

General Assembly Constituency Report 1

Senator Information

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Constituency: On-Campus

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Meetings and Events Attended/Hosted

Date	Organization/Event Name	Discussion Topics	Primary Contact Info for Organization/G roup
10/26	On-Campus Senators Booth	Resolutions that on campus	
/23	on the Oval	students want to see	

Since being elected to be part of the General Assembly, what have you done to represent the student voice in the chamber and in other relevant circumstances?

Since being elected to the General Assembly at the end of September 2023 (to fill a vacancy seat for on-campus senators), I have made my presence known to the on-campus student population here at Ohio State. The primary method that I have participated in to accomplish this was working a table on the oval during the day on Thursday, October 26th, 2023.



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From 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., I worked a table with my fellow on-campus senators. We chose the oval as this was a location on-campus that sees a high number of Ohio State students. We would wave to students and say hi to introduce ourselves and to ensure that our faces were familiar to them. Each time a student came over to our booth, we would ask them their names and introduce ourselves, and would ask them to share something they enjoy about on-campus living, as well as one thing they could change or believe that could be improved upon. This gave us senators some valuable information.

Certain issues that we heard about included hate speech/hate crime incidents, where we were able to discuss our current resolutions and projects to combat. Some other ideas that we heard about were certain academic departments across the university, as well as the quality of life in certain dormitory halls. A sizeable number of students also stated that they did not have many concerns now, in which we instructed them to our website where they can at any time leave feedback or ideas that they wish to see.

Overall, this experience was valuable to introduce myself to numerous oncampus senators. As a senator who has recently filled in a vacancy spot, at the time of this event I was still new to General Assembly as a whole. This was my first major event to introduce myself and to hear from my constituency, and I could not find this experience more valuable.