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# How to Fill Out a Req

Student Government Accounting

# This is a “Req”

- ▶ A “Req” can be found online at <https://usac.ucla.edu/funding/sga/req/>

 **SGA GENERAL REQUISITION FORM**

**Requisition Number:**  
400,001

**Preparer's Info:**  
**Date \***

**Name \***  
   
**Email \***  **Phone \***

**Payee's Info:**  
**Name (As it should appear on check) \***  
  
**UCLA Department (If Payee is UC Regents)**  **Attention**   
**Address \***

**UID (For Payee, if applicable)**  **Phone**   
**Student Group/Dept. Name \***  **4-Digit Group/Dept. Number**

**Purpose of Payment:**  
**Action to be taken - Check one \***  
☐ Purchase Order (P.O.) ☐ Reimbursement Check ☐ Cash Advance Check  
☐ Payment of Invoice ☐ Honorarium Payment ☐ Other  
**If Other, please specify:**

For all Honorarium payments: please attached the federal W-9 form (or W-9BEN if payee is a foreign person), along with

- 1) ASUCLA Performance Agreement for payments under \$2,000, or
- 2) ASUCLA Contract for payments \$2,000 and above
- 3) If Payee is a non-profit organization, attach their 501(c)(3) Determination Letter

**Payment Delivery Options:**  
**Check one \***  
☐ Mail to the address shown above (Not available for Cash Advances) ☐ Purchase Order pick-up  
☐ Purchase Order email ☐ Check pick-up  
**For Check or Purchase Order pick up, provide the following:**

# Before You Start

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A few tips that can help us process your req faster...

- ▶ **Consolidate Reqs – One req per payee, per event.**  
*You only need to fill out one req even if attaching many receipts.*  
*Using separate reqs for each receipt can result in longer processing times.*
- ▶ **Check the latest budget report to make sure funds are available.**  
*You can get your weekly budgets at <http://usac.ucla.edu/funding/sga/budget/>*

# Section 1 – Preparer's Info

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## Preparer's Info:

Date \*



Name \*

Email \*

Phone \*

- ▶ Enter in this section **YOUR** information.
- ▶ Please use an e-mail address that you check regularly, as you will be updated of the status and notify if there are any problems with your “Req”.

## Section 2 – Payee's Info

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### Payee's Info:

Name (As it should appear on check) \*

UCLA Department (If Payee is UC Regents)

Attention

Address \*

UID (For Payee, if applicable)

Phone

Student Group/Dept. Name \*

4-Digit Group/Dept. Number

- ▶ This is the **person/company who the check will be made out to.**
- ▶ **Do not** make cash advance checks out to a retail store directly (like Costco or Staples).  
*Many stores do not accept corporate checks. Others will not accept preprinted checks if the price changes.*
- ▶ Enter the Student Group's name and number. *(This is the 4<sup>th</sup> segment in your account number, usually starting with 1, 2 or 3 for most undergraduate organizations).*  
**Do not enter the full account number here.**

## Section 3 – Purpose of Payment

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- ▶ What are you requesting from SGA?
- ▶ **Purchase Order:** An agreement that allows the vendor to charge SGA directly.
  - ▶ You must first **ask the vendor** if they accept our Purchase Orders!
  - ▶ SGA is not allowed to set up credit accounts with outside vendors *per ASUCLA policies*.
  - ▶ **SGA cannot place an order** on your behalf – *you will need to negotiate with the vendor yourself. You should treat the PO as a form of payment only.*

Typical processing time  
**1-3 business days**  
after SGA receives your paperwork

### Purpose of Payment:

Action to be taken - Check one \*

☒ Purchase Order (P.O.) ☐ Reimbursement Check ☐ Cash Advance Check  
☐ Payment of Invoice ☐ Honorarium Payment ☐ Other

If Other, please specify:

## Section 3 – Purpose of Payment

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- ▶ What are you requesting from SGA?
- ▶ **Reimbursement Check:** Choose this option if you already paid out of pocket.
  - ▶ **Before making your purchase**, check if your funding covers those items!  
*If you're not sure, contact your funding chairperson or SGA.*
  - ▶ The **payee** should be the person (or organization) who fronted the money.  
*Reimbursements should not be made out to vendors/companies.*
  - ▶ All reimbursement reqs **must be accompanied with the original receipts** from your purchase.

Typical processing time  
**2-6 weeks**  
after SGA receives your paperwork

### Purpose of Payment:

Action to be taken - Check one \*

- ☐ Purchase Order (P.O.) ☒ Reimbursement Check ☐ Cash Advance Check  
☐ Payment of Invoice ☐ Honorarium Payment ☐ Other

If Other, please specify:

# Section 3 – Purpose of Payment

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- ▶ What are you requesting from SGA?
- ▶ **Cash Advance Check:** Choose this if you need money for the event beforehand.
  - ▶ Make cash advances out to an individual.  
**Do NOT** make them out to stores unless you're absolutely sure that the check will be accepted.
  - ▶ Receipts from the purchase must be submitted within **2 weeks** of the day the check is picked up.  
Not submitting receipts in time will result in a hold placed on the university records of the payee and the person picking up the check.

Typical processing time  
**1-2 weeks**  
after SGA receives your paperwork

## Purpose of Payment:

Action to be taken - Check one \*

- ☐ Purchase Order (P.O) ☐ Reimbursement Check ☒ Cash Advance Check  
☐ Payment of Invoice ☐ Honorarium Payment ☐ Other

If Other, please specify:



## Section 3 – Purpose of Payment

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- ▶ What are you requesting from SGA?
  - ▶ **Payment of Invoice:** A direct payment to the vendor.
    - ▶ **The payee** on the req must match the “make checks payable to” name/address on the invoice.
    - ▶ Attach the original invoice you got from the vendor.
    - ▶ Your attachment must be an **invoice**.  
*We cannot pay off a quote, estimate, statement, receipt, order confirmation, etc.*

Typical processing time  
**1-3 weeks**  
after SGA receives your paperwork

### Purpose of Payment:

Action to be taken - Check one \*

- ☐ Purchase Order (P.O) ☐ Reimbursement Check ☐ Cash Advance Check  
☒ Payment of Invoice ☐ Honorarium Payment ☐ Other

If Other, please specify:

## Section 3 – Purpose of Payment

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- ▶ What are you requesting from SGA?
  - ▶ **Honorarium Payment:** Payment to a performer, speaker, or the like.
    - ▶ **The check must be made out to the performer directly. No personal reimbursements.**
    - ▶ You must attach:
      - ☐ An IRS Form W-9 (provided by the performer)
      - ☐ A Performance Agreement or contract (for more complex agreement), signed by the performer AND a signatory from your organization
      - ☐ If Payee is a non-profit organization, attach their 501(c)(3) Determination Letter

Typical processing time  
**2-4 weeks**  
after SGA receives your paperwork

### Purpose of Payment:

Action to be taken - Check one \*

- ☐ Purchase Order (P.O) ☐ Reimbursement Check ☐ Cash Advance Check  
☐ Payment of Invoice ☒ Honorarium Payment ☐ Other

If Other, please specify:

## Section 4 – Payment Delivery Options

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- ▶ How do you want to receive your check or purchase order once it is issued?
- ▶ A photo ID is required when picking up checks.
- ▶ **For cash advance checks:**  
*A BruinCard is required to pick up checks.*  
*Cash Advance checks **cannot** be mailed.*
- ▶ **Check to be picked up by:**  
*You can list another person to pick up the check for you.*

### Payment Delivery Options:

Check one \*

- ☐ Mail to the address shown above (Not available for Cash Advances) ☐ Purchase Order pick-up  
☐ Purchase Order email ☐ Check pick-up

*For Check or Purchase Order pick up, provide the following:*

Name

Email

Phone

Use the **Check Register** to see if your check is ready: <https://usac.ucla.edu/funding/sga/forms/>

**You are responsible for picking up checks in a timely manner. Checks unclaimed for an extended period of time may be mailed or cancelled at our discretion.**


# Sections 5 – Describe Goods, Services, or Events

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- ▶ List what you are purchasing
- ▶ List the cost of what you are purchasing
- ▶ Description of your event (name, dates, location, and times)
- ▶ Check mark “Partial Payment” if you are asking SGA to only pay a portion of the total bill
- ▶ You can optionally attach documents of the purchase

## Describe Goods, Services, or Events:

### Goods, Services, or Events

Description of Goods, Services, or Events *	Amount *
<div></div> <div></div>	
Total: 0.00	

+ Add Item

Check here if only a partial payment is to be made:

☐ Partial Payment

### Attach Documents

Upload

or drag files here.

Event Name

Date(s)

Location

Start Time

End Time

## Section 6 – Account Number to Charge

- ▶ Enter the 21-digit account numbers you're using to pay for the expenses.
- ▶ Multiple accounts may be use to pay for the expenses.
- ▶ Under “Amount(s) to charge”, enter the amount to be taken out of each account.
- ▶ Please visit <https://usac.ucla.edu/funding/sga/forms/> for help with account numbers and view your department's account budget report.


### Account Number to Charge:

#### Enter your 21-Digit Account Number

Please visit <https://usac.ucla.edu/funding/sgainstructions.php> or <http://gsa.asucla.ucla.edu/student-government-accounting.html> for help with account numbers and view your department's account budget report.

Entity	Fund	Division	Department	GL	Event	Amount(s) to charge *
						

Total: \$0.00

 Add Item

## Section 7 - Signatures

- ▶ Print out the form after you press submit, attached your backups, and obtain signatures.
- ▶ Someone from your organization must sign the req before we can process it.
- ▶ Get the signature of the Funding Director that allocate your group money.
- ▶ **If using more than one account**, signatures are needed for each account.

### Signatures:

*Please obtain the appropriate signatures.*

#### USA Approvals

Student Org. Rep.

Commissioner

Funding Director

Finance Committee

USA Internal Vice President

USA President

#### GSA Approvals

Council Rep.

Council Rep.

Student Org. Rep.

Appointed Director

GSA Official

GSA Finance Director

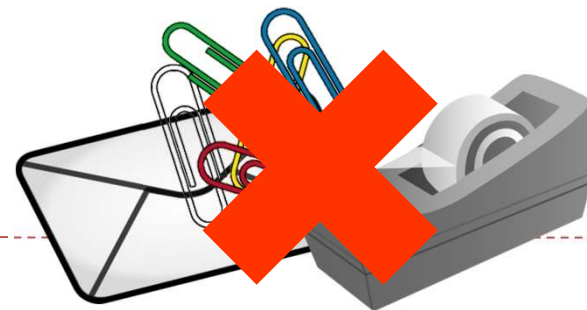
GSA Vice President  
Internal

GSA President

# Guidelines for Attaching Backups

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- ▶ Once you have gathered all backups, please follow these guidelines to help us be more efficient and prevent your documents from getting lost.
- ▶ **STAPLE** all documents **BEHIND** your req.
- ▶ **HIGHLIGHT** the relevant line items on bank statements and receipts, or **strike out** items that are irrelevant.
- ▶ **Do NOT** use **tape**, **paperclips**, or enclose anything in **envelopes**.
- ▶ **Do NOT** tape/staple receipts on to a separate piece of paper.
- ▶ **Do NOT** staple excessively. One or two staples is enough for most reqs.



# Backups for Reimbursements

## ► Receipts

### ► Originals only

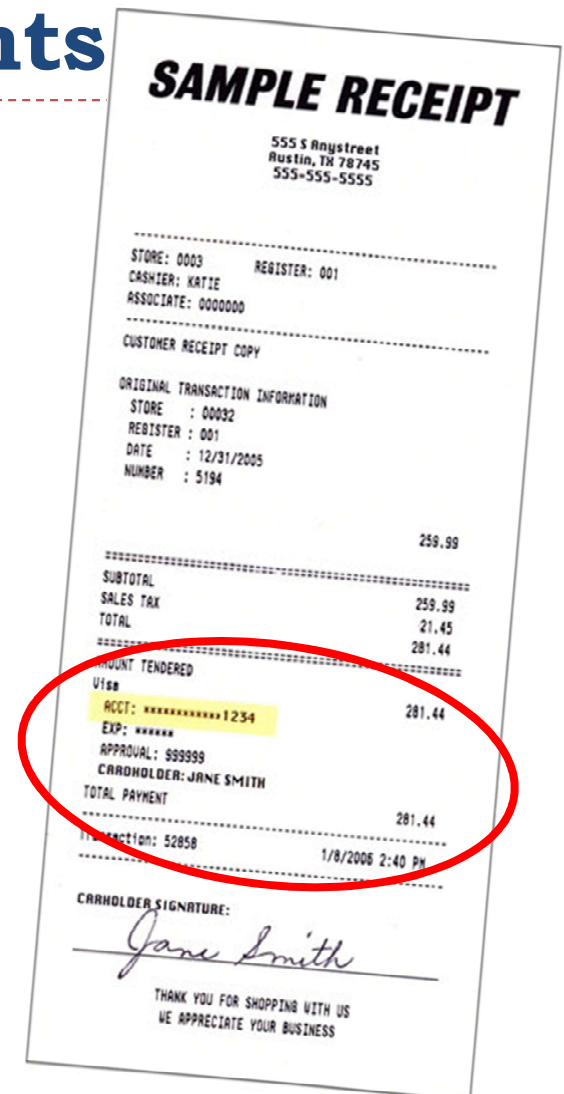
*No photocopies, screenshots, duplicates, or pictures taken with camera*

### ► Must show form/proof of payment

*example: VISA xxxx-1234, CASH or CHECK #123*

- Proof of payment is often not shown on emailed receipts.
- If your documentation is titled “Invoice”, it must include the form of payment and amount. The word “PAID” written/stamped is not sufficient.

- Restaurant receipts must include payment information or be accompanied by a credit card processing slip.
- Attach proof of payment separately if your receipt does not show it. (Continue to next page.)

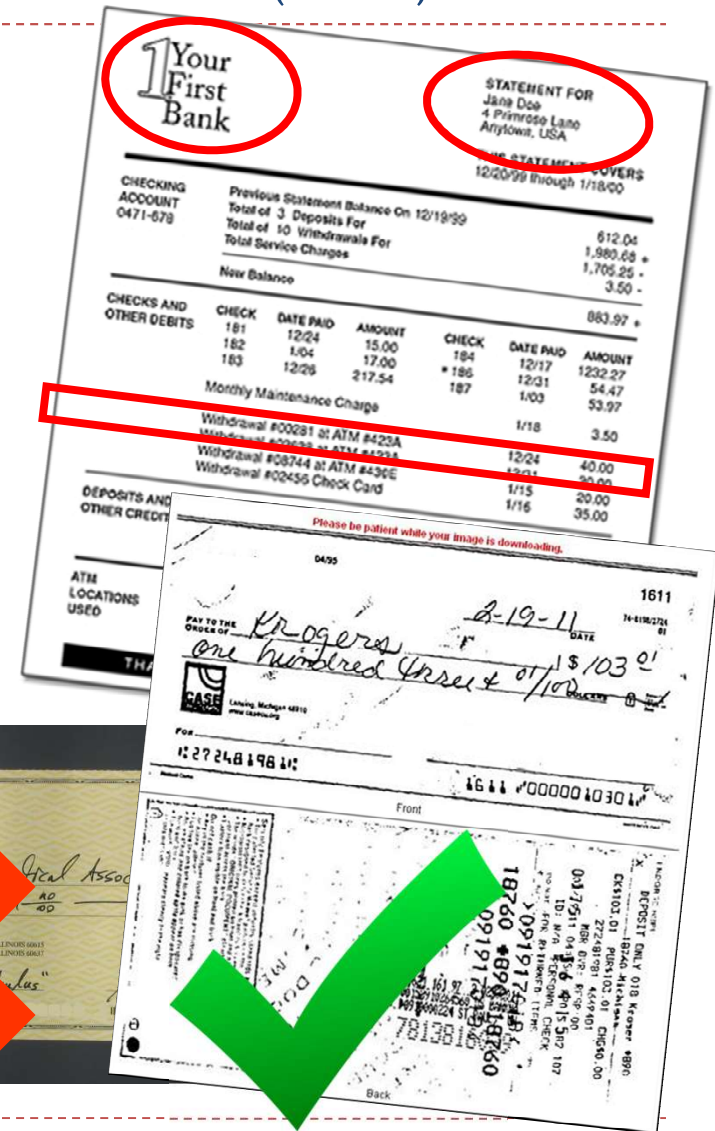




# Backups for Reimbursements (cont.)

- ▶ **Proof of Payment** (only if not already shown on receipt)
  - ▶ A bank/credit card statement, showing
    - ▶ Account holder's name
    - ▶ The bank's name
    - ▶ Transactions with merchant names and amounts matching those on your req. (**Please highlight these lines**).
    - ▶ You may black out information that do not pertain to this requisition.
  - ▶ If paid by check: Cleared check images
    - ▶ Must be obtained **from the bank** after the check clears
    - ▶ Must show **both front and back** of the check

You must print out these information directly from your bank. **Pictures** taken with cameras or **screenshots** are **not acceptable**.






**Cost Estimates.** *It can be **any** of the following:*

- ▶ *Online shopping cart*
- ▶ *Receipts from previous purchases (copies/duplicates OK)*
- ▶ *Your own estimations typed up*
- ▶ *Vendor quotes*

**Do not forget to consider tax and shipping costs!**



# Shopping Cart

Already a customer? [Sign in](#)

See more items like those in your Cart

**Shopping Cart Items--To Buy Now**

<p>Item added on May 22, 2009</p> <p><a href="#">Save for later</a></p> <p><a href="#">Delete</a></p>	<p><b><u>The Principles of Beautiful Web Design</u></b> - Jason Beard;</p> <p><b>Paperback</b> Condition: New In Stock</p> <p> Eligible for FREE Super Saver Shipping</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Add gift-wrap/note</a> <a href="#">Learn more</a></p>	<p><b>subtotal = \$88.77</b></p> <p>Make any changes below? <a href="#">Update</a></p> <p><b>Price:</b> <b>\$26.37</b> You Save: <b>\$13.58 (34%)</b></p> <p><b>Qty:</b> <input type="text" value="1"/></p>
<p>Item added on May 22, 2009</p> <p><a href="#">Save for later</a></p> <p><a href="#">Delete</a></p>	<p><b><u>Don't Make Me Think: A Common Sense Approach to Web Usability, 2nd Edition</u></b> - Steve Krug; <b>Paperback</b></p> <p>Condition: New In Stock</p> <p> Eligible for FREE Super Saver Shipping</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <a href="#">Add gift-wrap/note</a> <a href="#">Learn more</a></p>	<p><b>\$26.40</b> You Save: <b>\$13.60 (34%)</b></p> <p><input type="text" value="1"/></p>

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# Backups for **Purchase Orders**

## ▶ Vendor Quotes

- ▶ Your quote should be produced by the payee on the req.  
(For example: If you are paying UCLA Events Office, the quote cannot be from Royce Hall.)
- ▶ We do not recommend using **email conversations** with the vendor as your quotes.  
These are usually not formal quotes and amounts can sometimes change wildly without your knowledge.

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- ▶ Completed **ASUCLA Performance Agreement** or **Contract**.  
*See note on form above section 3 for which to use and where to get them.*
- ▶ Completed **IRS W-9** or **W-8BEN**. *No substitutes accepted – UCLA W-9 forms are not acceptable!*
- ▶ All information on these forms (name, address, event date/time, payment amount) **must match exactly** with that on the req

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# Backups – Additional Documents

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- ▶ These backups are required **in addition to** those listed in the previous slides.
- ▶ If your event is a **conference** or **retreat**, attach
  - ▶ An **agenda**
  - ▶ List of **attendees**, and
  - ▶ Statement of **Purpose** (*why do you need to go on this trip?*)
  - ▶ You can print out existing material or type these up on a piece of paper.
- ▶ If you are purchasing customized **prints** or **graphics** of any type (*banners, flyers, t-shirts, tank tops, tote bags, document copies, etc.*), attach
  - ▶ A **sample** of the graphics printed
  - ▶ The sample **must show** the “Paid for by USAC” or “Paid for by ASUCLA” **logo or phrase**.
  - ▶ You do not have to bring us the actual item produced.

# Common Mistakes

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- ▶ **An invoice is NOT valid as a receipt, unless it specifically shows form of *payment details* AND a zero balance due.**
- ▶ **Receipts must be ORIGINALS ONLY.** *Copies/duplicates are not acceptable.*  
*If you need the receipts for personal records, please keep the copy/duplicate and submit the original.*
- ▶ **Your receipt must show payment information.** *“Order confirmations” from online stores typically **do not** show proof of payment, especially if they are sent via email. Bank statement will be required if this is the only receipt you have.*
- ▶ **Do not modify your receipts in any way.** *Staple all receipts behind the req form. Do NOT cut them or tape/staple them onto a sheet of paper.*
- ▶ **Avoid paying with cash.** *If you lose the receipts, it may be impossible to get a second proof of payment.*

# What **NOT** to Include with your Req

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The following items should not be included with your Req:

- ▶ Copy of credit card or ID. *We cannot guarantee the safety of such confidential information in transit. If you're specifically asked for it, **bring** them to our office **in person**.*
- ▶ Funding application.
- ▶ Budget Report. *SGA will always verify your real-time budgets.*
- ▶ Signatory Form. *Please submit those separately **in person to SGA office**, before requisitions are turned in.*



# Thank you!

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- ▶ The req is now ready for submission.
- ▶ Please turn in your requisition to...
  - ▶ Mailbox #58 for SGOF, or Contingency  
(Division 100-230 in your account number)
  - ▶ Mailbox #24 for USA Programming, BOD or SIF  
(Division 250 or 300)
  - ▶ Mailbox #41 for C.S. Mini Fund  
(Division 260)
- ▶ The mailboxes are located on 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor in Kerckhoff Hall.  
*Use the stairs/elevator next to Kerckhoff Coffee House for easiest access.*

# Questions?

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- ▶ Contact SGA regarding requisitions
  - ▶ **Call us:** (310) 825-3662
  - ▶ **Email us:** [saccount@asucla.ucla.edu](mailto:saccount@asucla.ucla.edu)
  - ▶ **Visit us:** 332 Kerckhoff Hall
  - ▶ **Office Hours:** 9am-5pm Monday thru Friday  
*(We are open during academic breaks, but observe all campus closures on holidays)*
- ▶ Contact your Funding Director regarding funding applications
  - ▶ **USA Finance Committee for SGOF and Contingency**  
(310) 825-5017, [usacficom@gmail.com](mailto:usacficom@gmail.com), Kerckhoff 300D
  - ▶ **Budget Review Director for USA Programming and BOD/SIF**  
(310) 206-2422, [USABudgetReview@gmail.com](mailto:USABudgetReview@gmail.com), Kerckhoff 300D
  - ▶ **C.S. Mini Fund Director** for all Community Service Mini Fund Allocations  
(310) 206-2422, [CSMiniFund@gmail.com](mailto:CSMiniFund@gmail.com), Kerckhoff 300D
  - ▶ All officers are located in Room 300D Kerckhoff Hall and have varying office hours.