resale program is an incredible program currently offered by the Office of Sustainability which allows students to not only discard their dorm furnishings in a **sustainable** and environmentally friendly manner but also provides an opportunity for other students to purchase that furniture at an **affordable price**. This task force examines that program and the problems it may face currently as well as what the future of that program may be.

By working with administrators, we hope to institutionalize this program which is a key part of the **move-out** process. We want to make it clear that this program is not simply in pursuit of sustainability, but is a valued part of

the Princeton experience as a whole. We have worked with the administration and stakeholders to make sure this program lasts and we believe that it has a bright **future** at Princeton University.

For more information, please reach out to Sean Bradley at seanpb@princeton.edu

FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE TASK FORCE

Co-Chairs: Ned Dockery '25 & Walker Penfield '25

The First-Year Experience Task Force, co-chaired by Class of 2025 Senators Ned Dockery and Walker Penfield, focuses on improving aspects of the first-year experience for future incoming classes. The **transition** to higher education always poses a unique challenge, and Princeton can be especially difficult for students to adapt to for various reasons. Our goal is to make future first-year students feel as supported as possible as they step foot into the Orange Bubble.

Throughout this semester, we've focused on three main categories of the first-year experience: Academics, Campus Life, and Mental Health.

On Academics, we've met with Dean Thompson to advocate for adjusting the schedule and format of **First Year Residential Experience (FYRE) programming** based on students' needs, and we've talked with the heads of the residential colleges about improving **academic advising** in advance of fall class registration to help first years start the semester on the right foot.

On Campus Life, we're collaborating with the Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Students to better utilize **MyPrincetonU** to give students easy access to information about **extracurriculars** and other students.

Finally, on Mental Health, we've worked with the **Mental Health Resources** Task Force to establish new resources to close knowledge gaps and barriers to care for first years entering Princeton. As an overarching project, we are also developing a comprehensive first-year guide to offer a resource "by students, for students" on various aspects of the first-year experience.

If you have any thoughts, questions, or would like to get involved with the First-Year Experience Task Force's efforts, please contact edockery@princeton.edu or wpenfield@princeton.edu.

SURVEYS & DATA

Leads: Ned Dockery '25 & Carlisle Imperial '25

In the third week of April 2022, the USG released the Official USG Survey to collect data about undergraduate sentiments regarding specific issues, knowledge about USG processes, and desires for **future** USG policy. As we thought through what USG priorities should be for the next semester, we realized that we lacked some specific pieces of data that would help us understand the concerns of the student body.

In the survey, we ask questions to collect data on a variety of themes related to USG work including **mental health, diversity, academics, facilities, the first-year experience, Tigers in Town and much more**. We worked closely with Princeton's Office of Institutional Research to create a survey that would produce meaningful data that could be used for **policy decisions** without duplicating the questions asked in the Year End Assessment Survey. The USG plans

to analyze the results in the coming months and apply what we learn as we begin **planning** our policy work for the Fall 2022 semester.

We would like to thank the members of the USG for working with the USG Survey Team in the question development process and Vice Provost Jed Marsh for his guidance during the creation process;

USG & THE CPUC

The Council of the Princeton University Community (CPUC) is a permanent conference of the representatives of all major groups of the University where community stakeholders congregate to raise problems and concerns, and exchange perspectives surrounding campus issues. These conferences, which usually occur six times a year, are open to the entire community.

Through a cohort of U-Councilors, under the leadership of Riley Martinez '23, the USG has permanent representation and integration within the general CPUC. The CPUC, however, also oversees several standing and special committees that work throughout the year to address specific matters of community importance. In addition to their roles on the USG, several USG representatives serve on CPUC Committees alongside faculty and administrators to further advocate for and represent the Undergraduate Student Body.

USG Representation on CPUC Committees:

Priorities Committee

Austin Davis '23, Academics Chair

Resources Committee

Hannah Kapoor '23, Vice - President

Anna Sivraj '23, U-Councilor

Rights and Rules Committee

Kate Liu '23, Parliamentarian

Special Committee on Naming

Kanishkh Kanodia '23

Ad Hoc Committee on Sexual Climate, Culture and Conduct

Hannah Kapoor '23, Vice-President

TREASURER'S REPORT

Adam Hoffman '23

Over this past semester, USG has found new and **creative** ways to save money while also supporting **robust student programming**. We have upgraded our spend recording and reimbursement processes, materially changing how USG interacts with money.

Even after supporting the continuation of past initiatives and funding new ones, we will end the semester with a budget surplus. We remain committed to **maximizing our impact** on the student body. USG is thankful for the many partners who support our work and our student community, and we look forward to bigger and better things next semester!

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Budget for Spring 2022

From student activity fees:

~\$44 per student per semester

Other (committee operations, TigerApps, etc.)
20%

Mental Health Initiative
2.5%

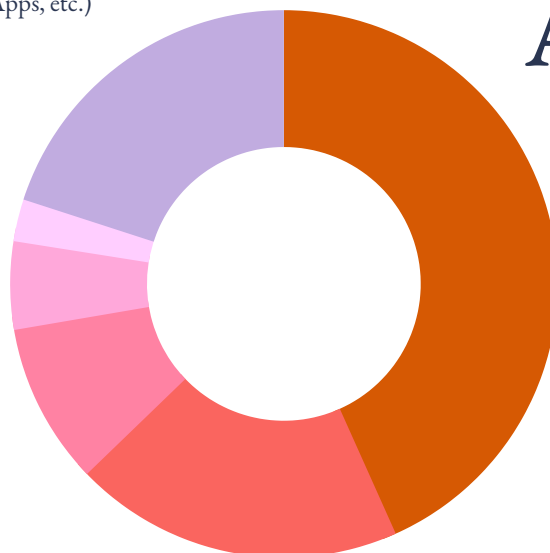
Tigers in Town
5.2%

USG Movies
9.5%

Projects Board
19.5%

Lawnparties
43.3%

Budget Allocations



TEAM

President: Mayu Takeuchi '23
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Director of Communications: Sarah Sharma '25

Academics Committee Chair: Austin Davis '23
Student Life Committee Chair: Avi Attar '25
Social Committee Chair: Madison Linton '24
Campus & Community Affairs Committee Chair: Isabella Shutt '24
Sustainability Committee Chair: Audrey Zhang '25
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Chair: Braiden Aaronson '25

Class of '23 Senators: Gisell Curbelo & Kanishkh Kanodia
Class of '24 Senators: Mariam Latif & Sean Bradley
Class of '25 Senators: Ned Dockery & Walker Penfield

U-Council Chair: Riley Martinez '23
U-Councilors: Alen Palic '23, Anna Sivaraj '23, Carlisle Imperial '25, Eric Sklanka '23, Isabella Shutt '24, Jiwon Yun '22, Mo Jishi '23, Stephen Daniels '24, and Vian Wagatsuma '23

Parliamentarian: Kate Liu '23
Chief Elections Manager: Brian Li '24

Disabilities Task Force Co-Chairs: Naomi Hess '22 & Jennifer Lee '23
Alumni Affairs Chairs: Luke Baxter '24 & Cynthia NywanKo '25
Historian: Caitlin McNally '24
Website Manager: Ceon Sun '23
Projects Board Co-Chairs: Stephane Sartzetakis '22, Nelson Dimpter '22, & Jen No '22
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