

**Hagerstown Community College  
Student Government Association  
SYLLABUS 2014-2015**

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**Description:** HCC's Student Government Association is a vehicle for involvement in the college and acts as the official student representative body. The SGA serves as the voice of the student body on issues concerning campus life and participates in shaping policies and student regulations. All credit students, both full-and part time, can be members of the SGA. This governing body was created to enhance the quality of student life and the success of students through participation in social, cultural, educational and recreational opportunities. Elections are conducted each spring for the offices of president, vice president, treasurer, secretary and four senators.

**Mission:** The SGA will serve the college community by creating an environment in which relationships and unity are cultivated; resulting in a strong sense of pride while accurately identifying the perspectives and needs of students.

**Objectives:**

1. To represent to the College Administration the interests of the students attending Hagerstown Community College
2. To maintain a positive system of communication and understanding between all members of the College community
3. To ensure all rights granted to student involvement in all phases of college life
4. To uphold all rules, regulations, and privileges set forth by Hagerstown Community College
5. To promote the development of leadership skills for all students
6. To fund activities for the student population such as social, public, and cultural events, leadership training, publications, clubs and organizations, athletics, and other such services needed by students
7. To actively participate in the Hagerstown Community College Shared Governance system and abide by the Hagerstown Community College Code of Trust.

**Student Learning Outcomes:** Students who participate in Student Government will explore a wide range of co-curricular opportunities to achieve their highest levels of personal and academic success. Students will develop civic-minded awareness by engaging in community outreach and develop leadership skills by attending conferences and seminars. Students will create a strong network of support through interactions with fellow students, faculty, administration, and members of the community.

**Meeting Information:** The SGA officers meet monthly for an executive planning session. In addition, members who are on the programming board meet monthly. SGA also meets monthly with all club representatives.

**2014-15 Goals:**

1. Organize monthly “themed” events that appeal to our diverse demographic of student
2. Support and encourage club activities through Club Fairs, club recognition program, and good communication including use of social media
3. Support and promote HCC’s no smoking policy by setting up areas in building lobbies with educational information about the dangers of using tobacco products, creating flyers to hang on the bulletin boards, and organizing smoking cessation support classes each semester
4. Set up information tables in building lobbies at the beginning of each semester to help students find their classrooms and disseminate information about upcoming events, the new no tobacco policy, the College Guide, and other important information
5. Participate in one community service project each semester
6. Support HCC’s Title IX initiative with an awareness campaign