

Newsletter

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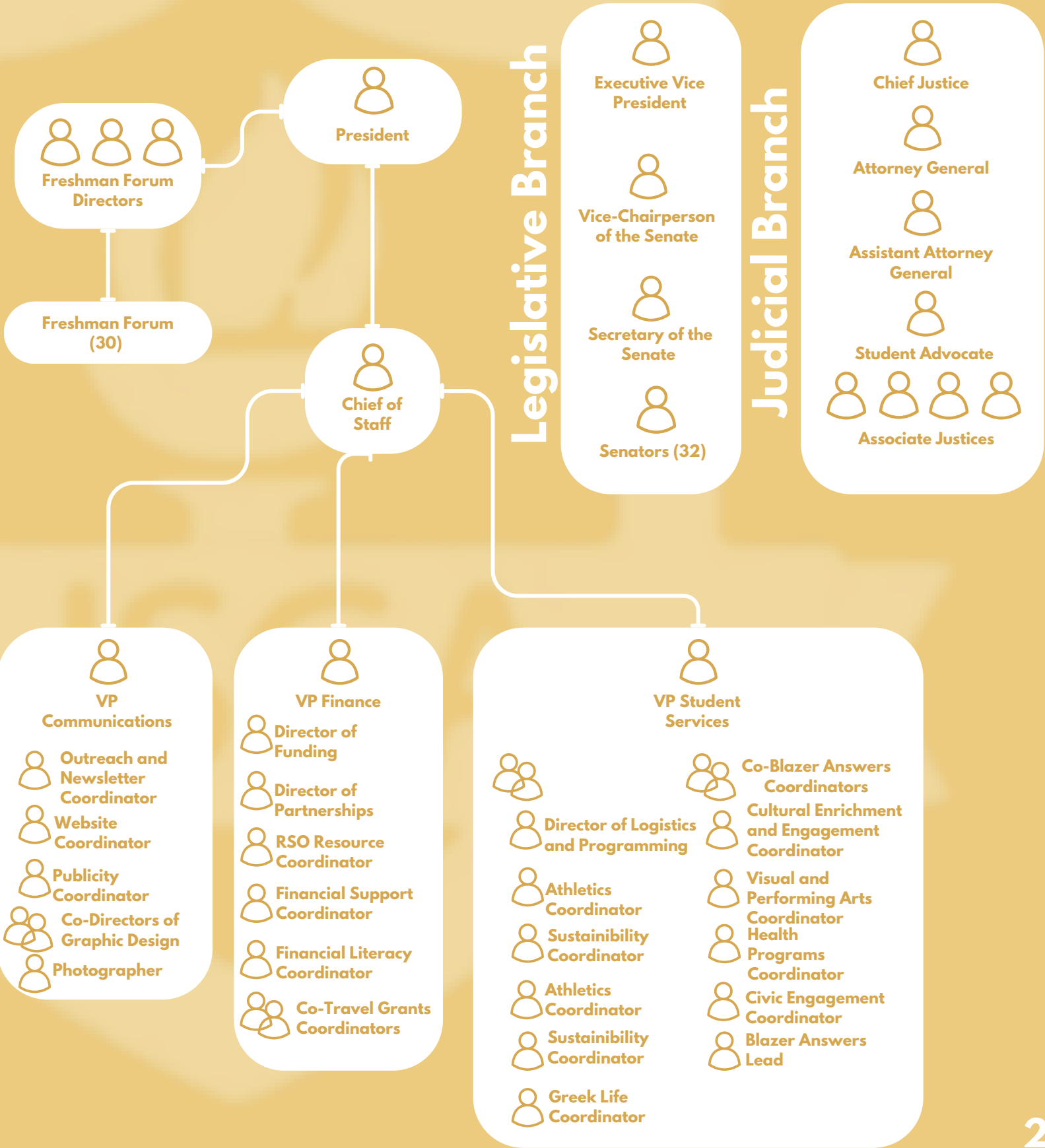


Geneice Thompson
Co-Director of
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USGA Structure

2024-2025



Ayona's Announcements

Monthly Updates

Check back next month for President Ayona's Updates.

Have a great start back to the semester, and enjoy the rest of the Newsletter!

Overviews from Office of the President Monthly Updates



Election
Manager
Sarah Wilson



“I Voted” Sticker Competition:

In the spirit of USGA election season being just around the corner, we are excited to announce a sticker competition! The competition deadline is February 3 and will be used as the official USGA “I Voted” sticker for 2025. Additionally, the winner will receive \$100. See more details on the USGA Instagram!

Meet and Greet the USGA Candidates:

Get to know your USGA candidates! Join us at the USGA Elections Meet & Greet on February 18th at 4 pm to connect with those running for office, share your thoughts, and learn about their vision for our campus. This is a come-and-go event, and free food will be provided! We hope to see you at Ballroom A of the Hill Student Center

Election Day:

USGA Election Day will be from February 24 at 8am to February 25 at 8 am. Vote for YOUR USGA candidates to represent UAB. Mark it in your calendars!



Catchin' Up With

COMMS

Monthly Updates

Outreach and
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Coordinator
Rishab Samant



New Member Alert!

We are excited to announce the newest member of the Division of Communications, Geneice Thompson. She will serve as the Co-Director of Graphic Design to Nicole Lober.

Giveaway Time

The USGA Division of Communications was excited to announce its first giveaway of the semester via Instagram! The winner was notified on January 24. We are planning to have many more, so stay tuned! Make sure to follow our socials (to the left) to keep an eye out for more giveaways!

Group Photos!

The Division of Communications is preparing to take group photos for each section of USGA. Stay tuned for more!

Follow us!

INSTAGRAM: [uab_usga](#)

FACEBOOK: [UABUSGA](#)

WEBSITE: www.uab.edu/usga/



Fun With Finance

Finance!

Monthly Updates

Travel Grants Almost Done!

As a brief update, the Division of Finance would like to let students know that travel grants from the Fall Semester are nearly done being processed! Please keep a look out if this has relevance to you.

Organization Funding Updates

Registered student organizations (RSOs) should have started receiving funding for the Spring semester. Additionally, the Budget Request Form for Fall 2025 should be released soon!

Pathfinders Workshop

Please keep a look out for a combined workshop between both Pathfinders and the Division of Finance. We are so excited to partner with them this semester for our event!

Finance Videos

Make sure to take a look at the USGA Instagram for more biweekly videos from our Division!

Director of Funding
Anjali Alapati



Sit Down with

January 

STUDENT SERVICES

Monthly Updates

Blazer Answers
Coordinator
Yasho Velayudam



USGA x Red Cross Blood Drive

USGA was excited to hold a blood drive in partnership with the Red Cross on January 25 at the UAB Recreation Center! The turnout was phenomenal, and participants were automatically entered in a drawing to score a getaway to Super Bowl LIX in New Orleans!

Blazer Answers Tabling

Blazer Answers held its first tabling for the semester on January 27. The Division of Student Services is excited to use the information students have provided on current student concerns, such as issues related to parking, dining, and housing to better the campus!

Upcoming Meetings

The Co-Directors of Student Issues and Sustainability Coordinator will meet with UAB Transportation soon on updates relating to their developments, and with UAB Sustainability to increase awareness of UAB's bus routes.

Freshman Forum

2024-2025

January 

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Freshman Forum:

Freshman Forum is meeting with collaborators in various departments on campus to discuss the efficacy of their initiatives. They will then set up tablins to promote their surveys and garner student support for their initiatives.

Co-Director
Roshni Datta



Associate Justice
Georgia Erbe



Just Chillin' with JUDICIAL

Higher Education Day!

Higher Education Day will be on February 20, 2025. This event is a major gathering held in Montgomery, Alabama, and allows student representatives to communicate directly to policymakers. UAB's USGA is excited to take an active part in this event!

Speak Out with the SENATE

Monthly Updates



Senator
Ashley Nguyen



USGA x SOPH Research Panel

On January 27, the School of Public Health Senators hosted a mixed panel of faculty and professors to help students learn how to get involved in campus research opportunities, specifically those related to SOPH students!

USGA Campus Rec Health Fair

Stop by and enjoy the USGA Campus Rec Health Fair on February 19 from 10 am to 2 pm on Campus Recreation Courts 2, 3, and 4.

This is a fantastic opportunity for students to take charge of their health! Explore free health screenings, connect with health organizations, and discover programs in

Birmingham that serve public health needs. Several FREE services and screenings will be offered.

A Statement from the EVP


Senate is looking forward to being out and involved in your events this semester! Stay tuned for weekly events from our different caucus and committees in Senate. Stay warm!

Members of the Month




October 2024-2025


Welcome to Member(s) of the Month! USGA members nominate other members for their hard work and dedication. These members represent the values and mission of this organization, earning them a highlight for this month. This semester, Members of the Month are being highlighted on the respective page of their Division! Check out the sample of testimonies we received about members' work to the right. Make sure to check the USGA Newsletter next month to see who received Member of the Month!



"Ashley Nguyen is such a great USGA senator who always goes out of her way to support everyone. Her dedication and well-rounded personality are worthy of being recognized!"



Anjali has taken the initiative to take on additional tasks and help out fellow division members.



Yasho works so diligently within her position to make Blazer Answers the best it can be!

See You Soon!

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