University of Colorado Student Government (CUSG)

What: CUSG is the official student government organization for the University of Colorado Boulder (CU Boulder). CUSG is responsible for allocating $24 million in student fees to improve the lives of all CU Boulder students. The primary objective of CUSG is to serve students wherever possible.

Who: CUSG is made up of three branches, the Executive Branch, the Legislative Branch and the Judicial Branch. CUSG employs about fifty CU Boulder students. The Executive Branch consists of the Tri-Executives, or three student body presidents, their staff, and Freshmen Council. The Legislative Branch, or Legislative Council, consists of Representative Council and the Council of Colleges and Schools. Nine At-Large Representatives sit on Representative Council; eighteen school senators sit on the Council of Colleges and Schools. The Judicial Branch consists of seven Justices.

Where: CUSG’s work is primarily on the CU Boulder campus, but students also work with state leaders on Capitol Hill in Denver, Colo.

When: CUSG was founded on May 2, 1974. New Tri-Executives are elected by the student body every spring. Five new Representatives-At-Large are elected each fall and four new Representatives-At-Large are elected each spring. Justices are appointed by the Executive Branch upon court openings.

Why: CUSG works to ensure that the student voice is heard in important campus decisions, and oversees facilities such as the University Memorial Center (UMC), the Rec Center, Program Council and Center for Student Involvement (CSI) through their positions on joint boards. CUSG also supports student organizations and clubs on campus by allocating funds through the Student Organization Allocation Committee (SOAC) for club expenses like food and events. The primary objective of CUSG is to serve students wherever possible.

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