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# A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

ADRIAN NUÑEZ  
PRESIDENT



It's great to be a Miami Hurricane! What a great, yet challenging year it has been for Student Government. We faced adversity early in the semester against Hurricane Irma, but ultimately we returned more resilient and renewed than ever. In partnership with the Division of Student Affairs, we were glad to partner on the Relief Day of Service and our Welcome Back dinner. Although we lost twenty-one days, Student Government did not skip a beat. I am beyond grateful for our hardworking Executive Board and our exceptional Advisors who worked tirelessly to complete our campus initiatives and enhance our students' Cane experience. I am excited for the incoming Executive Officers and their team, and look forward to their successes in the coming year.

Go Canes!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adrian Nuñez".



## FORWARD THOUGHTS

CELESTE BALBONI  
EXECUTIVE-AT-LARGE  
INTERNAL

This year the Student Government Executive Board worked to ensure that every Cane can answer the question: "What has Student Government done and continued to do for UM?" Throughout our Annual Report, you can see an overview of the projects and initiatives that answer this question. We also hope to expand upon prior annual reports and continue the tradition of providing written documentation that will aid future members of Student Government, as well as fellow students, administrators, faculty and staff. It is our goal that future Student Government members use this report as a way to build upon the many successes and learn from past challenges we've experienced as a campus organization over the years. We hope you enjoy reading about the initiatives our Student Government members have worked on to enhance the student experience at the University of Miami. We look forward to continuing to connect and work with many members of this community in the years to come. On behalf of Student Government, thank you for reading!

LYGC,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Celeste M. Balboni".

# EXECUTIVE BOARD



The Executive Board of Student Government works with administration to create and implement new initiatives and ideas on campus. Additionally, the board works to be the voice the student body to help foster the best college experience. The 2017-2018 Executive Board is composed of the:

- President Adrian Nuñez
- Vice President Coleman Reardon
- Treasurer Emily Bajalia
- Chief of Staff Brianna Hernandez
- Speaker of the Senate Henson Destine
- Speaker Pro-Tempore of the Senate David Mejia
- Chief Justice of the Court Alani Fraga (2017) / Sy Lam (2018)
- Director of Academic Affairs Evan De Joya
- Director of University Affairs Gyles Ward
- Executive-at-Large External Alexander Klar
- Executive-at-Large Internal Celeste Balboni
- Director of Communications Maria Bucarano
- Elections Commission Chair Luis Goberna
- ECO Agency Chair Alec Jiminez
- Category 5 Chair Rachel Russel



## OUR ADVISORS

- Dr. Ryan C. Holmes
- Mr. Brandon Gross
- Ms. Heather Stevens
- Ms. Samantha Martin



**UNLIMITED**  
 — YOUR VISION. OUR MISSION. —

**COMPLETED**

- Permanent Lighting at The Rock
- Have an Idea? - SG Suggestions
- It's On Us Campaign
- On Campus Food Offerings
- SG Member Relationship Building

**IN PROGRESS**

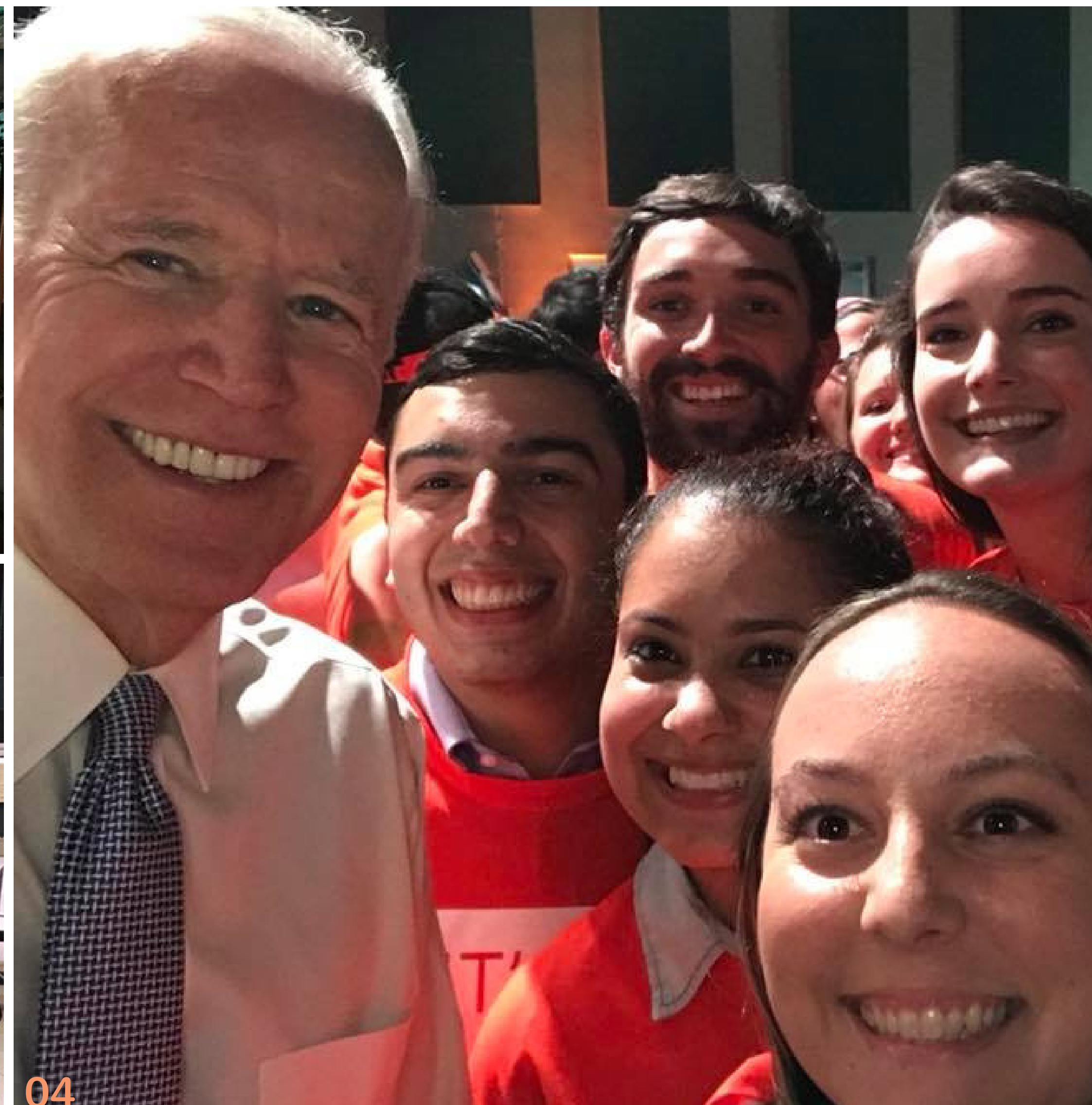
- SG Speaker Series
- Graduate & Undergraduate Mentorship Program
- Subsidize Uber Costs
- Improved Wifi on the Green

**HIGHLIGHTS**

Hurricane Irma  
 Support & Welcome

Pancakes with  
 Pat

Student  
 Fan Zone



# LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Through the leadership of the Speaker, Speaker Pro-Tempore and the Council of Chairs, Senate used different methods such as social media, free food and tabling to reach out to students. They also helped co-sponsor several organizational events. Senate's hope was to explore initiatives that best encompassed student needs so that senators could more effectively do their jobs as student representatives. Even though the year is coming to a close, their jobs are not. Senate will continue to pursue and complete initiatives that they have started and start new ones as addressed in meetings. As representatives of the student body, Senate believes that they can help create the UM that students desire and deserve.

## SENATE COMMITTEES

- Policy and Finance
- Public Relations
- University Affairs
- Academic Affairs

## BILLS PASSED & PROJECTS COMPLETED

- Course Evaluations on Canelink
- Talent Database
- Syllabus Database
- Free feminine hygiene products
- Renovated Frost Music Practice Rooms
- Wynwood Walls Initiative
- Glider Lights and Chargers



# JUDICIAL BRANCH



The Supreme Court is the Judicial Branch of Student Government and is charged with upholding the provisions and powers of the Student Government Constitution and Statutes.

Court periodically convenes representatives from various aspects of Student Government to shape the Elections Codes in a way that reflects campus realities while also providing adequate deterrents to misconduct and appropriate sanctions.

The Court hopes to continue build off of this groundwork to continue connecting Student Government and the University of Miami community through meaningful interactions. Through deliberative action, the Court will continue to maintain order and serve as a valuable resource to all.

# ELECTIONS COMMISSION

The purpose of the Student Government Elections Commission is to organize and coordinate all aspects of the spring and fall Student Government elections. The duties of Elections Commission are to review and approve all SG applications and campaign materials, to enforce elections codes, to plan and organize elections events including Meet the Candidates and Executive Ticket debates and to present all violations to Trial Court for hearings. In addition, the Elections Commission determines the polling times and locations, oversees polling sites, tabulates all votes and announces elections results.



**637**

Votes in  
Fall Elections

**1,017**

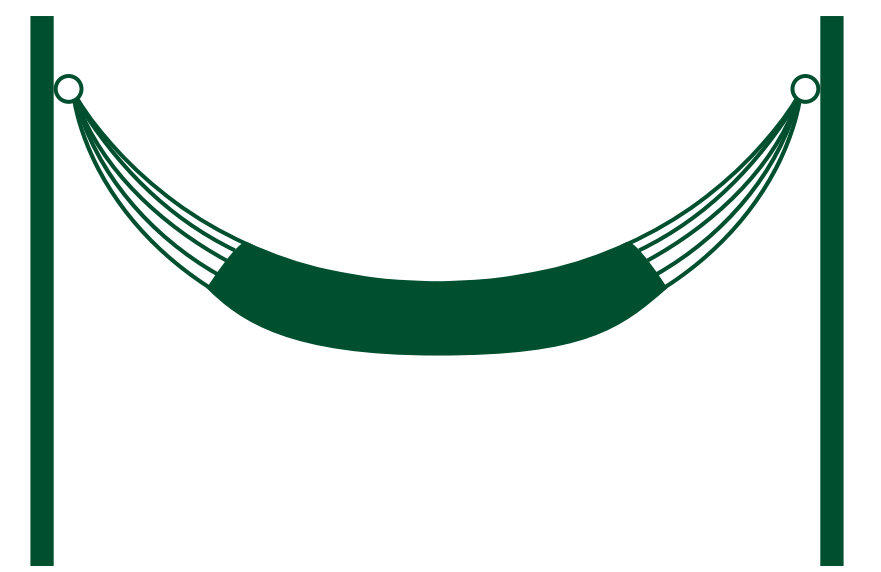
Votes in  
Spring Elections



# FRESHMAN LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Led by the Vice President, three Project Coordinators and a Leadership Development Coordinator, members of the Freshman Leadership Council (FLC) gain hands-on experience in completing projects and initiatives to enhance student life on campus. The FLC members are paired up to work on a project throughout the year. They also learn a lot about leadership through various activities as well as from guest speakers from across campus. FLC is a great first step in getting involved on campus!

## PROJECTS



- Hammock Loaning Program
- Staff Appreciation Events
- UBazaar
- Preferred Name on CaneLink
- SG Gives Back
- 24/7 SC Finals Study Space
- "Suite Life"
- Levante Shuttle Stop
- Increased Lighting at the Rock
- Brand Ambassador & Vendor List





# ACADEMIC LIAISON COUNCIL

The Academic Liaison Council (ALC) is comprised of 10 students from nearly all of the undergraduate schools and colleges at the University of Miami. The liaisons serve as the points of contact between different academic areas and Student Government. They work to facilitate and coordinate an overall understanding of all the current academic projects and initiatives within all aspects of Student Government.

## PROJECTS

- **Foundational Courses:** Improved the consistency of large, multi-section courses across campus
- **Study Spaces:** Rathskeller & Dooly Classrooms available for students to study in during finals
- **Discussion-Based Learning:** In conjunction with Senate Academic Affairs Committee, implemented discussion-based through ALC participation with the University Quality Education Project (QEP)
- **Improved Tutor Recruitment:** Collaborated with Camner Center for Academic Resources and Office of the University Registrar to implement improved tutor recruitment
- **OFASE Q&A:** Hosted an open Q&A session with the Office of Financial Assistance and Student Employment



# CAMPUS LIAISON COUNCIL

The 12-member Campus Liaison Council works with administrators and decision-makers all across campus. They further Student Government's mission and initiatives while developing mutually beneficial relationships that enable SG to be an asset to the University community.

## PROJECTS

- Bill for Lighting in Red Lot
- Dance Classes at Wellness Center
- Lowe Art Museum Student Advisory Board



- UCook
- Printers in Dooly Memorial
- Improved Wi-Fi in Richter
- Crisis Simulation Exercise
- IT Surveys

# BOARD OF COMMUNICATIONS

Comprised of six members, the Board of Communications coordinates all external communications for Student Government. The goal of the board is to inform students of ongoing SG and administrative initiatives that impact the campus community. This board works to directly connect the student body to administration through strategic use of communication channels.



**1416**  
FOLLOWERS



**745,356**  
IMPRESSIONS



**45**  
COUNTRIES  
REACHED

## UOUTREACH

The goal of Student Government UOutreach committee is to support students, collaborate with organizations and reach out to the student body through campus-wide programs.

This year, UOutreach had events such as SG Awareness Week in the fall and spring, Study Breaks, Stickers for Suggestions, Donut Forget to Vote, and Senior Sendoff Week.



# ECO AGENCY

The Energy and Conservation Organization (ECO) agency is an agency of Student Government that creates and implements environmental initiatives on campus to create positive change for the present and the future. ECO is the youngest agency of Student Government. The ECO Agency continues to be the leading force of environmentalism and sustainability on campus to better the University of Miami as a whole and our environment. ECO's vision is to build an environmentally friendly campus, promote green habits, educate and further awareness of environmentally-friendly practices, and to have fun, live big and be green.

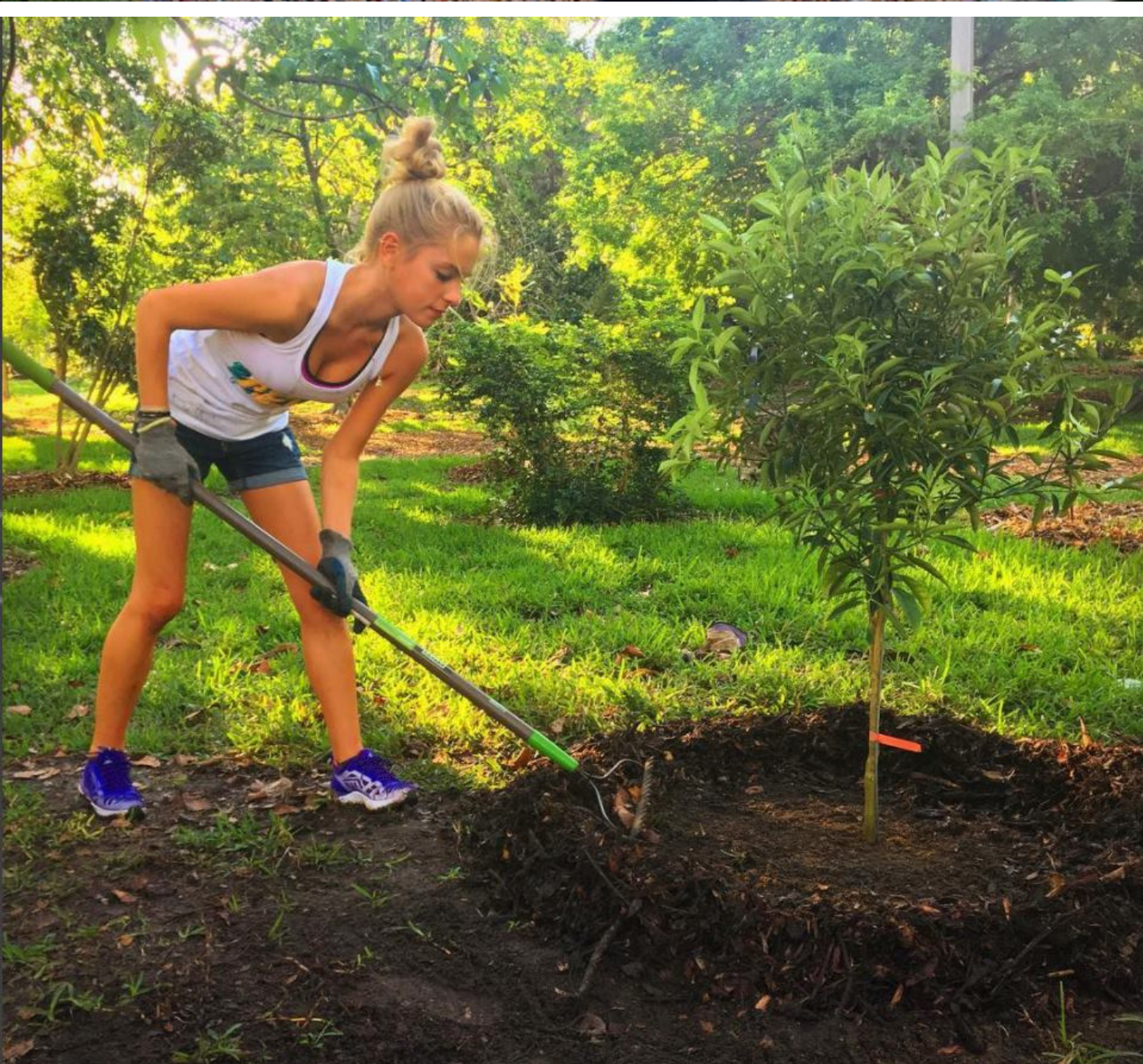
## COMPLETED



- UC Food Court Restrictive Opening Recycling Plaques
- "Green" Athletics Relationship
- UTHRIFT Re-branding/Upgrade @ Farmer's Market
- Phone Charging Solar Umbrellas
- Green Event Sponsorship & Training

## IN PROGRESS

- School of Architecture Solar Panel System
- Hand Dryers in the SCC
- 3M 100% Reflective Window Film Beta Test
- Grow Wall in Ungar
- Arboretum Improvements



## A YEAR WITH ECO

- Aug. - Sustainable Coffee Habits
- Sep. - #IRMA - Replanted ECO Tree
- Nov. - Green Athletics Conference
- Oct. - WASTED! Movie Screening & America Recycles Day
- Dec. - 60 Years of Sebastian
- Jan. - Involvement Fair
- Feb. - DONUT Contaminate
- March. - World Water Day
- April - Earth Day Celebration, Don't SUCKulent - Say NO to Plastic Straws

# CATEGORY 5



Category 5 is the Spirit Programming Board focused on preserving and implementing spirit and traditions relating to our Division 1 athletics teams at the University of Miami. It represents the student body by acting as the link between the Athletic Department and the students. Category 5 focuses on enhancing in-game experiences for students to promote love of Alma Mater and cultivate memorable student interactions.

## EXTERNAL

- Fall Pep Rally
- Freshman Walk
- Podcasts with Out The Huddle
- Pancake Breakfast
- Student Organization of the Game
- Senior Walk

## INTERNAL

- Monthly Category 5 Newsletter
- Intramural Teams
- Committee Olympics
- Exclusive Giveaways for Members
- Better Messaging
- Category 5 Awareness Day & Events



# EXTERNAL APPOINTMENTS



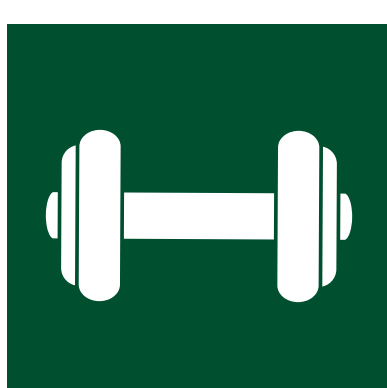
Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees  
**EVAN DE JOYA**



Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees  
**MIA LAM**



Faculty Senate Representative  
**EVAN DE JOYA**



Department of Wellness and Recreation Advisory Board  
**NATALIE MARRERO**



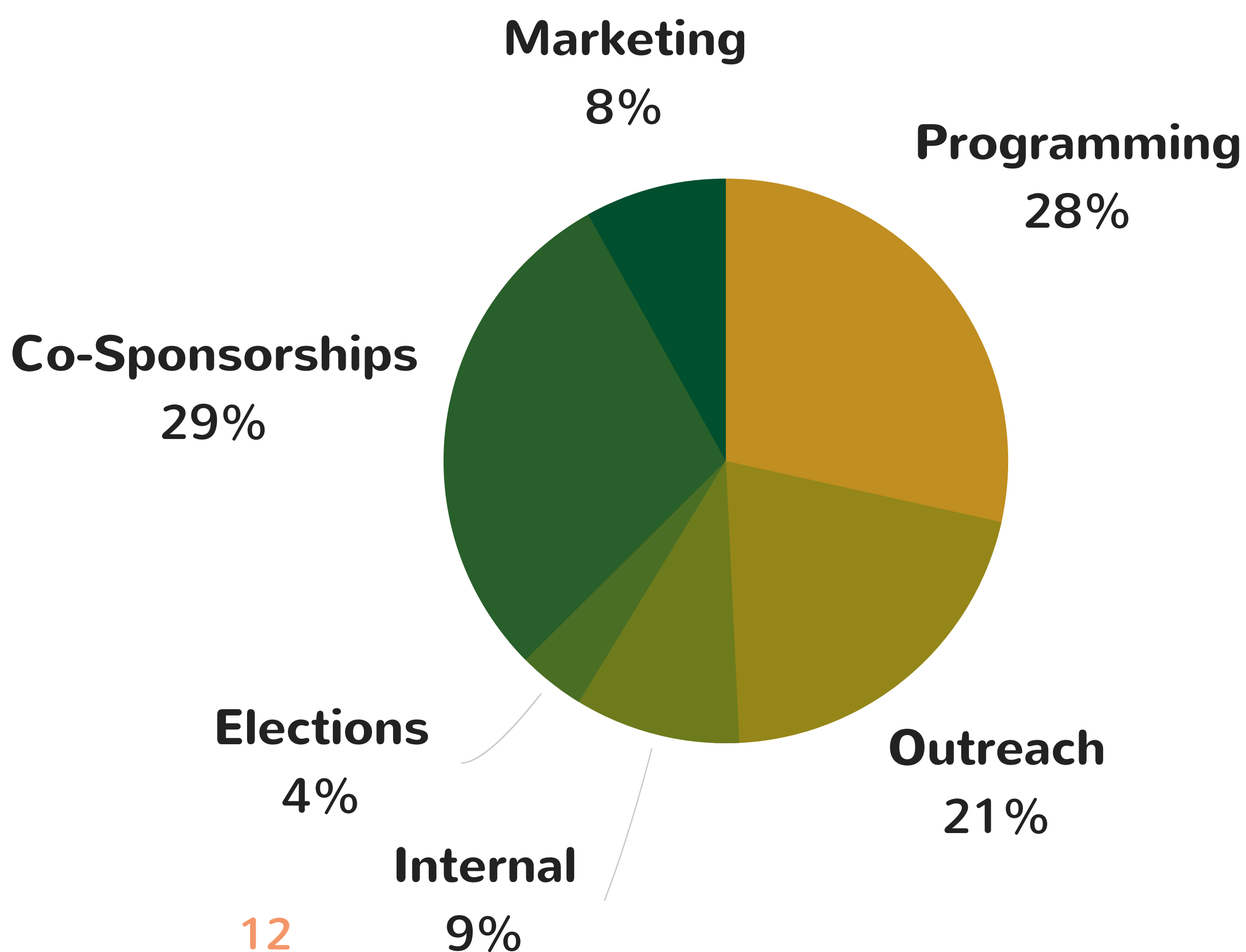
Board of Publications  
**MARIA BUCARANO & PATRICIA SANTANA**



President's Coalition on Sexual Violence Prevention and Education  
**CELESTE BALBONI**

# FINANCES

As elected officials representing the student body, it is our goal to spend money on initiatives that fall under our mission statement: Student Government of the University of Miami aims to enhance the undergraduate student experience through a commitment to representing the voice of all 'Canes.



# HISTORY OF STUDENT GOVERNMENT

**1958**



Associated Students formally constituted including 11 member Undergraduate Council, School Governments, and Honor Council.

**1986**



Honor Code and Council established by way of Student Government Referendum.

**2006**



Student Government creates a referendum in support of the creation of new Student Center.

**2018-2019**



70 years of Student Government!

## DID YOU KNOW?

Two former Student Government Presidents currently work at the University of Miami. One of them serves as an advisor!

**1978**



Alicia Cervera elected as a sophomore to be President Undergraduate Student Body Government.

**1997**



State of the University Address given in Rathskeller by Student Government President Jonathan Brill.

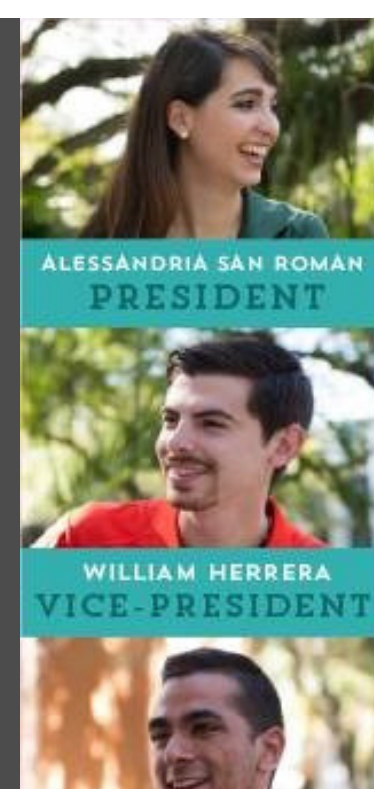
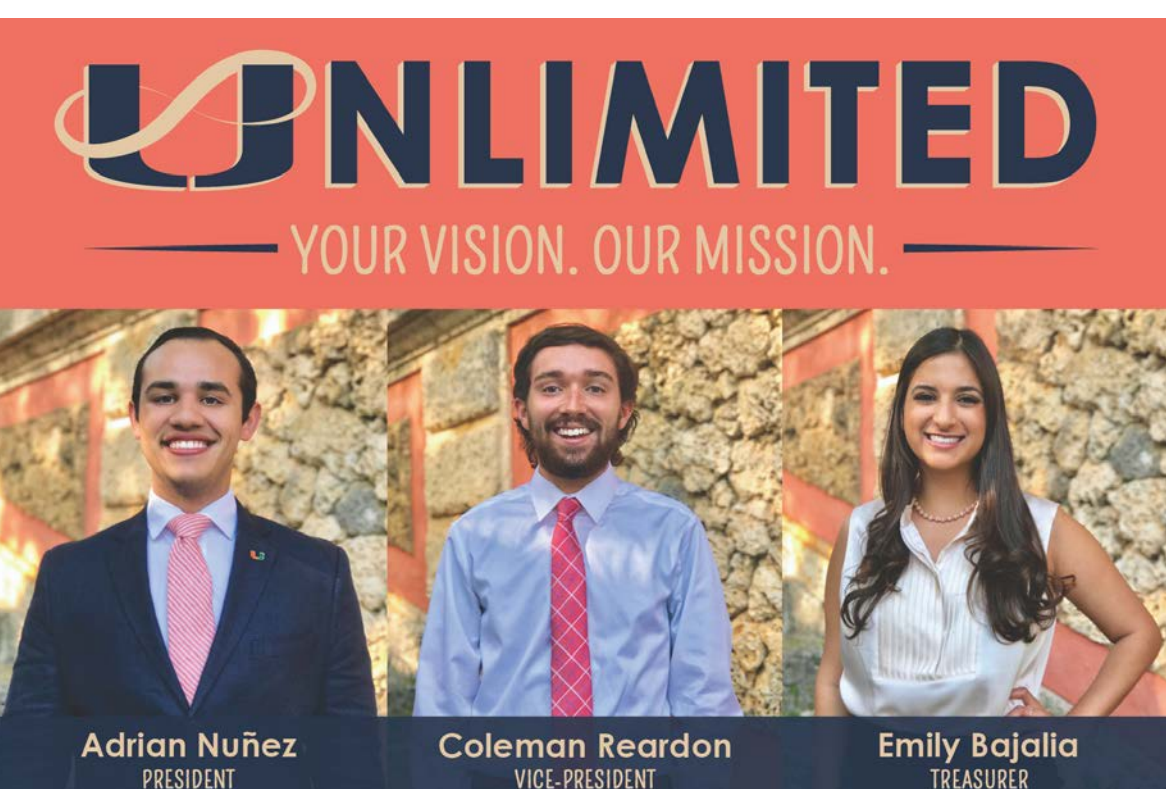
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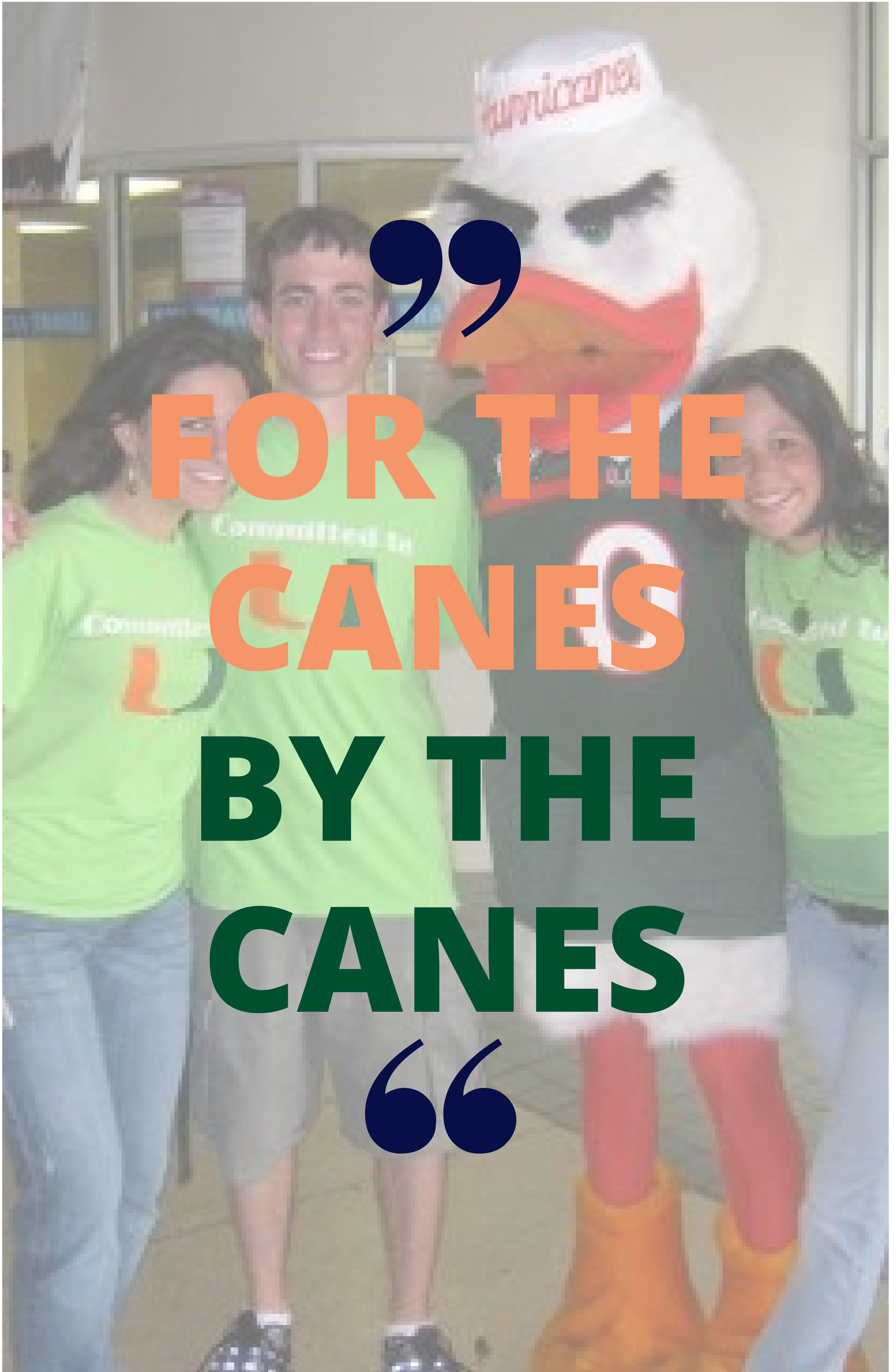


Student Government unveiled U Statue after working on it's creation for 3 years.

# PRESIDENTS THROUGH THE YEARS

1959-1960	Jim Blosser	1988-1989	Freddie Stebbins
1960-1961	Kay Nabors	1989-1990	Darryl L. (Troy) Bell
1961-1962	William Cornell	1990-1991	Irwin Raij
1962-1963	Stuart Bloch	1991-1992	Irwin Raij
1963-1964	Mark Clasby	1992-1993	David Diamond
1964-1965	A. Lee Clifford	1993-1994	Adam August
1965-1966	Thomas R. Spencer	1994-1995	Adam August
1966-1967	James P. Fleming	1995-1996	Monica Aquino
1967-1968	Dennis Richard	1996-1997	Stephen Roche
1968-1969	Michael Abrams	1997-1998	Jonathan Brill
1969-1970	James Yasser	1998-1999	Andrew Paul
1970-1971	Mark Krasnow	1999-2000	Ileana Espinosa
1971-1972	Ray Bellamy	2000-2001	Shane Weaver
1972-1973	Sami Burstyn	2001-2002	Jose Diaz
1973-1974	Scott Anderson	2002-2003	Michael Johnston
1974-1975	Ken Gardner	2003-2004	Scott Sadowski
1975-1976	Aubin Hill	2004-2005	Vance Aloupis
1976-1977	Susan Havey	2005-2006	Peter Maki
1977-1978	Allan Lubel	2006-2007	Annette Ponnock
1978-1979	Alicia Cervera	2007-2008	Danny Carvajal
1979-1980	Paul Novack	2008-2009	Brandon Gross
1980-1981	Alan Rubin	2009-2010	Lionel Moise
1981-1982	Bill Mallowney	2010-2011	Christina Farmer
1982-1983	Aurelio C. Quinones	2011-2012	Brandon Mitchell
1983-1984	Mark Cheskin	2012-2013	Nawara Alawa
1984-1985	Scott Kornspan	2013-2014	Bhumi Patel
1985-1986	Scott Kornspan	2014-2015	Alessandria San Roman
1986-1987	Jose Garcia	2015-2016	Brianna Hathaway
1987-1988	Bill Barzee	2016-2017	Vikesh Patel





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**FOR THE**  
**CANES**  
**BY THE**  
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