ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY GENERAL ASSEMBLY SIXTY-FIRST SESSION



BILL NO. 61-80

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A BILL TO: Propose a Referendum on the Spring 2025 Election to Amend the Constitution to Reflect the Class Council GA Seat Allocations

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, During the Fall 2024 Election, the MSU undergraduate student body passed the referendum to Add General Assembly Seats for each ASMSU Class Council¹; and,

WHEREAS, Article IV of the ASMSU Constitution states that "Proposed amendments shall be brought to referendum of the membership of ASMSU at the regularly scheduled spring semester elections."²; therefore be it,

RESOLVED, On the Spring 2025 Election Ballot, a referendum will be placed to approve the following ASMSU Constitution changes:

(FROM)

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 - B. The following racial, ethnic, and progressive student groups shall be represented:
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¹ 61-11 Propose Referendum on 2024 Fall Election to Add Class Council GA Seats Lucas Pham/Zakaria pdf

² ASMSU Manual Rev. 10.24

- 5. Alliance of Queer and Ally Students
- 6. Council of Students with Disabilities
- 7. Women*s Council
- 8. Arab Cultural Society
- 9. International Student Association
- 10. Jewish Student Union
- 11. Student Veterans of America
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- C. The following major governing groups shall be represented:
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Article II

Section 3. All groups listed under Section 2, sub section A of this Article shall select their representative(s) through an ASMSU sponsored democratic election occurring spring semester of every year.

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; and let it be further,

RESOLVED, The referendum question shall be phrased as follows, "Should ASMSU amend its Constitution as follows to add General Assembly seats for each Class Council, as approved in the Fall 2024 Election?".

Undergraduate Student Elections Ballot Language

March 31st - April 4th

Vote on the Associated Students of Michigan State University ("ASMSU") Constitutional Amendments for the Addition of General Assembly Seats for Each Class Council Referendum.

ASMSU General Assembly Proposal - Constitutional Amendments for General Assembly Seat Allocations for Each Class Council (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior)

Explanation: The Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) passed a referendum in the Fall 2024 Undergraduate Election to allocate General Assembly seats to each of the ASMSU Class Councils, which were created to serve and represent their respective graduating classes. These Class Councils do not currently have voting privileges within the ASMSU General Assembly, which is the legislative body of the organization. Class Councils internally elect their executive board during fall semesters. Each CORES/CAMS and major governing group also elects their ASMSU General Assembly Representative through an internal democratic process. The General Assembly is currently composed of representatives elected from every academic college, CORES/CAMS groups, and other major governing groups. The ASMSU Constitution currently mandates that any amendments must be brought to the membership of the Associated Students of MSU, which consists of all tax-paying undergraduate students.

Voting 'yes' means you support amending the ASMSU Constitution as follows to add 4 General Assembly seats (one for each class standing). Each Class Council General Assembly Representative will be elected by their respective Class Council in the fall of each academic year. If you vote 'no', you do not support the adoption of these amendments and each Class Council will not receive representation and voting privileges within the ASMSU General Assembly.

Proposition: Should ASMSU amend its Constitution as follows to add General Assembly seats for each Class Council, as approved in the Fall 2024 Election?

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