

A nighttime photograph of a city skyline with lights reflecting on a body of water. A white rectangular box is overlaid on the image, containing the text "GPSS Senate Meeting".

# GPSS Senate Meeting

A panoramic view of the Seattle skyline at dusk. The sky is a mix of deep blue and purple, with the city lights beginning to glow. The Space Needle is prominent on the left side of the frame. The city buildings are silhouetted against the twilight sky, with some lights visible. The water in the foreground is dark, reflecting the city lights.

# Call to Order

Alex Bolton

# Approval of Agenda

Alex Bolton

## GPSS Senate Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, May 18, 2016 5:30 pm

HUB 334

	<b>Title</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Info / Action</b>	<b>Min.</b>
1	Call to Order	Alex Bolton	Action	1
2	Approval of the Agenda	Alex Bolton	Action	1
3	Approval of the Minutes	Alex Bolton	Action	1
4	Spotlight: King County Executive Dow Constantine	Alex Bolton	Information	10
5	Result from the 2015 GPSS Census	Jenn Kirk	Information	10
6	Resolution in Support of Greater Resources and Coordination for Mental Health Services for Students	Seth Begerson	Action	15
7	Tobacco Free Campus Discussion	Brian Tracey	Information	15
8	Good of the Order	All	Information	10
9	Officer Reports a. Vice President of Internal Affairs b. Vice President of External Affairs c. Treasurer d. Secretary e. President	Various	Information	10
10	Announcements	All	Information	10
11	Adjourn	Alex Bolton	Action	1

# Approval of Minutes

Alex Bolton



Graduate and Professional Student Senate

Senate Meeting Minutes Session 12

MAY 4, 2016 | HUB 334

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER: 5:40 pm

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Elloise Kim (Secretary)** moves to switch the order of the “Black Lives Matter Resolution” and “Spotlight: ASUW Candidates”.

**Michelle Brault (Molecular & Cellular Biology)** seconds.

**Laura Taylor (Molecular & Cellular Biology)** moves to approve the amended agenda.

**Jenn Kirk (Biostatistics)** seconds.

Seeing no objections, the amended agenda is approved.

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### 3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

5:41pm

**Mahdi Ashrafi (Mechanical Engineering)** moves to approve the minutes.

**Michelle Brault (Molecular & Cellular Biology)** seconds.

The minutes are approved.

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### 4. ELECTION SPEECHES

5:42 pm

**Michelle Brault (Molecular & Cellular Biology, Elections Committee Chair)** explains the procedure for voting. Each candidate will have four minutes, with 2-3 minutes for the speech and one minute for questions. She asks that everyone who votes include their name and department on their ballot, so the Elections Committee can verify if the individual is a current registered member of the GPSS.

**Mahdi Ashrafi (Mechanical Engineering)** asks whether the votes will be anonymous to the candidates.

**Michelle Brault (Molecular & Cellular Biology)** Yes, the names will be physically removed once they have verified the individual is a GPSS Senator.

President

**Monica Cortes Viharo (VP of Internal Affairs)** introduces herself. While she feels uniquely



**Spotlight: King County Executive  
Dow Constantine**

**Alex Bolton**



# UW Campus Landscape

Elloise Kim

# UW CAMPUS LANDSCAPE MAINTAINING A LEGACY



A photograph of a campus scene. A large, leafy tree stands on the left side of the frame. In the background, a multi-story brick building with a portico and columns is visible. A person is sitting on a wooden bench in the foreground, looking towards the building. The scene is set on a green lawn.

**What is your perspective of the  
campus's landscape quality?**





## PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- 1 Legacy of the Campus Landscape**
- 2 Current Planning Efforts**
- 3 Stakeholder Feedback**
- 4 Current Maintenance Trends**
- 5 Stewardship Strategy**
- 6 Discussion / Feedback**









## PLANNING PARTICIPANTS

- Office of the University Architect
- Transportation Services
- **Marketing & Communications**
- **Enrollment**
- Advancement
- Admissions
- Student Life
- External Affairs
- Intercollegiate Athletics
- **UW Bookstore**
- **Grounds Operations**
- **Planning and Management**
- Foster Business School
- Minority Affairs
- **UW Medicine**
- Alumni Relations



# MY PLACES SURVEY: 1,943 Participants





## THE GOOD & THE BAD

### “ IDENTIFY YOUR FAVORITE LANDSCAPE ”

5,364 icons placed

#### **RED SQUARE**

“The HEART of Upper Campus... This is a significant crossroad hidden within the bricks of Red Square.”

“Beautiful view of the sunset behind the statue, the mountain behind the fountain, Suzzallo.”

#### **DENNY YARD**

“The classic setting.”

“A very collegiate atmosphere.”

“The big trees here are some of my favorite on campus.”

#### **LIBERAL ARTS QUAD**

“A great spot, best on a sunny spring day when the lawns are a new green—just in the day.”

“The quad is beautiful all year, but especially in the fall.”

### “ IDENTIFY LANDSCAPES IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT ”

2,312 icons placed

#### **RED SQUARE**

“Iconic, but hideously ugly.”

“Red Square is such an opportunity lost—it is hard, austere, and lacks the traditionalism that many of the other public spaces on campus embody.”

“Bricks are super dangerous when it's raining.”

#### **DENNY YARD**

“Wish the area in front of and around Denny was more majestic—it is the oldest building on campus and it feels forgotten next to the new Paccar.”

“The pathway from the Quad to Denny Hall should be asphalt and strengthened.”

#### **LIBERAL ARTS QUAD**

“It would be nice if there was more seating in the quad.”

“Bricks are loose, paths are warped.”

“I always trip over the uneven bricks in the quad.”



# APPA STANDARDS

## APPA : Leadership in Educational Facilities

They survey educational institutions to define maintenance standards for universities to compare themselves against.

*APPA Standard: Levels of Care are based on the number of maintenance activities being used and their frequency.*



**1**  
High Visibility



**2**  
The Norm



**3**  
Sub-Standard



**4**  
Declining  
Landscape



**5**  
Naturalized  
Area



**6**  
Wilderness

The Standard





# CURRENT LEVELS OF CARE



**W**

PRIMARY AXIS





# ICONIC LANDSCAPES



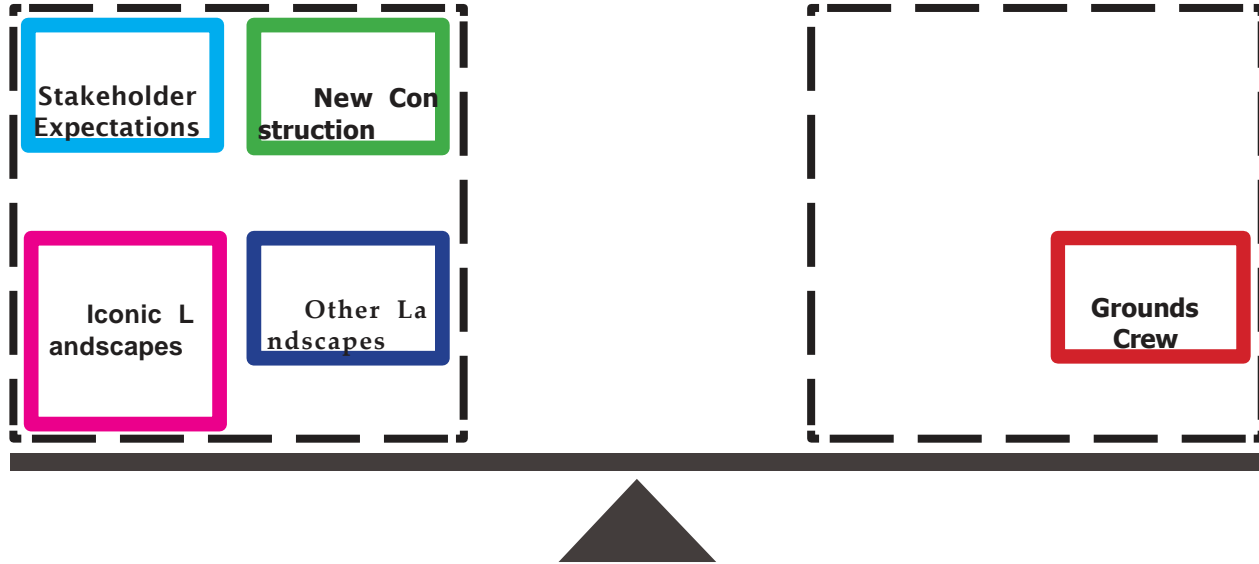


## OTHER LANDSCAPES



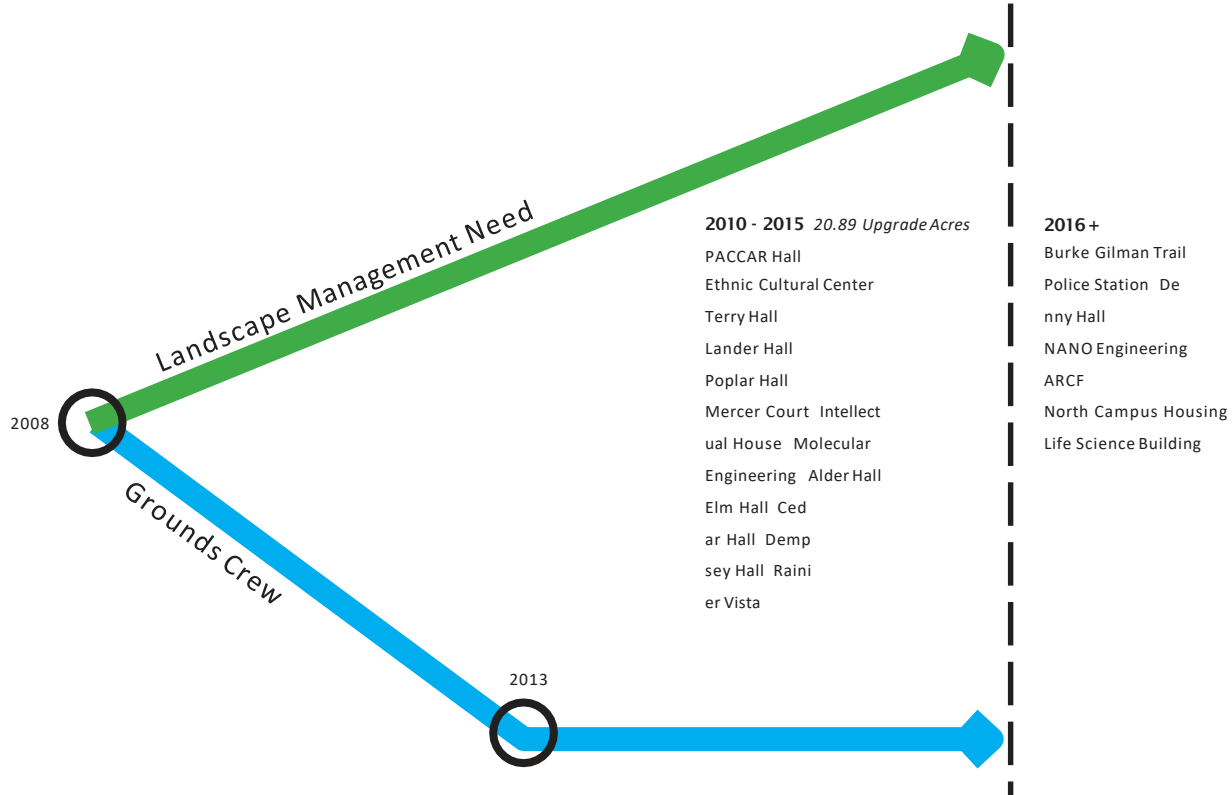


# BALANCING PRIORITIES





# CURRENT TRENDS





# LANDSCAPE TRANSFORMATION



**Elm Hall** Before & After



**Campus Parkway** Before & After





# MAINTENANCE CHALLENGE



**NO NEW STAFF**



## **NEW CONSTRUCTION**

Plant Establishment **3Years**

New Landscape Types

New Trees

New Garden Beds

New Irrigation N

ew Lawns

Less Forested Areas

Higher Quality

Elevated Maintenance





# STEWARDSHIP STRATEGY



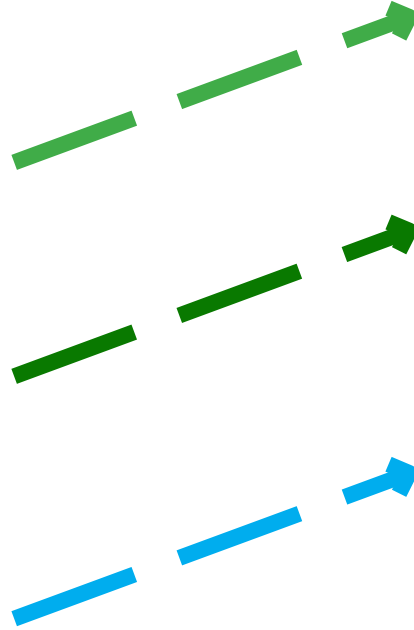
NEW CONSTRUCTION



LEVELS OF CARE



GROUNDS CREW





- **Gain Feedback & Garner Support**
- **Evaluating & Update Maintenance Standards**
- **Establish Landscape Performance Metrics**
- **Redefine Landscape Maintenance Zones**
- **Prioritization of Landscape Improvements**
- **Explore Funding Opportunities**



**Thoughts?**  
**Questions?**



# 2015 GPSS Census Result

Jenn Kirk

# GPS Respondents

- \* 1,601 Graduate & Professional Students
- \* 61% Female
- \* 9% International
- \* 21% Non-White; 6% Latino/Latina
- \* 3% Military; 6% Disabled
- \* 44% 2013 AGI \$24,000 or less

# GPSS

75%

of respondents had heard of GPSS before the census

UW Admin Top Priorities		ASUW/GPSS Top Priorities	
Cost of Education	80%	Cost of Education	72%
Student Employee Stipends	51%	Career Development	52%
Career Development	50%	Student Employee Stipends	51%
Paid RA in Field	42%	Support for Diverse Students	38%
Mental Health Services	33%	Student Diversity	33%

# Support for Childcare

73%

of graduate & professional students support the use of university resources to raise money for childcare

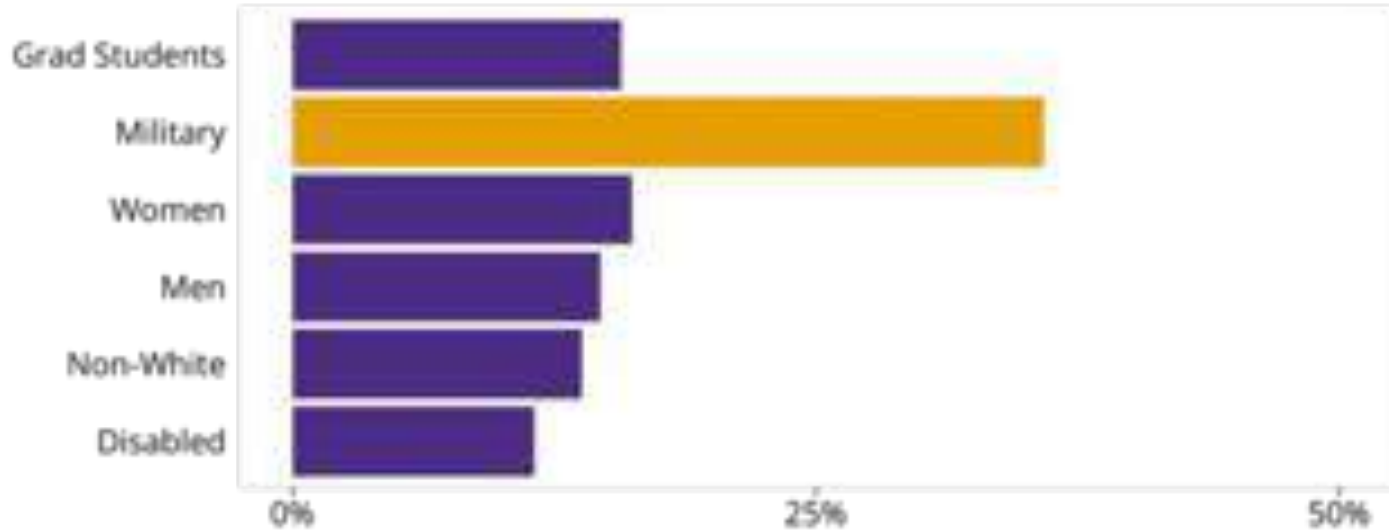
76%

of student parents agreed that unmet childcare needs negatively impacted their ability to work

79%

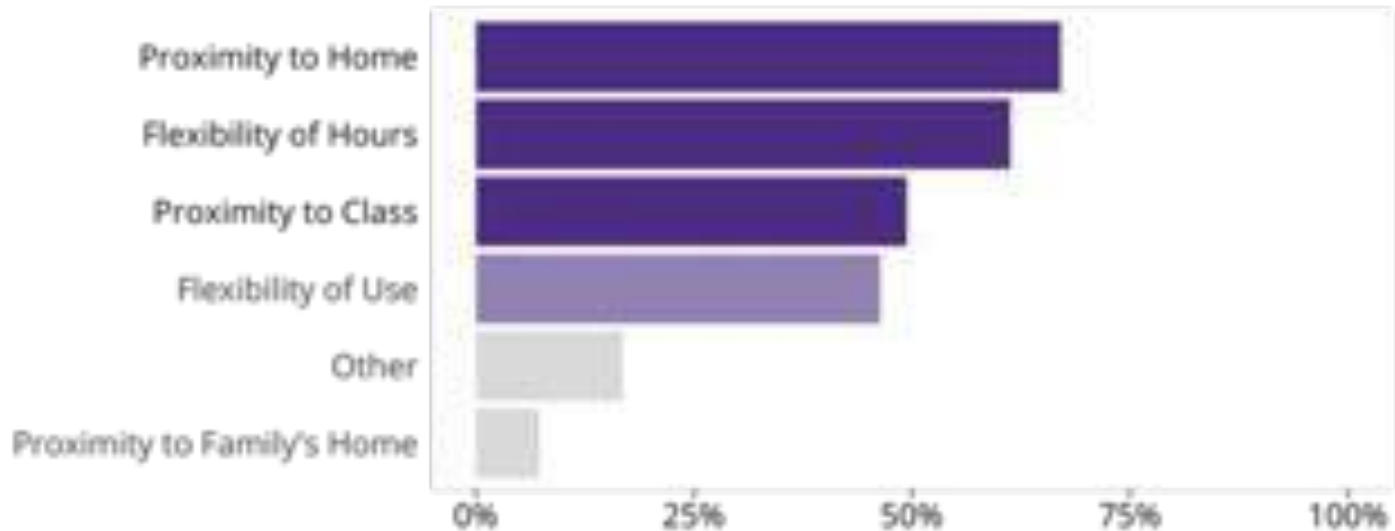
of student parents agreed that unmet childcare needs negatively impacted their ability to study

# Proportion of Parents

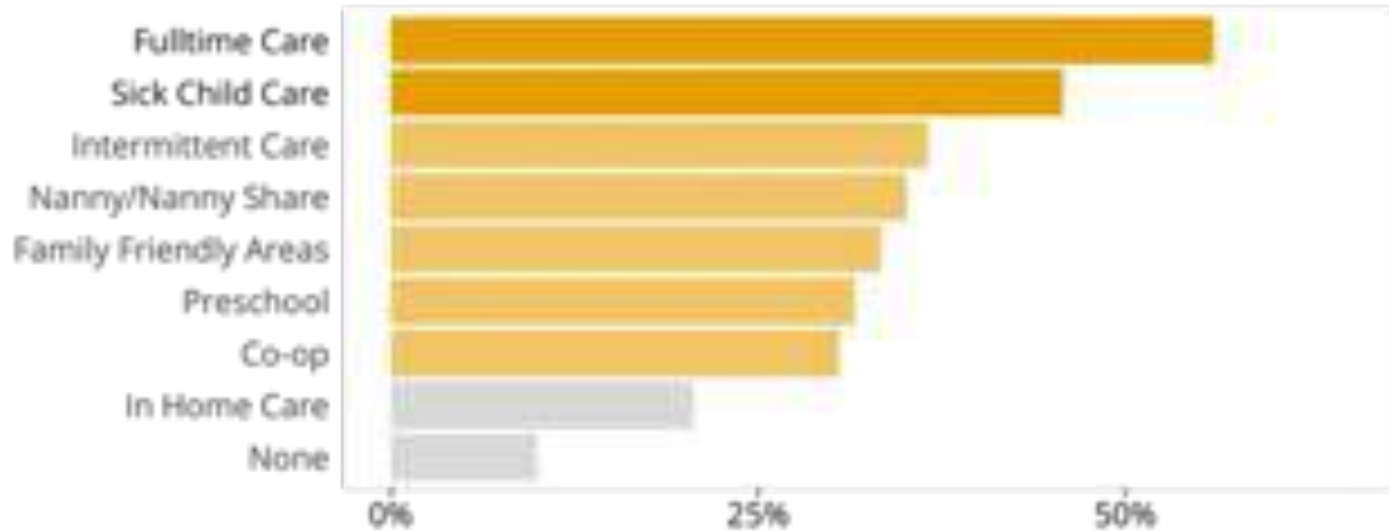




# Aspects of Childcare



# Childcare Options





# Resolution in Support of Greater Resources and Coordination of Mental Health Services for Students

Seth Bergeson

1 Title: **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF GREATER RESOURCES AND**  
2 **COORDINATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR STUDENTS**

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4 Sponsored by: Seth Bergeson (Evans School), Adam Bell (College of Education), Nicole Arroyo  
5 (Immunology), and Joseph Telegen (English)

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7 Written by: Seth Bergeson (Evans School), Adam Bell (College of Education), Nicole Arroyo  
8 (Immunology), and Joseph Telegen (English)

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10 Resolution Number: 07. 15-16

11  
12 WHEREAS the University of Washington (UW) is a source of not only academic support for  
13 students, but also a source of support for their physical and psychological health and well-being;  
14 and

15  
16 WHEREAS Interim Provost Gerald Baldasty in an email to the student body on January 20, 2016  
17 declared, "Behavioral health promotion and suicide prevention are among our top priorities" and  
18 explained that "mental health and substance abuse are among the most cited reasons college  
19 students don't complete their degrees"<sup>1</sup>; and

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21 WHEREAS an increasing number of undergraduate and graduate students nationwide are  
22 experiencing mental health disorders, and UW students are experiencing higher rates of anxiety  
23 and depression<sup>2</sup>; and

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25 WHEREAS the increasing nationwide demand for mental health services on university campuses  
26 is growing much faster than institutional enrollment<sup>3</sup>; and

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28 WHEREAS "mental health" in this resolution refers broadly to behavioral health, substance  
29 abuse and dependence, and psychological well-being; and

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31 WHEREAS increased mental health services on university campuses have been demonstrated to  
32 increase the proportion of students graduating<sup>4</sup>; and

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<sup>1</sup> Baldasty, G. & Suite, D. Retrieved from  
[http://engage.washington.edu/site/MessageViewer?em\\_id=193213.0&dlv\\_id=185722](http://engage.washington.edu/site/MessageViewer?em_id=193213.0&dlv_id=185722).

<sup>2</sup> Sarah Ketchen Lipson, Sasha Zhou, Blake Wagner III, Katie Beck & Daniel Eisenberg (2016).  
Major Differences: Variations in Undergraduate and Graduate Student Mental Health and  
Treatment Utilization Across Academic Disciplines, Journal of College Student Psychotherapy,  
30:1, 23-41, DOI: 10.1080/87568225.2016.1105657; correspondence with Hall Health staff.

<sup>3</sup> Center for Collegiate Mental Health. (2016, January). 2015 Annual Report (Publication No.  
STA 15-108). Retrieved from [http://ccmh.psu.edu/wp-  
content/uploads/sites/3058/2016/01/2015\\_CCMH\\_Report\\_1-18-2015.pdf](http://ccmh.psu.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/3058/2016/01/2015_CCMH_Report_1-18-2015.pdf).



# Tobacco Free Campus Discussion

Brian Tracey

# TOBACCO POLICY BRIEF

May 2016

"WE DON'T SMOKE [TOBACCO]. WE JUST SELL IT. WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO SMOKE FOR THE YOUNG, THE POOR, THE BLACK AND STUPID." –R.J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO COMPANY EXECUTIVE

"THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON IS COMMITTED TO MAINTAINING A SAFE AND HEALTHFUL WORK AND EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL FACULTY, STAFF, STUDENTS, AND VISITORS." (WAC 478-136-035)

## BACKGROUND

*THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON HAS A HISTORY OF STANDING UP TO THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY...*

- Winter 2000: UW bans the sale of tobacco products on campus (ASUW Senate Resolution R-98-01)
- Fall 2001: UW bans smoking in residence halls
- Spring 2006: UW limits smoking to designated areas to prevent secondhand smoke exposure and fires
- Spring 2011: UW Medical Center enacts a tobacco-free campus policy to improve health

*...BUT, IN RECENT YEARS, PROGRESS HAS STALLED.*

- Spring 2013: ASUW Senate votes 'no' on a resolution in support of a 100% smoke- and tobacco-free campus policy (R-19-24)
- Spring 2015: UW Board of Environmental Health & Safety unanimously recommends a tobacco-free campus policy to President and Interim Provost, who defer to elected student leaders
- Spring 2016: National College Health Assessment (NCHA) report from Fall 2015 survey reveals that 85% of UW students are in favor of a tobacco-free policy

## CURRENT POLICY

"Smoking is prohibited in all university facilities, including but not limited to the following locations:

- inside all buildings owned or occupied by the university and/or used by the university's faculty, staff, or students;
- University vehicles;
- at any outside areas or locations, except those designated by the Director of EH&S or in WAC 478-136-035.

Smoking of any kind, including the use of electronic cigarettes, is allowed only at these limited designated sites determined by the Director of Environmental Health and Safety..."

(<https://www.ehs.washington.edu/passsmoking/index.shtml>)

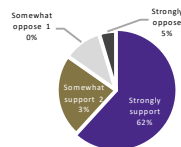
## POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

- Make UW tobacco-free by prohibiting tobacco use in all indoor and outdoor areas of the university (with exemptions for traditional ceremonial activities of recognized cultural and/or religious groups)
- Encourage policy compliance, not policy enforcement; allocate campus resources to tobacco cessation services

## KEY FACTS FROM NCHA

- Random sample; 598 students responded
- Eight percent of UW students smoke cigarettes
- Another 8% of UW students recently stopped, or plan to stop, using tobacco (any form)
- Sixty-eight percent of UW students who smoke cigarettes support a tobacco-free campus policy

NCHA Question: "UW policy currently allows tobacco use in designated areas around campus. How supportive are you of UW becoming a tobacco-free environment on all parts of the campus?"



AS OF APRIL 4, 2016, AT LEAST 1,137 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES ARE TOBACCO-FREE, INCLUDING OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, UCLA, UC BERKELEY, THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY, AND SEATTLE UNIVERSITY. (NO-SMOKE.ORG)

## TOBACCO FACTS

- Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable disease and death in the United States; smoking kills more Americans than alcohol, car crashes, AIDS, fires, drugs, and gun violence, *combined*.
- Smoking causes 1 out of every 3 deaths from cancer.
- The tobacco industry is replacing its dying customers with people of color, sexual and gender minorities, people with mental illness, and low SES individuals by spending \$25 million, daily, on targeted marketing.
- Eighty-eight percent of people who smoke started by age 18, but 99% started by age 26; if a student doesn't try smoking during college, they almost never will.
- Nicotine, the addictive ingredient in tobacco, is just as addictive as heroin.
- People who smoke lose a decade of life expectancy, but quitting at a young age undoes most of this loss.
- Approximately 70% of people who smoke want to quit it, but only a fraction of them succeeds each year.

## TOBACCO-FREE BENEFITS

- Supports people trying to quit using tobacco
- Supports people who have already quit using tobacco
- Encourages abstinence from tobacco
- Prevents exposure to secondhand smoke
- Reduces cigarette litter (and cleanup costs)

## CONCERNS: ADDRESSED

- *Tobacco use is legal:* There is no "right to smoke." UW alcohol and firearms policies regulate the use of legal products for the protection of the larger community, so the same can be done with tobacco. Meanwhile, a bill raising the minimum age for tobacco purchase to 21 is moving through the State Legislature; this would legalize tobacco purchases for most undergraduates.
- *Tobacco-free policies discriminate against smokers:* Nobody is born a "smoker." Most people who use tobacco say that it was a misinformed choice to start. The current policy does little to help smokers combat their addictions and, instead, favors non-smokers by ensuring fewer run-ins with people who are smoking, perpetuating the "smoker" stigma on campus.
- *Such a policy is not enforceable:* The policy is intended to change the social norms of tobacco use on campus, not to enforce immediate change.
- *Policy implementation is expensive:* Up-front costs can be expected, but the long-term benefits to UW and its students greatly outweigh them.

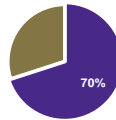
## RESOURCES

- UW Tobacco Studies Program (<http://depts.washington.edu/tobacco>)
- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Tobacco-free College Campus Initiative ([www.tfcci.org](http://www.tfcci.org))
- University of Kentucky /Go Tobacco-free (<http://www.uky.edu/TobaccoFree/>)

Of people who smoke...

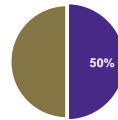


...started smoking by age 26.



...want to quit.

Of people who use tobacco...



...will ultimately die from it.



# Good of the Order

All





# Executive Senator & Liaison Position Opening

Yasmeen Hussain



# Officer Reports

Various



# Announcements

All

# Committees in need of GPSS Liaisons

Austin Kinney, University Affairs Director, [gpssua@uw.edu](mailto:gpssua@uw.edu)

## Student Technology Fee (2016-2017)

### Purpose

Appropriate over \$4 million to the students of the University of Washington. Every student enrolled at UW pays a small fee per quarter, which is aggregated and then paid out to supplement the technological requirements of the student body.

### Time Commitment

Mondays, 4:00-6:00 pm

HUB 303

## U-Pass Advisory Board (2016-2017)

### Purpose

It is the responsibility of the Advisory Board to report and make recommendations to the ASUW Board of Directors and GPSS Executive Committee regarding the program, including but not limited to fee changes and cancellation.

### Time Commitment

Every other week, Board decides on the time and day of the week.

A nighttime photograph of a Gothic cathedral with illuminated spires and trees. The scene is lit with warm yellow and orange lights, creating a soft glow against the dark blue twilight sky. The cathedral's architecture is partially visible on the left, with a prominent spire. Trees in the foreground and middle ground are also illuminated, adding depth to the scene.

Adjournment

Next Meeting  
June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016