



CENTER FOR STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

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DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS
Student Life

Student Fees Advisory Committee (SFAC)
One Time Allocation Requests FY 2012-2013



One Time Requests for FY13

Clinton Global Initiative (CGI)

\$11,000.00 for Clinton Global Initiative.

Funding to send students to the annual CGI University. The conference fee and location will be announced in November. Students will be selected for funding by a committee based on the applications they submit directly to CGI. \$11,000 was the amount spent to send students in Spring of 2012, so this funding level will allow the University to send 11 students in Spring 2013.

Program Cost: \$15,000.00

UH and VPSA Fee: \$3,000.00

Total for Leadership and Civic Engagement: \$18,000.00

Cougar Nights

Cougar Nights Event Series

A Friday Night on-campus non-alcoholic alternative to off-campus events and/or events with alcohol.

Four programs were done in the Fall 2012 semester as a pilot for the program. Cougar Nights is a result of a committee of faculty, staff, and students that looked at the night and weekend programming offered on campus. The findings of the committee was that there were very few events held on campus during nights and weekends. Thirty-three schools were benchmarked to determine best practices for the program.

The event is hosted on the second floor of the UC, and features a host of activities all happening simultaneously, including novelties, crafts, board games, video games, movie, karaoke, exercise classes and snacks. Attendance averaged between 230 and 280 students at each of the programs. As the on-campus population at UH grows the need for viable on-campus activities on Friday nights will increase.

Program Cost: \$21,275.00

UH and VPSA Fee: \$1,725.00

Total for Cougar Nights Spring 2013: \$23,000.00



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One Time Request for FY14

Cougar Nights Event Series

- A. Cougar Nights for every other Friday night during the 2013 Fall and 2014 Spring semesters. Cougar Nights is a Friday night on-campus non-alcoholic alternative to off-campus events and/or events with alcohol.

Hosted in the University Center, these events host a series of activities all happening simultaneously. This funding level will allow the program to be offered every other Friday during the regular fall and spring semester. The University of Houston will have another 2,000 students living on campus in 13-14, and this program will provide a viable, on-campus, non-alcoholic alternative.

The 2013-2014 year will continue to be a pilot year, where options such as co-programming with different student organizations and offering different kinds of events will be explored to find the best combination of activities for the UH students.

This event is new and designed to meet the University's strategic initiative to provide more opportunities for students to engage on campus and create a campus life that is attractive to our growing residential population.

Program Cost: \$71,919

UH and VPSA Fee: \$5,831.00

Total for Cougar Night 13-14 Event Series: \$77,750.00

- B. Cougar Nights/Council of Ethnic Organizations Graduate Assistants
Cougar Nights is currently a staff-driven event, and will continue to be during the 2013-2014 year. Staff serve as organizers and collaborators for Cougar Nights, providing the logistical support needed to contract for multiple simultaneous activities and provide on-site organization and guidance of the event. The Graduate Assistant working with Cougar Nights will develop marketing and assessment for the event, and will seek out collaborations that will bring new students to the event.

Since Cougar Nights is proposed to happen once every other week, this Graduate Assistant position will also work with the Council of Ethnic Organizations (CEO). CEO is one of the largest program-driven organizations on campus. Their events and activities are driven by a desire to provide diversity opportunities and education to our students. Developing diversity programs that are multi-faceted and address diversity in all of its forms requires dedicated staff time to help the student leaders in the organization understand diversity at a more profound level and to seek out activities and programs that reflect that understanding. CEO has grown in recent years, but needs additional assistance if they are to move to a higher level of functionality.

Program Cost: \$13,380.00

UH and VPSA Fees and Benefits: \$1,137.00

Total for Cougar Nights/CEO Graduate Assistant: \$14,517.00



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Base Augmentation Request FY 2013-2014



Base Augmentation FY14

Leadership

A. Ignite entry-level group leadership program.

Each section will meet weekly and participate in leadership workshops, community service and social activities. Examples of content for weekly sessions include the following: stress and time management, public speaking, ethics, conflict management. One section will be dedicated to freshmen; one will be dedicated to any student who did not participate as a first year freshman.

Peer Mentor Training	\$ 300.00
Marketing	\$ 500.00
First meeting food	\$ 250.00
Binders	\$ 150.00
Handouts and Printing	\$ 200.00
One Night Retreat	\$5,350.00
Community Service supplies	\$ 200.00
Activities Budget	\$ 500.00
Etiquette Meeting	\$ 500.00
Graduation Ceremony	<u>\$1,300.00</u>
Total	\$9,250.00

Program Cost: \$9,250.00

UH and VPSA Fee: \$750.00

Total Cost for Ignite Leadership Program: \$10,000.00

(Note: the total cost of the program will be \$20,000.00 – half of which is already in the current, FY14, leadership budget)

B. Second-level leadership program for up to 50 students who completed the entry-level leadership program.

The second level leadership program will build on the first program, and will have a stronger focus on working in groups, planning and the community. Examples of content for weekly sessions include the following: stress and time management, public speaking, ethics, conflict management. Budget outlined for the Ignite program illustrates how the funds will be spent for the second-level leadership program.

Program Cost: \$9,250.00

UH and VPSA Fees: \$750.00

Total Program Cost: \$10,000.00

C. Leadership Learning Community

In conjunction with Student Housing and Residential Life and the Honors College, this program will create a positive and educational living and learning environment in which freshmen students can study and practice leadership in an academic setting. The program will be open to students of any major, will require an application process for admittance, and will have a 9 hour class commitment.

Budget:

Estimated course buy out	\$3,500.00
Marketing	\$1,000.00
One night retreat	\$ 3,500.00
Stipends for two peer mentors	\$1,200.00
T-shirts	\$ 300.00
Teambuilding, study breaks	\$ 1,500.00
Graduation	\$ 700.00
Supplies	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
Total:	\$12,200.00

Program Cost: \$12,200

UH and VPSA Fees: \$915.00

Total Program Cost: \$13,115.00

Total Leadership Program Request: \$33,115.00

Civic Engagement Permanent funding requests

A. Alternative Spring Break program.

Alternative Spring Break is a volunteer opportunity for students to participate in assisting needy communities during Spring Break, in addition to the \$2,000 for ASB that has been granted as one-time funding in FY13.

The Alternative Spring Break Program for FY12 was very successful. One program will be coordinated in FY13, but the goal is to build the program into multiple trips over time. The increase in budget will allow the Center to program more than one simultaneous trip.

Program Cost: \$4,000.00

UH and VPSA Fees: \$300.00

Total Program Cost: \$4,300.00

B. Clinton Global Initiative (CGI)

Clinton Global Initiative is a nationally-recognized civic engagement training hosted by President Clinton that brings together top student activists and volunteers from around the country. UH sent 11 students to this selective training in FY12 and seeks to send 11 students in FY13. This requested cost includes \$5,000.00 in seed money for the participants to use to actualize their initiatives when they return from the training.

Program Cost: \$16,000.00

UH and VPSA Fees: \$1200.00

Total Program Cost: \$18,000.00

C. Civic Engagement/Metropolitan Volunteer Program Graduate Assistant

This position will work with the Civic Engagement initiatives including Early Voting Shuttles, Alternative Spring Break, the Clinton Global Initiative, and will also assist the Metropolitan Volunteer Program in moving forward as an organization and realizing their potential in terms of impacting students through opportunities for engagement.

Growing the Civic Engagement and volunteer opportunities as student engagement opportunities for students will require additional staff support. In addition, the Metropolitan Volunteer Program needs additional staff support in order to fully realize and develop the volunteer opportunities and volunteer events they host.

Program Cost: \$13,390.00

UH and VPSA Fees and Benefits: \$1,137.00

Total Cost for Civic Engagement/MVP Graduate Assistant: \$14,517.00

D. Early Voting Shuttles

Providing shuttles to the Palm Center early voting location during elections.

Program Cost: \$4,000 (busses plus marketing)

UH and VPSA Fees: \$494.00

Total Program Cost: \$4,494.00

Graduate Assistant for the Student Program Board

Student Program Board Graduate Assistant

This position will work with the Student Program Board initiatives including weekly (or more frequent) events, including concerts, comedy shows, speakers, special events, novelties, movies, late night and weekend events, and advertising and social media. The Graduate Assistant supports SPB through assisting with the advising the students, implementation and assessment of events, and training of the student leaders. The Student Program Board creates a very high number of contracts – one for each event – and the graduate assistant helps process the contracts.

The Student Program Board has been through a period of growth and expansion in the last year and a half, which would not have been possible without the support of both the advisor and the graduate assistant. Continuing this position will ensure that SPB continues to be a quality program providing activities and events that further the strategic initiative to develop a vibrant student life.

Program Cost: \$13,390.00

UH and VPSA Fees and Benefits: \$1,137.00

Total Cost for Civic Engagement/MVP Graduate Assistant: \$14,517.00