An Amendment to the USGA Code of Laws
Regarding the Eligibility Requirements of the Andrew M. Sands Memorial Emergency Student Loan Program

WHEREAS the University of Alabama at Birmingham Undergraduate Student Government Association has the responsibility that the loans distributed through the Andrew M. Sands Memorial Emergency Student Loan Program are representing the honor in which the Program was established in the memory of Andrew M. Sands by his brother Harlan M. Sands; and

WHEREAS in recent circumstances, this honor could not be upheld because of the unjust requirements regarding Title IX Clause 904.2 due to lack of differentiation between the fall semester and spring semester to the summer semester; and

WHEREAS the above would result in the denial of a student applying for the ESLP during the summer term unless he or she was taking twelve (12) credit hours; and

WHEREAS a student claiming he or she is facing financial hardships would likely not be able to afford taking twelve (12) credit hours during the summer semester when scholarships and grants are more difficult to obtain.

THEREFORE LET IT BE ENACTED that Title IX Clause 904.2 be amended from stating “Students must be considered full-time students at UAB, which is generally considered to be twelve (12) credit hours” to “Students applying for the ESLP during the fall semester or the spring semester must be taking a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours and students applying for the ESLP during the summer semester must be taking a minimum of one (1) credit hours.”

LET IT BE KNOWN that this amendment will only be enacted if and only if the USGA Senate confirms its necessity with a majority vote of approval.

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