The Student Government Association (SGA) at the Medical University of South Carolina provides a collective voice of students on campus with administration and the community. In addition, the SGA provides a variety of events and activities each year to enhance the student experience.

The SGA is composed of six executive officers and many representatives from each of the six colleges on campus.
Meet Your Executive Team

Celeste Jilich, President
Hello, I’m Celeste. In a nutshell, I connect the student body with official representatives of MUSC by attending Board of Trustee meetings, inviting faculty and staff to provide updates to SGA on any major issues affecting our campus, and chairing a Student Welfare Committee to handle matters such as parking, safety, and student engagement. If you should ever need assistance with something that involves multiple colleges at MUSC or the student body at large, please reach out and let me connect you with the best official to move your ideas forward. Email: jilich@musc.edu

Rock Savage, Vice President of Academics
Hello, I’m Rock. My responsibilities are chiefly concerned with maintaining contact with a few resources that are important to all students here at MUSC. For example, I chair the Academic Affairs Committee and meet with representatives from the Office of Enrollment Services, the Library, and the Student Programs Office. I am the Intramural Sports Liaison and act as treasurer to maintain the budget of the SGA. Finally, I assist the President in execution of SGA policies and will act in lieu in her absence. I am always available via email and willing to meet with anyone that needs their concerns met. Please do not hesitate to email me if you believe I can help you in any way. Email: savagero@musc.edu

Sylvia Jang, Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion
Ahnyeong! (“Hello friends” in Korean). I’m Sylvia Jang, 3rd year medical student and your VP of Diversity and Inclusion! My role is to create initiatives that advocate for and celebrate the different identities we have on campus. I am excited to bring campaigns like Queer, Women’s, and Men’s Health Weeks, Humans of MUSC, and semesterly Town Halls, among others to MUSC. Through these, I hope to engage the student population in topics of diversity and be receptive to the narratives and experiences that make up our student body at MUSC. Looking forward to this year! Email: jangs@musc.edu
Connor West, Vice President of Programs
Hello, I’m Connor. My position is in charge of the planning, prepping and execution of any programming events put on by the SGA. This includes many of the popular events such as Oyster Roast and Alhambra, but also the smaller cultural events such as the Night at the Halsey and the MUSC Theatre 99 Night. I act as the link between students and the Office of Student Programs and Student Diversity and it’s my job to relay any questions, comments, concerns, or suggestions you may have to help improve our programming. Please don’t hesitate to reach out and I look forward to hearing from you! I hope you enjoy all that Student Programs and Student Diversity has to offer! Email: westco@musc.edu

Austyn Roberts, Vice President of Communications
Hello, I’m Austyn. My role in SGA is to chair the Communications Committee and assist in transparency and organization by maintaining the records of the SGA. These records include membership, rosters, agendas, and minutes and are available to all students in the MUSC SGA Public Information Folder in GoogleDrive. My committee and I also maintain SGA’s social media accounts to help keep everyone up to date on upcoming events. This year, we are working to create quarterly newsletters highlighting SGA’s goals and initiatives. I am excited to see how we can better communicate with you in the upcoming year. Email: robertau@musc.edu

Lendrum Morrow, Vice President of Service
Hello, I’m Lendrum. My role is to chair the Service Committee and work closely with MUSC Gives Back to organize service projects and communicate volunteer opportunities. While some volunteer opportunities are small and limited to only SGA members, we have some great service projects this year that are campus wide, and I look forward to seeing you all there! These service events are a great way to get to know fellow classmates from other colleges and represent MUSC in the community. I would love to hear about service opportunities that your colleges and interest groups are participating in around campus so that we can coordinate at a university level. I also welcome any service ideas you have that we could implement in the future! Email: morrowd@musc.edu
Our Initiatives

Communications

A clear weakness of SGA, as seen through surveys from our SGA reps as well as from the student body, has been our method of communication. This Executive team is passionate about working to strengthen this area of our organization by making SGA more transparent through improved communication. We plan to do this with more accountability through the Communications Committee as well as the changes listed below.

- Annual Initiatives Newsletter
- Quarterly Newsletters
- SGA exec team will have “office hours” from 4-8 on the following dates
  - October 8, 2018
  - November 5, 2018
  - January 7, 2019
  - February 4, 2019
  - March 4, 2019
  - April 8, 2019
- Social Media Promotion
  - Instagram: musc_sga
  - FaceBook: MUSC Student Government Association
  - Twitter: musc_sga
- Clear expectations throughout the year for our reps/committees.
Diversity and Inclusion

It is well known that Diversity & Inclusion is part of the vision for MUSC 2020. We at SGA want to bring intentional experiences for students, by students, that become a springboard to foster discussion and promote inclusivity. Through the following initiatives, students will be able to celebrate their identity, share their story, and highlight experiences that make up MUSC’s diverse community.

• Queer, Women’s, and Men’s Health Weeks
• More gender inclusive bathrooms across campus
• University-wide sexual assault survey
• Semesterly Town Hall meetings
• Humans of MUSC featuring different identities at MUSC monthly

Interprofessionalism

The Student Government Association is the largest inter-professional organization of students across all 6 colleges at MUSC. It is an opportunity for representatives to collaborate with students from other disciplines on issues that affect all of us on campus. Additionally, we create social programs and service opportunities for students to meet each other and further develop these new relationships. Students have suggested new opportunities for inter-professional interaction that SGA is hoping to implement for years to come.

• Propose changes to IP Day
• Identify new opportunities for clinical shadowing among inter-professional students
• Humans of MUSC
  • Ongoing project (see above) as well as an additional IP Day activity where students can interview each other
• Promoting the centralization of certain services, such disability access requests, through the Office of the Provost or the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Hello, I’m Dr. Wilson. I serve as the Executive Director of Student Programs and Student Diversity as well as an Assistant Professor. I’m responsible for the administration of student organizations, student activities, off-campus housing, student communications, student diversity, pipeline programming, and service learning/volunteer programs. Additionally, I serve as the overall faculty advisor for the SGA. As your faculty advisor, my job is to guide and support you all in the development of skills that allow you to successfully carry out the mission of the SGA. You will most often see quietly observing your meetings and supporting you all as a source of information and ideas, institutional policy interpreter, and liaison between the SGA and MUSC senior administration. My goal is to ensure you have a dynamic student experience. Please let me know how I can support you as an individual and member of SGA!

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