

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

**Has your VSO received funding from the ASSU Undergraduate Senate Appropriations Committee in prior years? If so, how much and when?**

Yes we have received special fees for the last two years

**Have you registered your events/organizations with events.stanford.edu? (note: registration is mandatory) (yes/no)**

Yes

**How large is your officer core?**

Our Officer core comprises 9 people.

**If you applied for Special Fees last year, is there an increase in the amount you're seeking this year? If so, why?**

There is an increase of about 14% in order to host better parties for the increased number of attendees, hire choreographers to improve our dancing so that we in turn can improve our teaching. This will allow us to increase the popularity of Salsa on campus and foster a larger but close-knit community of social dancers and performers. Also, this year we have a slightly larger group, all of whom are committed to the group and come to all of our parties, and practices.

**Please define the services provided by your group with the Special Fee, as per the ASSU Constitution:**

We will not deny any of our services, including parties, performances and workshops to any member of the Association unless that member has obtained a refund of Los Salseros fees.

**Please list all: 1) assets, 2) reserves, 3) authorized and unauthorized non-ASSU bank accounts, 4) sources of funding other than Special**

1. costumes worth \$150
2. 3500.00
3. a 2800 ASSU account
4. \$0

**What events/programs does your group hold throughout the year for the Stanford Community?**

We have parties, workshops in dorms, a workshop series, a Spring Show and appearances in various other shows hosted throughout the year.

**What is the fundamental goal/purpose of your VSO (please limit your response to 50-100 words)?**

The mission and purpose of Salseros is to provide a venue for members of the Stanford Community to engage in the dance form and culture of Salsa. We aim to share our love for dancing and entertain audiences with the sensual and artistic styles commonly found in Salsa throughout the Stanford Community and beyond.

**What percentage of your total membership is undergraduate? Graduate?**

undergrad 70%  
grad 30%

**Have you applied for Special Fees in the past 3 years? If so, please detail the outcome of each attempt.**

We have received special fees the last three years. Accordingly, we have made changes to our budget request

**How do you plan to publicize your events/programs to the greater Stanford community? Have you registered with Events at Stanford?**

We hope to further increase the popularity of Salsa on campus and form a stronger Salsa community by putting up more posters for our events, tabling to attract more students, and by using e-advertising.

**How many members are on your email list?**

About 75 students are on our email list.

**If you are an umbrella group, please list the groups for which you are applying for Special Fees, their ASSU account numbers, and contact information for their financial officers.**

n/a

**Please describe a few past events organized by our VSO (please limit your response to 50-100 words).**

We have held Salsa Dance parties at Elliot Program Center. The events have been open to all students, and advertised accordingly. We have also held dance lessons in Escondido Village dance studio as well as in Elliot program center.

**What are the three largest line item requests in your budget and why?**

Honoraria fees to pay for live bands and dj's for parties as well as choreographers  
reserving space for workshops, parties, and shows

**What is the average attendance at your events?**

Our dorm workshop series attracts about fifty people a week; form workshops vary more in terms of attendance. Our parties attract a 100+ people including undergrads, grads, recent alums, and sometimes staff.

**What is your total membership?**

Our membership averages 20 dancer a year.

**When and why was your VSO established (please limit your response to 50-100 words)?**

Our VSO was established six years ago to encourage students to learn about and pursue interests in Afro-cuban dance. The team slowly evolved to be called Los Salseros de Stanford, as the primary dance style was Salsa.

**Why are you requesting Special Fees?**

Los Salseros is not jsut a performance group. Not only do we add variety to the shows we dance in, but we also hold regular Friday night parties which attract a wide range of students and alumni. We also volunteer with various groups and schools in the area, and provide free salsa lessons and a workshop series. Special fees allows us to carry out these activities regularly and put on quality events at no charge to the students.

**Your budget includes one or more lines funded from your own accounts. Please detail the circumstances necessitating the modification of your previously awarded funds.**

Appropriations Committee.

**BUDGET DETAIL**

	Budgeted	Requested	Recommend	Approved	Petitioned	Elected
<b>Performances</b>	<b>\$(5,950.00)</b>	<b>\$3,550.00</b>	<b>\$3,060.00</b>	<b>\$3,060.00</b>		
We perform many on-campus events, as well as events beyond Stanford, such as in the East Palo Alto, and the SF Salsa Congress						
<b>6310</b> Honoraria Fees (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>professional performer to expose students to the range of salsa dancing in the Bay Area</i>	\$(500.00)	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	
<b>7220</b> Marketing Copies / Print Expenses (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>printing and distributing poster for spring show and biweekly lessons</i>	\$(200.00)	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	
<b>7410</b> Equipment Purchase (Non-Cap) (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>batteries for stereo, blank CD's (50)</i>	\$(50.00)	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	
We only fund 80% of equipment purchases.						
<b>7460</b> Costumes / Uniforms (Modification/Modification)	<i>2 costumes/per person/per year for 20 performers at \$60 each - t-shirts to unify group and be identifiable by the student body</i>	\$(2,400.00)	\$1,047.00	\$837.60	\$837.60	
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<b>7520</b> Facilities Janitorial (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>ABM for Spring Show venue</i>	\$(400.00)	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	
<b>Practices/ regular meetings</b>		<b>\$(900.00)</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>	
snacks, drinks, water for parties. 6 parties/quarter, \$50						
<b>6510</b> Regular Meeting Food (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>snacks, drinks, water for parties. 6 parties/quarter, \$50</i>	\$(900.00)	\$900.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	
<b>Quarterly Outings</b>		<b>\$(60.00)</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>	
Once a quarter trips to local Salsa to expose the team to the variety of styles that exist, promote bonding and inspire dancers to work harder for the Stanford Community.						
<b>7720</b> Gas (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>\$20/quarter</i>	\$(60.00)	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	
<b>Retreats</b>		<b>\$(850.00)</b>	<b>\$850.00</b>	<b>\$850.00</b>	<b>\$850.00</b>	
group bonding, skill building						
<b>6510</b> Regular Meeting Food (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>\$10/person for 20 members per quarter</i>	\$(600.00)	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	
<b>7520</b> Facilities Janitorial (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>ABM for location</i>	\$(250.00)	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	
<b>Salsa Parties</b>		<b>\$(5,000.00)</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	
live bands twice a year(which attract a larger audience and a DJ for smaller audiences)						
<b>6310</b> Honoraria Fees (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>honoraria fees for live bands twice a year (which attract larger audiences and a DJ for smaller parties)</i>	\$(2,100.00)	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	
<b>7420</b> Equipment Rental (Modification/Modification)	<i>Speaker rental from SCN at \$250.00/event for LARGE parties</i>	\$(500.00)	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	
<b>7520</b> Facilities Janitorial (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>ABM quote at 300.00 a month</i>	\$(2,400.00)	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	
<b>Spring Show</b>		<b>\$(1,000.00)</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	
Our spring show						
<b>7510</b> Facilities Rental (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>Kresgee Rental</i>	\$(1,000.00)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
<b>Workshops</b>		<b>\$(1,250.00)</b>	<b>\$1,250.00</b>	<b>\$1,230.00</b>	<b>\$1,230.00</b>	
We provide biweekly lessons for beginners and intermediate dancers to learn salsa and enjoy the art form while engaging in the community.						
<b>7220</b> Marketing Copies / Print Expenses (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>for promoting events across campus (1000 x .07) = 70</i>	\$(70.00)	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	
<b>7410</b> Equipment Purchase (Non-Cap) (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>purchase of microphones due to the increasing turnout of people at the workshops</i>	\$(100.00)	\$100.00	\$80.00	\$80.00	
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<b>APPLICATION TOTALS</b>	<b>\$(15,010.00)</b>	<b>\$12,610.00</b>	<b>\$12,100.00</b>	<b>\$12,100.00</b>		