

University of Illinois Springfield

Student Government Association Resolution 15 (AY 13-14)

Supporting the Establishment of Physical Education and Wellness Courses

By Treasurer Joshua Eastby, Speaker Paige Heiser, Senator Michael Lotspiech

WHEREAS, the Student Government Association is vested with the authority to represent the students of the University of Illinois Springfield;

WHEREAS, UIS is the only public institution of higher education in the state of Illinois that does not have physical education and wellness coursework available to students;

WHEREAS, the Student Government Association has previously acknowledged the importance of expanding the available coursework in diverse physical education and wellness disciplines as a means of increasing the educational opportunities available to students at the University of Illinois Springfield through Student Government Resolution 8 (AY 12-13; attached);

WHEREAS, a comprehensive liberal arts education is an effective vehicle for allowing students to pursue health and wellness goals alongside their educational pursuits, and the addition of physical education coursework strengthens the University's commitment to the holistic wellness of its students through a rich and diverse academic experience;

WHEREAS, the addition of physical education and wellness coursework will serve to enrich the diverse course offerings and can build support for establishing new courses of study in Exercise Science, Sports Management, and the expansion of the Teacher Education Program;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Student Government Association reaffirms its strong support for the addition of physical education courses to the course offerings available to UIS students as part of the ongoing effort to enrich the experience of UIS students, to attract students to UIS, and to further the goal of providing a holistic liberal arts education that defines UIS as an institution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution be forwarded to Karen Moranski, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and other relevant faculty and staff, to be considered alongside the corresponding proposal currently moving through the course approval process.

President Aaron Mulvey

Secretary Samia Ahmad