

Services & Activities Fee Annual Program Review

Program Name: ASCWU Board of Directors
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Fiscal Year: FY23

1. In what ways does your program support CWU students? Please be specific, yet concise.

ASCWU Board of Directors consists of six elected student officers work to represent all CWU students equally and fairly and to ensure that their voices are heard. From facilities to academics, the ASCWU Student Government helps advocate for student concerns and creates programs to make the Central college experience more memorable. Each ASCWU office has their own unique specialization representing the student body across the Ellensburg campus and the University Centers. These budgets help support our mission, student wages, programs, and additional purchases that help ameliorate the student life at CWU.

This fall 2022, the BOD experienced transition of the ASCWU President, and appointed Luis Reyes as the new President. During that transition, the BOD prioritized serving students, held a search for the new Vice President and collaborated to uphold the responsibilities created with the vacancy of one of the BOD positions. The BOD continues to serve on a variety of university committees, task forces, and experiences to elevate the student perspective. A few examples of the BOD's involvement include Vision, Mission, & Values, CWU Strategic Planning Committee, Residence Hall Association, Civil Rights Compliance Search Committee, SURC Partners Meeting, Faculty Senate, Wildcat Essentials Coalition/Basic Needs Task Force, Washington State Legislative Lobbying, and many more). The BOD is invited to many executive level experiences to help maintain student voice in decision making and support CWU students through their courageous conversations.

2. What are your specific program goals or learning/operational objectives? How are you assessing the effectiveness of your program in achieving those targets?

The mission of the ASCWU Board of Directors is to support, represent, and empower all CWU students in their journey within higher education. ASCWU currently leads informal assessments throughout the year and evaluates effectiveness based on engagement with the student body. Each board member works to evaluate effectiveness based on their scope of responsibilities and duties.

3. What is the overall purpose of your program and what service(s) does your program provide?
 - a. Are there overlaps or intersections with other university programs who have a similar purpose or service?

The ASCWU Board of Directors represent student issues to the university administration, work to create positive and inclusive student environments, and offer insight as elected officials on university policies, programs, and initiatives. There are a number of collaborations necessary to ensure that the ASCWU Board of Directors are effective but there is not a similar service or experience offered on campus.

4. How does your program align with the purpose of S&A funding? *“Supporting co-curricular and extracurricular activities and programs participated in by students in the furtherance of their education.”*

We strongly believe that our mission and governance is very much engaged and within the Killians outline of supporting Student Government students serving students. Student Government is a category mentioned in the Killian Outline as allowable funding. Student Government seeks to empower students to throughout campus in both individual developmental positions within Student Government but also through services and activities to the student body.

5. How does your program support CWU’s mission and goals? (<https://www.cwu.edu/mission/>)

The ASCWU BOD directly works to support the CWU mission and goals as well as offer critical thought to ensure students are represented in the mission/goals. ASCWU prioritizes student development across campus to help ensure each student’s experience prepares them for their individual future. ASCWU serves as stewards of the institution representing the student voice across the state, on university committees, the President’s Strategic Plan Committee, and more.

6. Please provide detailed information regarding who utilizes your program? (*Students, faculty, staff, community? Specific demographic information? Class standing, gender, ethnicity, transfer, campus location, etc.*)

All students are represented through ASCWU. The Board of Directors engages in work with the city of Ellensburg leadership, the Kittitas County Auditors Office, and The League of Women voters to get students registered to vote. The BOD encourages students to get involved by coordinating a variety of [student representatives on committees](#), hosting events, and attending events (ex. Athletic and music events, etc.) in hopes of developing connections with their student constituents.

There is currently no ASCWU demographic data being tracked within Presence at this time.

7. How many unique CWU students utilize your program or services?
- How do you gather these metrics?
 - If you do not, what is preventing you from getting that data and how are you determining usage by CWU students?

ASCWU serves all communities on campus including but not limited to: Equity and Service council students (BSU, Mecha, Equal, Able, etc), BIPOC communities, LGBTQIA+ community, transfer students, student veterans, undocumented students, international students, etc.

8. Are there any current vacant positions in your program?

No, all positions are filled.

9. Given the budget reductions taking place and continuing for the remainder of the funding cycle, please tell us what specific impacts those reductions have had on your program compared to what was originally planned and including in your initial base funding request.

The ASCWU BOD has strategized, benefited, and continue to serve as a responsible steward of the funds bestowed from our student's investment. We will look for further collaboration, efficiencies, and prioritize our student employees above all as they create the experience and embody the voice of the student community. With any reductions, we will consider the student voice in each conversation.

10. Are there any circumstances or challenges that are currently impacting your ability to use your base funding allocation this year?

The abrupt transition of the ASCWU President in Fall 2022 left the BOD to reset and start over utilizing the fall to develop the team. While a new President and Vice President have been identified, the Senate Speaker position remains vacant with Senators increasing hours to offer leadership and support. Due to an unsuccessful search to fill the BOD vacancy, the wages for that position are currently being repurposed.

11. What growth or increases would you like to see in your program in the future?

The 2021 –2022 BOD hoped to move to a space on the main floor of the SURC to be more visible to students, more funding for larger scale events, more funding for uniforms (shirts) for all officers, employees, senators, and ESC members, more funding to hire enough office staff to have 9am-5pm coverage of the front desk if we were to be on the first floor of the SURC, etc.

The initiatives of the 2022 – 2023 BOD are focusing on identifying funding to support a new multicultural center, basic needs education and support for students, and redesigning the ASCWU suite to create a more functional space for students to utilize throughout the week. Additionally, the BOD is focusing on having one cohesive ASCWU team where all BOD Offices and their staff work together to collectively represent the student body (this is through joint trainings, all staff meetings, and legitimizing each position to develop future leaders for ASCWU).