



“Grading Fairness Bill”

Bill # 08-04

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Vote: Yes X No _____

Whereas the purpose of the Student Government Association is to provide a responsive forum for student opinions and interests and to actively seek out, investigate and resolve student complaints and concerns; and

Whereas the Student Government Association is the official voice of the students; and

Whereas Georgia State University currently has a grading scale containing an A- but not an A+ and many students who receive a numerical grade of 97 or better do not receive an A+ but students who score 90-92 receive an A-; and

Whereas some professors in a particular College use the +/- grading system while others refuse to use it and some professors use 87 as an A- while others use it as a B, and some professors use 92 as an A- and others consider it an A; and

Whereas the Student Government Association is mandated by their constitution to serve as partners in the administrative processes of the University; and

Therefore let it be resolved that the Student Government Association is in favor of the following:

Abolishing the A- part of the grading scale while keeping the B+, B, B-, C+, and C- by unanimously writing a recommendation letter (written by the Vice President for Academic Affairs) stating that the students opposition to the current A- policy and explaining how mathematically the policy is unfair to Georgia State students and puts them at a disadvantage competing against other university students who may receive an A+ or are graded strictly on an A, B, C, D, and F basis for basis of employment and/or further education.

The letter will detail the different policies of different schools and colleges in the university to elaborate on the inconsistent policies. A copy of the letter will also be sent to the Board of Regents. In addition, a student editorial will be written in *The Signal*.

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