



Student Senate

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STUDENT SENATE BILL 2025-1162

TITLE: Resolution Supporting Proposed Improvements to Anthropology Teaching Laboratories in Turlington Basement

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SPONSOR(S): Majority Party Leader Rafeh Khan

WHEREAS, the University of Florida Department of Anthropology is a division of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences which oversees the development and training in subfields such as: Archaeology; Biological Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology, and Linguistic Anthropology [1]; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Anthropology utilizes laboratories within Turlington Hall Basement for teaching purposes within course curriculums as well as research activities; and,

WHEREAS, the environment within teaching laboratories and their resources are integral to maintaining strong academic performances by students and essential to learning [2]; and,

WHEREAS, there are proposed improvements to Turlington Hall Basement facilities such as: B304 Biological Anthropology Teaching Laboratory, B357 Archaeology Teaching Laboratory, and hallways throughout the Turlington Hall Basement; and,

WHEREAS, these improvements to enhance student learning should be aimed at improving the laboratory environment, such as: new tables and chairs, upgraded classroom infrastructure, storage, security, and modernization of classroom technology for in-person and remote learning; then,

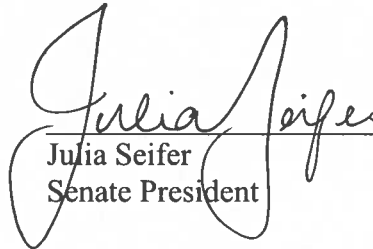
THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate formally supports these proposed improvements to the Turlington Hall Basement and the Anthropology Teaching Laboratories within.

THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Student Senate recognizes the importance of the academic research and teaching provided by the University of Florida Department of Anthropology and are committed to the academic excellence of the University of Florida, as well as the quality of learning for University of Florida students.

Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Department of Anthropology Chair Dr. John Krigbaum, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Dean Kevin Ingersent, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Associate Dean Margaret Fields, and College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Associate Dean Barbara Zsembik.

[1] <https://anthro.ufl.edu/about-us/department-subfields/>

[2] <https://www.queensu.ca/ctl/resources/instructors/instructional-strategies/lab-based-learning>


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