



STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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A Resolution Urging the Office of the President to Take Initiative in Developing an NCAA Sports Program as Part of the CI 2030+ Vision

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Approval Date:

Whereas, California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI) is currently facing a crisis in student enrollment and retention, and the campus lacks a cohesive and unifying driver of student participation, engagement, and institutional pride;

Whereas, the CI 2030+ strategic plan emphasizes campus growth, student engagement, and the enhancement of the university's regional impact and visibility;

Whereas, there is an urgent need for additions to the CSUCI campus that will meaningfully contribute to increased enrollment, improved student retention, and an enriched school atmosphere;

Whereas, the addition of a formal National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) sports program would serve as a transformational asset to the university by creating new avenues for student participation, engagement, and school spirit;

Whereas, numerous students, alumni, and community members have expressed support for the introduction of NCAA athletics as a means of enhancing campus life and cultivating a stronger sense of identity and tradition at CSUCI;

Whereas, the presence of NCAA teams could attract more prospective students, especially those interested in continuing their athletic careers at the collegiate level, while also boosting university pride and visibility throughout Ventura County and the greater region;

Whereas, Ventura County and neighboring areas are home to a wide range of athletic talent across high schools and community colleges that could serve as recruiting grounds for a future CSUCI NCAA program;

Be it therefore resolved, that Student Government of California State University Channel Islands urges the Office of the President to take initiative and begin a feasibility study and long-term planning process for the development of an NCAA sports program on campus as part of the CI 2030+ strategic plan;

Be it further resolved, that the Student Government asserts the importance of this initiative as a necessary addition to CSUCI's campus infrastructure and identity—one that will help drive enrollment growth, strengthen student engagement, and foster a more vibrant and spirited campus atmosphere;

Be it further resolved, that this initiative should involve input and collaboration from Campus Recreation, the Division of Student Affairs, academic leadership, Athletics departments across the CSU system, and the broader student body;

Be it further resolved, that the CSUCI Student Government formally requests the Office of the President to release a public statement by the end of the Fall 2025 semester academic year acknowledging student support and outlining initial steps for this initiative;

Be it finally resolved, that copies of this resolution be delivered to CSUCI President Richard Yao, the Division of Student Affairs, Campus Recreation, and relevant CI 2030+ planning committees.

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