



SB 2012-13: 08

Heritage Programs

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Purpose:

The purpose for establishing criteria for new Heritage Programs to seek ASI funding is to ensure equal and fair treatment for potential Heritage Programs. Due to the passing of the SB 2012-13: 02 Amendments to Student Opportunities Initiative, ASI will now establish how new heritage programs will seek ASI funding. This Senate Bill will supersede SB 94-95: 01.

As stated in the SB 2012-13: 02 Amendments to Student Opportunities Initiative, “New heritage programs seeking ASI funding require approval by a majority vote of the seated ASI Senate. All Heritage Program funds shall be directly managed and distributed to respective groups by ASI.”

Current Heritage Groups and Funding:

Based on the Amendments to Student Opportunities Initiative, the allocation for Heritage Programs is currently set at \$2.58 per student for the 2012-13 fiscal year. This amount shall increase over the next four years and thereafter be adjusted annually for inflation based on the Higher Education Price Index

2013-14	\$3.00/student
2014-15	3.25/student
2015-16	3.50/student
2016-17	4.00/student

ASI annual budget funds shall be equally allocated among the ASI recognized Heritage Programs which include but are not limited to the:

- a. Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Program,
- b. Black History Program,
- c. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Program,
- d. Native American History Program,
- e. Women’s Herstory Program, and
- f. Xicano Latino Heritage Program

If a new Heritage Program is established, the total budget shall be divided equally among all of the Heritage Programs.

New Heritage Programs and Funding:

In order to encourage timely planning and funding of Heritage Programs, the following policies shall now take effect:

1. The prospective Heritage Program must meet all guidelines, procedures, and polices that are created and enforced by the Office of Student Life and Cultural Centers (OSLCC) and approved by a majority of the ASI Senate
2. The OSLCC shall make a recommendation to the ASI Senate that the prospective Heritage Program(s) have met the requirements to be considered during the annual budgeting process.
3. The ASI Senate shall make its decisions based on the recommendation submitted by the OSLCC at a regularly scheduled meeting regarding the program's purpose, plan, overall message to the university, and requested funding. The recommendation must first be on the ASI Senate agenda as discussion at a regularly scheduled meeting and then action at the following regularly scheduled meeting.
4. In order to be officially recognized by the ASI Senate, the program must receive a majority vote of the seated ASI Senate.
5. If a new Heritage Program is established, the total budget shall be divided equally amongst all of the Heritage Programs.
6. The Heritage Programs shall comply with all financial guidelines set by ASI, the University, and the CSU.
7. The OSLCC is responsible for the oversight of contracts, rules and regulations that the Heritage Programs must abide to after the disbursement of funds by ASI.

Heritage Program Mid-Year Budget Request:

If a Heritage Program is seeking funding through a mid-year budget request, the following policies shall now take effect:

1. The prospective Heritage program must meet all guidelines, procedures, and polices that are created and enforced by the Office of Student Life and Cultural Centers (OSLCC).
2. The OSLCC shall make a recommendation to the ASI Senate that the prospective Heritage Program(s) have met the requirements to be considered for a mid-year budget request.

3. The ASI Senate shall make its decisions based on the recommendation submitted by the OSLCC at a regularly scheduled meeting regarding the program's purpose, plan, overall message to the university, and requested funding. The recommendation must first be on the ASI Senate agenda as discussion at a regularly scheduled meeting and then action at the following regularly scheduled meeting.
4. The ASI Senate shall have the authority to fund the heritage program from the NP&A accounts and/or ASI Prior Year III reserves.. The amount of funding given to a program during the mid-year budget request will be decided by the ASI Senate or standing committee
5. The heritage program will be eligible to apply for annual budgeting for the following fiscal year to receive funding as stated by the same procedures listed above.

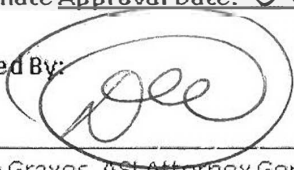
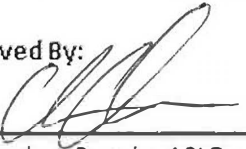
Eliminating Heritage Programs:

The OSLCC shall have the authority to recommend to the ASI Senate the removal of a Heritage Program. The following policies shall now take effect:

1. The OSLCC shall make a recommendation to the ASI Senate that the prospective Heritage program(s) have met the requirements to be considered for elimination of ASI funds.
2. In order to be officially eliminated, the ASI Senate must reach a 2/3 vote of the seated members.
3. If the program is eliminated, the Heritage Program funding shall be adjusted accordingly among the remaining existing Heritage programs.

Justification:

One of the greatest challenges confronting the Associated Students, Incorporated in the decades to come is to maintain the unity of the campus society in the face of its growing diversity. ASI strives to meet this challenge by providing the channels for student empowerment in diversity and heritage programming.

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