NDSA-11-2526

A Resolution in Support of the NDSA's Student Concern Priorities for the 25-26 Academic Year

'WHEREAS, the North Dakota Student Association (NDSA) represents the voice of North Dakota's 45,000 public college and university students; and,

²WHEREAS, the purpose of NDSA is to represent all students enrolled in the North Dakota University System (NDUS) and advocate on issues of higher education in support of access, affordability, quality, and the student experience; and,

³WHEREAS, the Policy, Advocacy and Research (PAR) Subcommittee works to identify important and topical policy issues that not only affect students of higher education but also issues that could potentially be legislated upon; and,

⁴WHEREAS, the State Legislative Affairs Committee (SLAC) discusses NDSA's legislative strategy and ongoing policy discussions within the state government; and,

*WHEREAS, having a list of student concern priorities for the academic year allows for more focused communication and collaboration with other groups and relevant stakeholders; and,

WHEREAS, a list of student concern priorities provides metrics for the NDSA to be able to track strengths and areas of growth in our efforts; so,

'THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the NDSA's priority student concerns for the 25-26 academic year as follows:

- Mental health
- Freedom of speech
- College affordability and scholarship stability
- Student quality of life
- Workforce development; and,

²**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHEST RESOLVED,** that the SLAC committee and PAR subcommittee will focus on the following student priorities to attempt to draft state legislation on:

- Campus housing
- Food accessibility
- Mental and physical health resources
- Funding for student-led research
- Academics and career success
- Internships

Approved by the North Dakota Student Association General Assembly Saturday, November 15th, 2025