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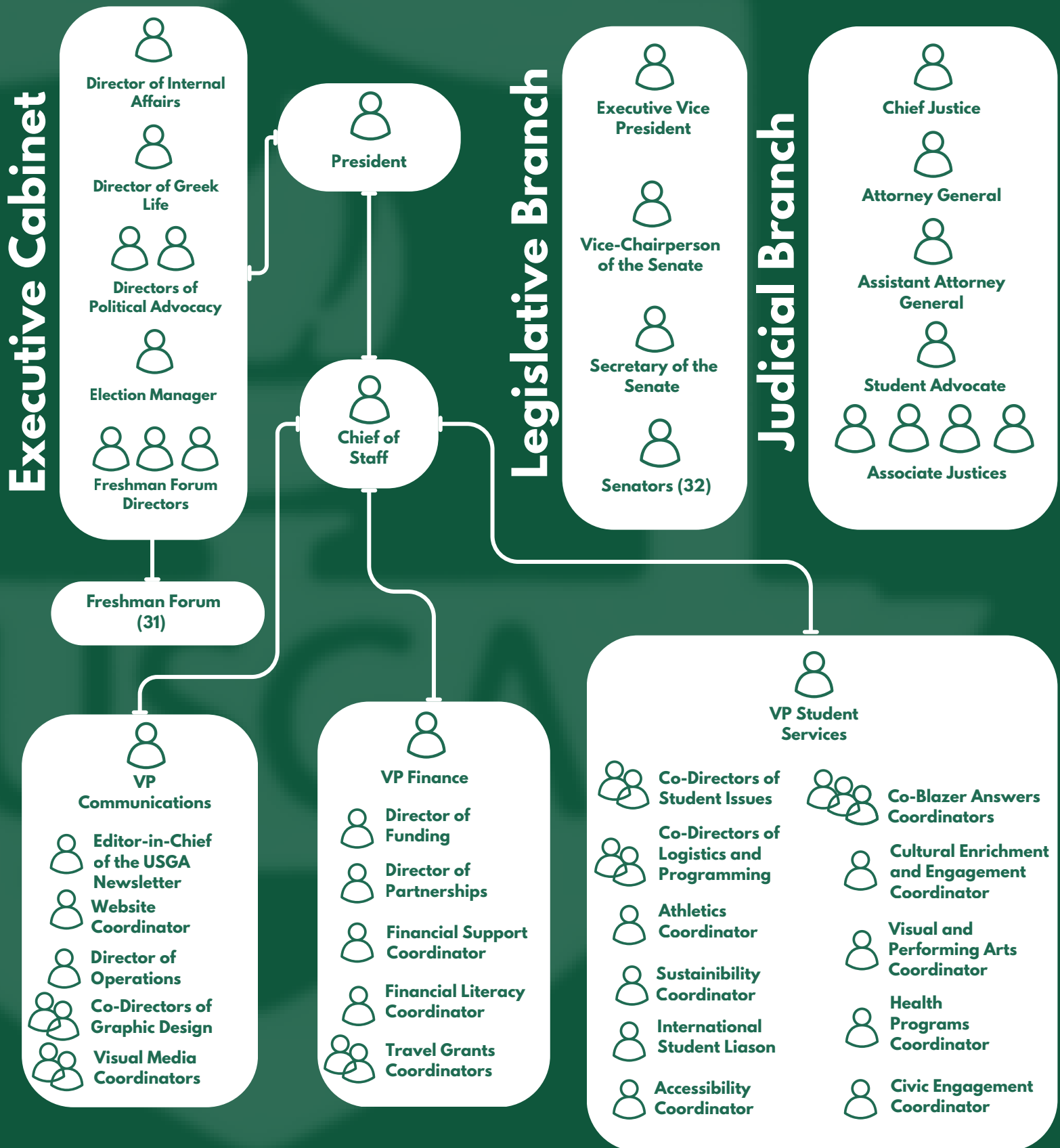


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USGA Structure



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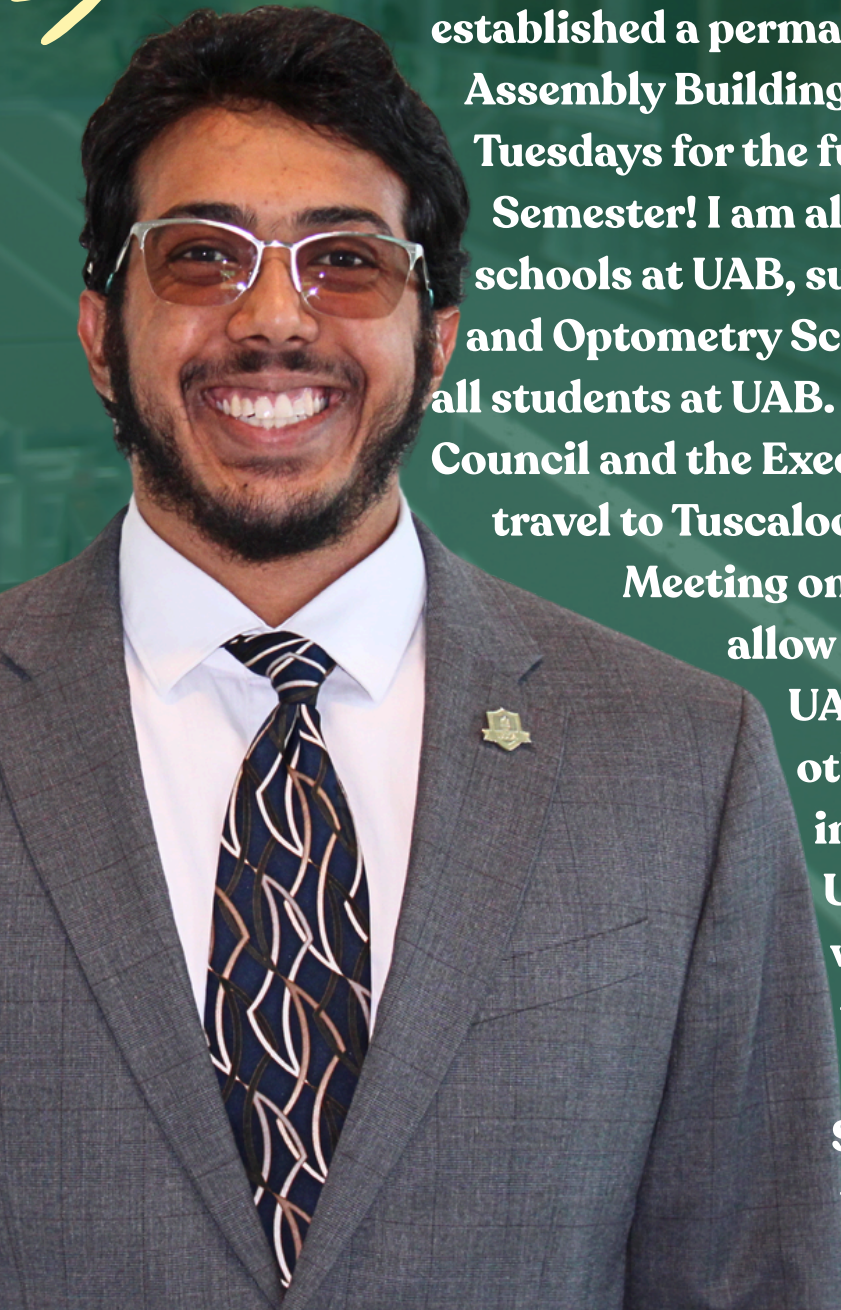
Saad's Statements

October 2025



Monthly Updates

President
Saad Khan



USGA has had a productive and eventful October! I have been working closely with the Office of the Provost, advocating for majors on undergraduate diplomas. We will spend the next few months working through the various logistical challenges, but undergraduate students should be seeing their majors on their diplomas as early as the next academic year! USGA has established a permanent meeting location in the Student Assembly Building, Rooms 115ABC, at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays for the future, starting in the Spring 2026 Semester! I am also contacting the presidents of other schools at UAB, such as the Graduate, Medical, Dental, and Optometry Schools, so that we can better represent all students at UAB. Additionally, USGA's Executive Council and the Executive Office of the President will travel to Tuscaloosa to attend a Board of Trustees Meeting on November 7th. This meeting will allow us to collaborate with members of UA and UAH's SGAs, learn from each other, and work towards system-wide initiatives and improvements! Finally, USGA had a very busy Homecoming week; taking part in the Parade, tailgating at the Game, and winning the Gold Division for Blazer Showdown! A huge congratulations to our USGA Mr. and Ms. UAB Finalists and Winners!

Overviews from Office of the President

Monthly Updates

Director of Internal
Affairs

Paxton Gillispie

Social Media Takeover!

This month our Executive Council members had the chance to showcase a day in the life as their roles as leaders in their organizations and college students. This was such a great opportunity for students who want to get involved on campus as they can be inspired to take control of what they desire.

Blazer Showdown

USGA participated in the Homecoming Blazer Showdown and won! Shout out to Sara Hancock and Gabby C. for choreographing our awesome performance. We couldn't have won without our members or the support of our community!

EC Office Hours!

Make sure to go to the Student Involvement and Leadership Office during the week if you have any questions about USGA as our EC members have office hours for this reason. To find office hour times, please visit our Instagram!



COMMS

Our First Event!

The Division of Communications was happy to host their first event of the school year - Pie the Presidents! We had so much our President and Vice-Presidents and are looking forward to hosting more events in the future!



Co-Visual Media
Coordinator
Jenna Kim



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Fun With Finance Finance!

Budgets Have Been Passed!

We are happy to announce that the RSO and Club Sports Budgets have been passed! If you have any questions about the budget or would like to find the budget, please visit the Engage website or get in contact with Sarah Jerry, our Director of Funding.




Sit Down with **STUDENT SERVICES**

Monthly Updates



Athletics
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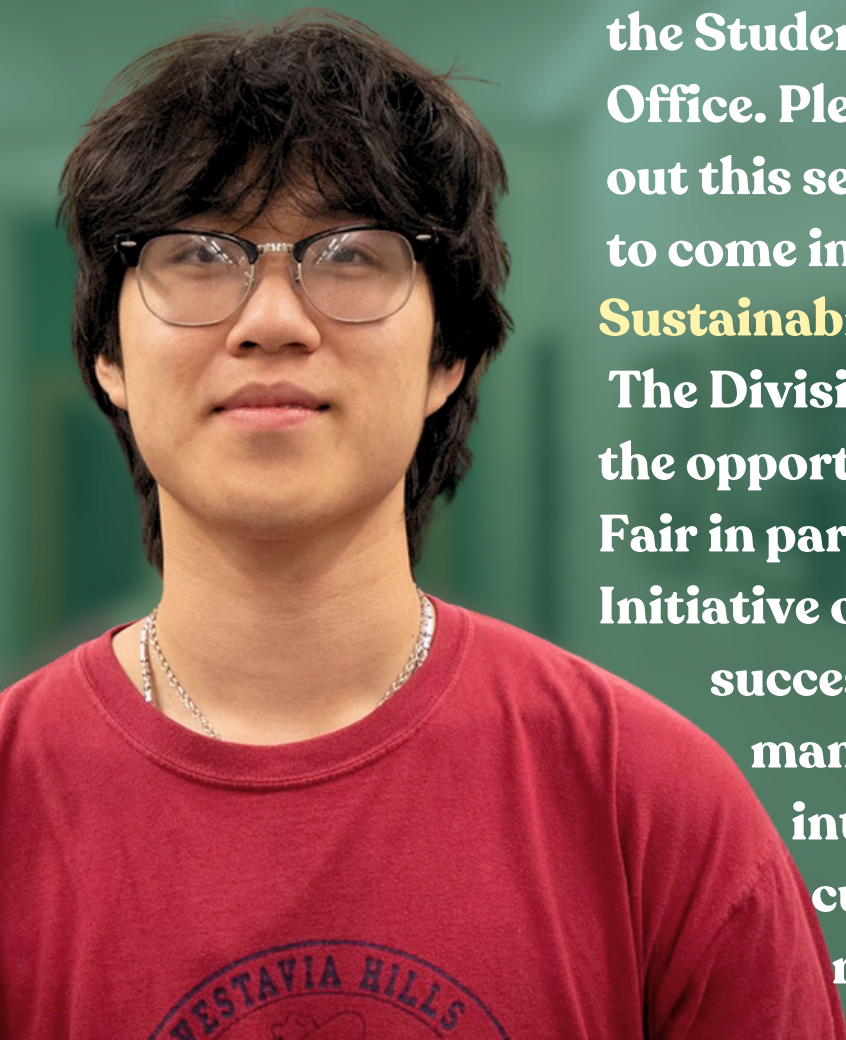
Town Hall



The Division of Student Services hosted their semesterly Town Hall where students got to listen to speakers from the Department of Music, UAB PD, and the Student Involvement and Leadership Office. Please do not worry if you missed out this semester because there is more to come in the upcoming semester!

Sustainability Fair

The Division of Student Services had also the opportunity to host a Sustainability Fair in partnership with the Green Initiative on October 27th. It was a huge success and we were so glad to see so many students come and show interest in something that is currently really important and relevant.



Election Commission

Election Timeline!

We are happy to announce that Election Timeline and manual have been passed.

Please be on the lookout for those in the upcoming semester!

Vice Chairperson
of the Senate
Luc Slate



Co-Director of
Political Advocacy
Miguel Luna



Lobby Board

Dreams to Reality Event!

USGA's Lobby Committee had hosted it's first event in collaboration with the Judicial Branch called the Dreams to Reality Event. This event highlighted the importance and impact of higher education and the collaborations it takes to make such dreams into a reality!

Freshman Forum

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Initiatives Are In The Making!

Our Freshman Forum students have been divvied up into their initiative groups and are ready to take action this year. Some initiatives that have surfaced are extending commons hours, revamping nutrition labeling and expanding options, micro-internships, nutrition, and wellness tabling days, and more!

Freshman
Forum Director
Samanvi Vootukuri



Associate Justice
Sara Hancock



Just Chillin' with JUDICIAL

Mock Trial!

The Judicial Branch of USGA is so excited to be hosting Mock Trial on November 17, 2025 where they will demonstrate how USGA's judicial system functions. Make sure to come and watch if you are interested because it's always a good time with the Judicial Branch!

Speak Out with the SENATE

Monthly Updates



CAS Senator
Taryn Billups

Degrees on Diplomas!

Some of our senators are working diligently on an initiative that is important to a lot of the student body - having degrees on our diplomas when we graduate. While this process may take some more time, our senators are working hard to make sure this is achieved.

Last Senate Seat Has Been Filled!

We are so excited to say that our last Senate seat for the School of Education and Human Sciences has been filled! This is exciting for many reasons, but one of the main ones is that we will be able to represent students from the Education Department much more effectively.

New Legislation!

We are excited to announce that new Legislation has been passed and will be publicized on the USGA Instagram soon!



Members of the Month



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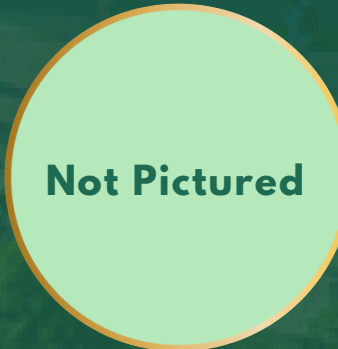
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School of Health Professions Senator



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See You Soon!

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