

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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

No, unless this counts Special Fees that we received last year.

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

yes

How large is your officer core?

8 students

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

No.

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

We publish a quarterly journal that showcases articles about human rights issues written by students with in-depth research and personal experience. We hope to use this journal to create awareness about human rights issues around the globe as well as inspire discussion about their connection to the Stanford Community.

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

1) nothing of significance

2) \$10,000

3) none

4) The Stanford Human Rights forum is an account for human rights related events provided by faculty and departments. We cannot use this for printing, however.

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

We use funds designated by our faculty sponsors under the Stanford Human Rights forum to sponsor documentary film screenings, brown bag discussions about specific human rights issues, and larger speaker events/teach ins. Our issues are also a method of reaching out to the Stanford Community and inspiring dialogue.

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

This publication is committed to providing an arena for sta

What percentage of your total membership is undergraduate? Graduate?

90% undergraduate, 10% graduate.

Why are you requesting Special Fees?

We require funding to cover the costs of printing our journal and making sure that we have enough issues to distribute throughout campus and at events

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

Yes. Last year, we received special fees. The previous year we did not because of a shortage of about five signatures.

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

Yes. We use email lists, fliers, Events at Stanford, and the help of related student groups to publicize events. We often also supplement these by making announcements in related classes.

How many members are on your email list?

approximately 300

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 sponsor weekly documentary screenings at dormitories, we recently had a "meet the authors" release party for our winter issue, and we frequently co-sponsor discussions such as a recent discussion about sex workers at the WCC

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

The only line item requests are printing issues and printing submissions fliers. Both of these will allow us to pursue our primary goals of informing students of human rights issues through the journal and soliciting articles from a diverse population of students.

What is the average attendance at your events?

15+ for informal film screenings and lunchtime discussions, 200+ for high profile speakers and events

What is your total membership?

25 students

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

Our VSO was established in autumn 2003 to support a student publication that increased awareness of human rights issues by showcasing student perspectives from their research and personal involvement in these issues.

BUDGET DETAIL

	Budgeted	Requested	Recommend	Approved	Petitioned	Elected
Printing Six Degrees Issues	\$(13,620.00)	\$13,053.00	\$13,053.00	\$13,053.00		
We print issues featuring student written articles to inform the Stanford Community about current human rights issues.						
7180 Educational Literature (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	2000 issues x \$2/issues x 3 quarters \$(12,990.00)	\$12,990.00	\$12,990.00	\$12,990.00		
7220 Marketing Copies / Print Expenses (Undergraduate Special Fees/Annual)	<i>We print submissions fliers quarterly to solicit submissions from the student body. 300 fliers x .07/flier x 3 quarters (black on colored paper)</i> \$(630.00)	\$63.00	\$63.00	\$63.00		
APPLICATION TOTALS	\$(13,620.00)	\$13,053.00	\$13,053.00	\$13,053.00		