SGA Appropriations Process and Guidelines

Application Process

1. Only student organizations, who are registered & in good standing with the Office of Student Life, may apply for SGA appropriations funding.
2. Complete the SGA Appropriations Application in its entirety so the appropriations committee can understand the full scope of your travel/event and your budget.
3. Applications are due at least one month prior to an SGA appropriations meeting. Email SGA@uthscsa.edu. See www.uthscsa.edu/sga for meeting dates (typically held the third Wednesday of the month).
4. Appropriations may be requested for conferences and events.
5. The appropriations committee will contact each student organization requesting money with further instructions.
6. A representative from the student organization must be in attendance at the SGA appropriations meeting in which the appropriation will be discussed. The representative must be ready to present their request with the most updated itemized list to the committee prior to the meeting by at least 48 hours.
7. The appropriations committee must have all receipts and pictures/flyers are turned in to the Office of Student Life (MED 314L) within 30 days of the event/trip.
8. The final application deadline for the fall semester is November 15th and the final application deadline for the Spring Semester is April 15th. Applications will not be accepted from April 16th to August 14th and November 16th to January 14th.
9. Only non-SGA members (SGA Executive Board members and SGA Representatives) may present at the Appropriations meeting during the application process.
10. If you do not show up within a 15 minute timeframe after the scheduled Appropriations meeting time, your student organization will not be funded nor given a rescheduled meeting time.
11. Application must be approved by 2/3 vote of Appropriations committee to move forward for further approval by SGA Executive Board.
12. Applications must be completed before submissions. Re-submissions will not be accepted.

Note: For questions about the Appropriations application process, please contact Ellyse Sanchez (sancheze5@uthscsa.edu).

Reimbursement Process

1. All appropriations are made via a reimbursement process after the funds have been dispensed by the student organization.
2. Only actual expenses will be reimbursed. Please submit original itemized receipts/invoices supporting travel expenses including name of person to be reimbursed and method of payment.
3. The appropriations committee must have all receipts and pictures/flyers are turned in to the Office of Student Life within 30 days of the event/trip. Once returned, the Office of Student Life will notify the SGA Treasurer for furthering the process.

Guidelines

1. The nature of travel/event must benefit the university as a whole.
2. Student organizations may only be awarded one appropriation per semester.
3. Only actual expenses will be reimbursed. Please submit original receipts/invoices supporting travel expenses within 30 days of
the event/trip.

4. Donations are **NOT** reimbursable.

5. Groups applying for funding are strongly encouraged to be interdisciplinary, in order to involve as many of the five schools at the HSC. The likelihood of funding the application increases when the purpose involves interprofessional education (IPE).

**Travel**

- Appropriations funding may be awarded for registration fees for conferences. (Lodging, airfare, mileage, etc. will be funded). Gas is **NOT** reimbursable. Legitimate expenses only will be reimbursed.
- Complete the Texas Hotel Occupancy Tax Exemption Certificate.
- We strongly encourage a group of students to travel in one car.
- Maximum funding per organization, per year, must not exceed **$1,000** for in-state travel.
- Maximum funding per organization, per year, must not exceed **$1,500** for out-of-state travel.

Note: Travel Reimbursements may be reduced due to budget limits. **Student organizations may only submit 1 travel application per year.**

**Events**

- Maximum funding per organization, per year, must not exceed **$1,000**.
- When applying for an event, appropriation funds cannot go towards the purchase of food*. The funds for events should only be used to cover operating expenses (supplies, audio/visual requests, room reservations, facilities requests, cost of inviting a speaker, etc.) Appearance fees will **NOT** be funded. (*Exceptions may apply.)
- Groups must open event to ALL students at the HSC and prove they have advertised to the entire university, via email, etc.
- For Community Service Events, SGA will fund a maximum of **$1,000** for the event.

**Note: Student organizations may only submit 1 event/activity application per year.**

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