

Report of the Committee on Student Life to University Council
University of Georgia
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The University Council Committee on Student Life has had several “virtual” meetings where we have asked our members, including several student representatives, to suggest concerns to be addressed by our committee. Several issues have been discussed. First, the untenable traffic situation around East Campus where students and cars are battling each other every day. We understand that the University Architects and other groups are studying this situation and hopefully finding solutions. The second area of discussion has been the early start dates for the academic calendar – again a topic that is being addressed by other committees of the University Council. Faculty and students have made the case for a later start date in the fall with special emphasis on the disadvantage they find themselves in with respect to summer internships and jobs. These summer activities are an essential part of their experiential learning. We are supportive of the other Committees and University offices that are studying these issues.

Thus, we have no agenda items for the Executive Committee.

Please let us know if you see ways that our Committee can provide input to Council decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

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