

**A Resolution to Support the Increased Implementation of Merit-Based Scholarships**

Zach Clark (for himself and Samer Abusway) introduced the following resolution to the Steering Committee, where it passed.

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**Whereas** the Undergraduate Student Government represents all undergraduate students at The Ohio State University, and

**Whereas** there are many undergraduate transfer students, campus-change students, and non-traditional students who come to The Ohio State University’s Columbus Campus every semester,<sup>1</sup> and

**Whereas** The Ohio State University offers many great merit-based scholarships for incoming freshman,<sup>2</sup> and

**Whereas** The Ohio State University currently offers many great special-eligibility scholarships with a wide variety of eligibility criteria for incoming transfer students,<sup>3</sup> and

**Whereas** The Ohio State University currently does not offer any merit-based scholarships that are solely for transfer students, campus-change students, non-traditional students, or students who are not incoming freshman, and

**Whereas** Indiana University,<sup>4</sup> University of Illinois,<sup>5</sup> Pennsylvania State University,<sup>6</sup> Ohio University,<sup>7, 8</sup> and University of California Los Angeles<sup>9</sup> offer merit-based scholarships not only for incoming freshman but for incoming transfer and regional campus-change students, and students who are not incoming freshman, and

**Whereas** the General Assembly passed *49-R-30: A Resolution to Include Resource Stewardship in Ohio State University’s 2017 Strategic Planning Proposal* which advocated for the expansion of merit-based scholarships, specifically referencing ACT/SAT scores;

<sup>1</sup> <http://enrollmentservices.osu.edu/report.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <http://undergrad.osu.edu/cost-and-aid/merit-based-scholarships>

<sup>3</sup> <http://sfa.osu.edu/transfer-student/about-aid/types-of-aid/scholarships>

<sup>4</sup> <https://scholarships.indiana.edu/scholarships/index.html?typeOfStudent=Incoming%20Freshman%20Student&residency=Out-of-State>

<sup>5</sup> <https://admissions.illinois.edu/Invest/scholarships-all>

<sup>6</sup> <https://studentaid.psu.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/university-wide>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.ohio.edu/financialaid/types/scholarships.cfm#Continuing>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.ohio.edu/admissions/tuition/scholfinaid/transfer-scholarships.cfm>

<sup>9</sup> <http://www.scholarshipcenter.ucla.edu/src-donor-scholarships/transfer-students/>

36 **Therefore Let it Be Resolved** that the Undergraduate Student Government at The Ohio State  
37 University encourages that university administration look into adopting more merit-based  
38 scholarships specifically for transfer students, campus-change students, non-traditional students,  
39 and students who are not incoming freshman.

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Floor Vote: Passed.

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President

*Danielle M. DiScalla*

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Vice President

Date Adopted: 3/1/17

Date Terminated: \_\_\_\_\_