

**STUDENT SENATE BILL 2019-1073**

**TITLE: The Bridges Minority Outreach Program Establishment Act**

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**CHAPTER 231 BRIDGES MINORITY OUTREACH PROGRAM**

- 231.1 Bridges Minority Outreach Program, as an agency of Student Government, shall operate under the authority of the Student Body President who shall be empowered to remove from position those individuals guilty of malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance.
- 231.11 A member of the Bridges Minority Outreach Program may also be removed by following the procedures as outlined per the 300 Codes of the Student Body Statutes.
- 231.2 Bridges Minority Outreach Program shall be an agency of Student Government whose purpose is to prepare the next generation of racial minority scholars in the state of Florida to be competitive applicants in the University of Florida admissions process. The program is designed to work with high school students from various underrepresented backgrounds by enrolling them in a semester-long mentorship program.
- 231.3 There shall be a Bridges Minority Outreach Program Chairperson who shall be responsible for overseeing implementation of all responsibilities of the Bridges Minority Outreach Program.
- 231.31 The Chairperson shall serve as a liaison between the University of Florida administration, University of Florida Office of Admissions, and the Student Body President.
- 231.32 The Chairperson shall make an oral report to the Student Senate at least once per semester regarding its efforts.
- 231.4 The Chairperson must be confirmed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present and voting of the Student Senate.
- 231.41 Should the Student Senate not confirm the candidate for Chairperson, the Student Body President shall select another candidate within an immediately renewed thirty (30) day window. This procedure shall apply every time a confirmation is not attained. This window shall not apply during recognized University holidays and academic breaks.
- 231.42 Should the Chairperson resign or be removed from office, a successor shall be appointed through the same procedure used to make the original appointment.

- 231.43      The Chairperson shall serve only until the last day of classes in the Spring semester at 8am ET, unless reappointed pursuant to 223.4.
- 231.44      Any replacement Chairperson shall serve only until the last day of classes in the Spring semester at 8am ET, unless reappointed pursuant to 223.4.
- 231.5        The Chairperson shall appoint the number of officials and program members that is deemed necessary to effectively achieve the program's goals. The organizational structure shall be left up to the Chairperson and confirmed by the Student Body President.