

SGA Bill 3-13-F

A bill to modify the Senate hour requirements for Graduate Senators of the MTSU Student Government Association.

Whereas: All Senators serving in the SGA are required by the By-Laws to perform a total of 24 Senate hours, 12 per semester, in one year's term in order to remain eligible for continued service as a member of the Student Government Association;

Whereas: The course load of the graduate level student is often much more in-depth and time consuming compared to that of the undergraduate student;

Whereas: Graduate Senator retention is hindered by the number of Senate hours required;

Whereas: Maintaining adequate representation of the student body enrolled in the College of Graduate Studies has proven more difficult than other colleges represented in this body.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOVED BY THE 76TH CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1: The SGA By-Laws be adapted to better reflect the academic requirements of the Graduate level student of MTSU.

Section 2: The number of Senate hours required for Graduate Senators will be reduced to reflect the number of hours required to be a full-time student of graduate studies.

Section 3: The number of Senate hours for Graduate Senators will be reduced to 16 hours per academic year, 8 hours per semester.

Section 4: This bill will take effect following passage of the referendum voted upon by the student body.

Sponsored by: Senator Jared Adams

**Co-Sponsored by: Senator Chris Hardeman
Senator Mychal Bowling
Senator Lindsey Pierce
Senator Chelsea Jones**

Speaker of the Senate

SGA President

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