

ACROSS THE SYSTEM



A Note From Our President

My name is Cameron Brown, and I'm honored to serve as President for the 2024-2025 academic year!

A proud graduate of East Carolina University with a Bachelor's in Community and Regional Planning and a Construction Management minor, I'm now pursuing a Master's in Public Administration at UNC-Chapel Hill, with a focus on Community and Economic Development. My experiences working in economic development, government, and community engagement have fueled **my passion for advocacy and student empowerment**, and I'm thrilled to bring that energy to UNC ASG.

Under the **Brown-Garza administration**, our mission is rooted in **championing affordability, accessibility, and inclusivity across all UNC System institutions**. We're dedicated to initiatives that prioritize student well-being, such as promoting mental health resources, fostering collaboration across campuses, and creating pathways for professional growth through opportunities like fellowships and internships. I'm particularly excited about engaging with students directly through town halls and working to uplift Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs) by **advocating for equitable outcomes and strategic partnerships**.

I'm always happy to connect with anyone who wants to learn more about ASG, share their concerns, or collaborate on ideas. Together, we can ensure that all UNC campuses come together as one community, united in our pursuit of educational excellence and student success.

Don't hesitate to reach out—I look forward to working with all of you this year!

...what is UNC ASG?

Established in 1971, The University of North Carolina Association of Student Governments, (UNC ASG) was established in 1971. UNC ASG is a student-led organization committed to advocacy work on behalf of all 230,000+ students within the UNC System.

Delegates from all 18 UNC System campuses are selected to come together to address key issues that impact students, including access and affordability, campus safety, and student voter participation.

Additionally, the UNC ASG President represents the student voice on the UNC Board of Governors.

Meeting Recap

November 2024

What Went Down at the November Meeting?

Guest Speakers

NCSU Host Speaker - Dr. Jameco McKenzie, Director of Multicultural Student Affairs:

- Highlighted the importance of community as the foundation of leadership, emphasizing shared purpose & connection using Bolman & Deal's Four Frames: structural, human resource, political, & symbolic.

Visitor Presentation - Dr. Joy James, Appalachian State:

- Advocated for outdoor spaces to improve student well-being & academic success.
- Highlighted benefits of nature for stress reduction, cognitive function, & resilience.

Panel Discussion - Kirk Bradley:

- Discussed mental health resources, tuition affordability, campus infrastructure, & program classification issues.
- Delegates asked about plans to support HBCUs/MSIs, highlighting recent events where students were targeted and felt unsafe.
- Noted challenges like resource allocation, maintenance backlogs, & tuition concerns.

Legislation Passed

AR-19 Hurricane Helene Relief Funds Appreciation Act ([LINK](#))

AR-20 North Carolina Emergency Management Team Appreciation Act ([LINK](#))

AR-21 The Rest & Recharge Initiative ([LINK](#))

AR-23 Student Organizing & Protest Protection Act ([LINK](#))

FB-03 FY2024 Budget Act ([LINK](#))

New Logo Officially Adopted!

Legislation Tabled

AR-22 Election Day Holiday Act - returned to committee ([LINK](#))

AR-24 Graduate Student Representation Act - returned to committee ([LINK](#))

Committee Action

Internal Operations: Reviewed the ASG strategic plan & discussed structural improvements

Council of SBP: Reviewed & selected 35 Fellows applications

Budget & Finance: Passed Senate Bill 03 & discussed & reviewed grant applications

Government Outreach: Outlining logistics for Spring Advocacy Day

Campus Outreach: Initiative promoting 17 grants & internships

Media Outreach: Launch of new logo, social media campaigns, & newsletter preparation

HBCU & MSI Relations: Planned social media campaigns, a new scholarship application party at WSSU, & a new grant application

Grad. & Prof. Student Relations:

Approved a grant fund, planned advocacy topics, and scheduled webinars on resilience, branding, & financial management

Strategic & Social Innovation: Organized legislative leaders' roundtable and awards program; worked on AR-22 & AR-23

Health & Wellness: Approved wellness grants, & brainstormed collaborations for 2025 initiatives



What's Next?

January 2025

The 53rd Session will be reconvening on January 31st, 2025.

We will be traveling to North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University in Greensboro. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

In the meantime, keep an eye out for more resources and ways to connect with UNC ASG, including **a series of webinars** from the Graduate & Professional Student Relations Committee, **informational campaigns** from the HBCU & MSI Relations Committee, **grant opportunities**, and updates on **pending legislation**.



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Do **YOU** want to be featured in the next issue of ***Across the System?***

Email your submissions to mediaoutreach@uncasg.org by February 10 to be considered.

Submission Guidelines

- You must be a current student in the UNC System to submit
- Submissions should highlight outstanding students and/or initiatives/events on your campus
- Max word count: 500 words (email if your piece is longer - acceptance considered case-by-case)

Meet your 2024-2025 Executive Board!



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