

University Council
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Undergraduate Student Report
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Campus Life Fee Update: Last year UAlbany implemented a new Campus Life Fee to help improve the quality of student life on campus. The fee, which was \$30/semester, will be increased to \$60/semester next year. In Fall 2015 the Programming Board executed a \$200,000 budget creating over 40 different programs hosting approximately 18,000 participants. These programs included the highly successful Welcome Week which helped to welcome new and returning students to UAlbany.

Student Association Update: The Student Association hosted a Fall concert last semester which was well attended and also co-sponsored the Spring Career Fair alongside UAlbany Career Services. In addition, SA recently announced the first installment of the World Within Reach Speaker Series which will feature rapper Common. Additional installments to the Speaker Series should be announced soon. The Student Association's annual scholarship is now open for applications.

The Student Association Senate has also passed a number of resolutions recently of note. These resolutions include (among other things) a call for better bussing to Empire Commons, glass recycling machines in the Campus Center, and the reinstatement of Fountain Day.

Coffee and Conversation: The new Interim Vice President for Student Success hosted the first "Coffee and Conversation" with new Provost Dr. James Stellar on campus for a conversation with students about the University at Albany as well as opportunities for involvement outside of the classroom. The event was well attended and well received. This event will be held monthly with different guests and students to help foster an open dialogue between administrators, faculty, staff and students.

The University at Albany Student Association is a registered 501(c)(3) that represents the nearly 13,000 undergraduate students of attending this University. With a student activity fee-supported budget of over \$2.4 million, the Student Association acts as the voice of the student and plays a leading role in funding student life initiatives on campus like the highly successful *World Within Reach Speaker Series* and the *ParkFest* concert series. In addition, the Student Association owns Camp Dippikill, which is an 850 acre modern wilderness retreat located in the adirondacks.