

FROM: Student Affairs Policy Committee

DATE: March 30, 2023

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

At the Committee's March 15 meeting, it discussed the Pay One Price course material program, expenses for Pom Squad members, students missing classes before Thanksgiving due to travel, classroom first-aid supplies, and the student emergency fund status.

We also addressed a range of issues put forward by a faculty member in the School of Middle Eastern & North African Studies. The letter said students were concerned about the Writing Center, campus security, mandatory student fees, dorm maintenance and lack of toilet paper on weekends, availability of water refill stations on campus, and difficulty making appointments with Student Health Services. The committee is collecting information and will share back what it learns.

On March 16, SAPC members participated in the "Technology Access: A Basic Student Need" session at UArizona's [Diversity & Inclusion Symposium](#).

Our next SAPC meeting is April 12. We are trying to invite a representative of the Meal Plans Office to share details about the [new mandatory meal plan](#) for all first-year students living on campus (starting in Fall 2023). We have questions about costs, options, waivers, and other issues.

The committee also would like to make Senate aware of the following student- and course-related news and resources:

- If faculty haven't submitted Fall 2023 [textbook adoptions](#) to the UA BookStores yet, please do so as soon as possible. In order to have Fall 2023 course materials included in Pay One Price (the flat-rate course materials program launching for all undergraduate students in Fall 2023), timely textbook adoptions are essential. Please see the [frequently asked questions for faculty](#) or email payoneprice@arizona.edu for more information about Pay One Price.
- The [Writing Skills Improvement Program](#) offers free services for undergraduate and graduate students during the semester, including:
 - **Individual appointments:** meet with a writing specialist for 50 minutes to review and discuss documents, strategies, concerns, etc.
 - **Drop-in sessions:** meet with a writing specialist for 20 minutes to review short documents or discuss quick questions
 - **Online Writing Room:** join our Wednesday room for facilitated writing time. A specialist is on-hand to meet for quick discussions. The room is open all year, 12-2 pm (AZ)
 - **Writing Workshops:** Alternating Monday and Wednesday workshops
 - **Small Group appointments:** meet with a writing specialist and group of 3-4 other writers for facilitated feedback

Also check out the [online resources for students](#). To make an appointment, go to the [center's website](#), email writingskills@arizona.edu, or call (520) 621-5849.

- Student Engagement & Career Development's [LifeLab](#) offers UArizona students personalized coaching and career support. No appointment is needed. LifeLab is in Bear Down Gym, Room 264. It's open Monday-Friday, 12-5 pm. Email lifelab@arizona.edu.

GOALS:

- Have active representation from ASUA, GPSC, and Student Success & Retention Innovation
- Continue to support basic needs initiatives and increase awareness of resources
- Explore student-affecting policies that changed and reverted during the pandemic to assess their continued applicability
- Continue to actively seek information about current student challenges and concerns; the committee welcomes contact from our colleagues about any student issue you may hear about; please email co-chairs Cheryl Casey (ccuillie@arizona.edu) and Diane Ohala (ohalad@arizona.edu).