

# Resolution 49: Establishing an Ad-hoc committee for Student Engagement

**Abstract:** Promoting community engagement under the Freedom of Expression Theme Year, this Committee will organize guest speakers to visit campus as individuals or panelists and speak on their topics of expertise. In addition, these speakers will answer student questions and address student interests. This series is intended to encourage campuswide freedom of expression and increase student engagement with their academic community.

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**Type of Action:** Internal Policy

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**Current Status:** New Business

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**Whereas,** the 2023-2024 academic year theme is “Freedom of Expression”, and this ad hoc Committee will bring speakers from outside of the Cornell community to support this theme.

**Whereas** the Committee will run within the purview of the Student Assembly, and each speaker event and every speaker shall be introduced by the chair of the Committee and the Student Assembly President.

**Whereas,** the Cornell University Student Assembly has many resources to promote student engagement with such guest speakers. By utilizing them through this series, student education and community engagement will be increased.

**Whereas,** it is requested that the Committee be allocated \$10,000 from the Student Assembly Reserve Account for hosting speakers, advertising events, and granting free admission for the Cornell community.

**Whereas,** any and all funds unused by the Committee will be transferred and returned to the greater Student Assembly upon the dissolution of the Committee.

**Be it therefore resolved that,** an ad hoc Committee for the organization of a Cornell University Student Assembly speaker series for the Spring 2024 semester is created with a funding allocation of \$10,000 from the Student Assembly Reserve Account.

- 29 **Respectfully Submitted,**  
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