



**Student Union Government**  
**2024-2025 Term Goals**  
**Executive Board 58**

**Advocate. Allocate. Program.**

**REBUILD**

**Dear WashU Community,**

As we enter this fall semester, the Student Union Executive Board 58 deeply acknowledges how incredibly difficult the last academic year was for our campus community. As student representatives, our priority is to serve the WashU undergraduate student body. Thus, our objective this year is to rebuild our community, and strengthen your sense of belonging on this campus, as well as your trust in us, your student representatives.

We want to create and maintain a student government that will work to proactively affirm and validate your identity, background, voice, and lived experience in our decision-making process. We want to ensure that no student on campus feels like their story is not being heard.

Our term goals highlight four key principles essential to realizing our vision for rebuilding, and among these are:

***Engagement, Collaboration, Progress, and Community.***



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## **Rebuild: Engagement**

### **Launch a Student Union Newsletter**

One of our main Executive Board goals this year will be improving our communication and relationship with the broader student body. We believe strongly in an informed student body population that is up to date with how their government is serving them. To achieve this, we are going to launch a Student Union Newsletter that will be released at the end of every month. The newsletter will contain updated information and achievements that SU has conducted on behalf of you, WashU students, in any given month, as well as important upcoming events and dates.

### **Revamp our Communication Infrastructure**

To enhance students' access to our work, we must implement changes to our communications strategy. This initiative will prioritize increasing transparency regarding the internal functions of the Student Union and improve our overall branding. To achieve this goal, we will be integrating new Social Media Manager positions into the SUPR operations team. These managers will be responsible for producing consistent distinguishable social media content, capturing up-to-date photographs of Student Union members, and providing live streaming of sessions. Additionally, we will be reviving Student Union activity on our Twitter account. This will help expand our reach to students on other forms of media.

### **Empowering WashU Students and Student Groups**

Empowering WashU students and their respective student groups is one of Student Union's core missions. However, it has been brought to the attention of some of us at SU, that this is not the reality for everyone on campus. The branches of the legislature will be working in tandem with the Executive Board to ensure that each and every student feels comfortable approaching members of the Student Union to voice their concerns. The Executive Board will review instances of discrimination and respond accordingly to involved members. It is the goal of this Executive Board to ensure that student groups have ample knowledge, resources, and support to meaningfully execute their missions on WashU's campus. To achieve this, we will gather data from surveys or forms through the Treasury and will reintroduce liaison positions to the Senate.



## **Rebuild: Collaboration**

### **Partner with Administrators to Inform the Campus**

The Student Union plays a vital role in bridging the gap between the student body and the university administration. One of the ways we do this is by partnering with administrators to ensure that WashU students are well-informed about issues that impact the campus community and beyond. We believe that keeping students informed is essential not just for transparency but also for fostering a sense of involvement and empowerment among the student body. To achieve this, we aim to create opportunities where students can engage directly with administrators by inviting them to our sessions.

### **Launch the Student Union Legislative Council**

The Student Union is excited to announce the launch of the Legislative Council, a key initiative aimed at fostering a stronger internal culture and enhancing transparency between the Senate and the Treasury. This initiative is part of our broader commitment to creating a transparent and cohesive environment within the Student Union, where all members are informed and engaged in the decision-making process. In addition to its internal functions, the Legislative Council will play a significant role in our official Fall 2024 Election programming.

### **Assemble & Convene School Council Leadership Meetings**

One of our key goals is to assemble and convene WashU School Council meetings on a monthly basis. School Councils play a crucial role in supporting the academic and social lives of students within their respective schools. By fostering this collaborative atmosphere, we aim to create a more unified and effective network of student leadership across the university. This initiative is not only about improving communication but also about strengthening the sense of community and shared purpose among all student council leaders at WashU. These meetings will be led by Executive Vice President Andy Mun.



## **Rebuild: Progress**

### **Examining Our Statutes and Constitution**

The Constitution is what gives the Student Union its power. Its statutes define the checks and balances in our student government, as well as its responsibility to represent the student body. We want our constitution to act as a living document, representing the ever-changing needs of our community. As such, it is important to ensure its clarity and accuracy. Student Union has observed many undefined procedures. A Constitutional Task Force will be set up to proofread guidelines for constituents to express their opinions through the Student Union.

### **Bolstering Student Group Learning Outcomes**

In its engagement with student groups, Student Union strives to ensure that groups are not only growing in programming and membership but also that groups are providing their officers ample room for growth as student leaders on our campus. Through the newly established Post-Event Form, Student Union will collect information regarding programming impacts, attendance, spending trends, and student group successes. This information will be used to illustrate the multitudinous benefits that arise from the distribution of the Student Activities Fee to student organizations and will allow student leaders to continue to refine their programs to be as impactful, far-reaching, cost-effective, and successful as possible.

### **Including More Student Feedback-Driven Initiatives**

This term, the Student Union will prioritize gathering more student feedback on the issues that matter most to them. To engage with students effectively, we will be reintroducing the Improve WashU Survey for the Student Union Senate. This survey will assess general student access to Student Union resources, their personal experiences at WashU, their top campus priorities, and provide space for comments on current Senate Committee projects. Additionally, the Senate will collaborate with Dr. Tim Bono to conduct focus groups with students and student organizations, offering another valuable opportunity to gather feedback on our initiatives.



## **Rebuild: Community**

### **Partner with Regional Student Governments for St. Louis**

This year we want to partner with regional student governments across St. Louis. We plan to convene a conference dedicated to fostering a supportive environment where student body government leaders can engage in meaningful reflection, networking, and collaboration. The conference will serve as a platform for discussing and developing collective projects that address the needs and aspirations of the St. Louis community. By uniting our efforts, we aim to create impactful initiatives that benefit the region. Our focus will be on building strong partnerships and shared commitments to enhance our collective influence. Through this collaboration, we hope to empower student leaders and contribute positively to St. Louis.



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