

CONGRESS RESOLUTION NO. 08-11-19

Sponsor(s): IUSA Rules, Membership, and Internal Affairs Committee (Skylar Edwards-Chair)

Co-Sponsor(s):

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RESOLUTION TO REAPPORTION CONGRESSIONAL SEATS

1 **WHEREAS**, Article II, Section 4 of the IUSA Constitution states that “Congress will... apportion seats
2 among defined constituencies by population as given in official University residential and enrollment
3 statistics from the fall semester of each academic year;” and,
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5 **WHEREAS**, “Each constituency defined in this constitution shall be guaranteed at least one voting,
6 representative seat within Congress;” and,
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8 **WHEREAS**, The intent of Article II, Section 4 of the IUSA Constitution is fair and accurate
9 representation of the academic degree-granting units in the Student Body Congress; and,
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11 **WHEREAS**, The School of Business has a population of 5,469; the Graduate School has a population of
12 4,228; and the University Division has a population of 11,332; and are thus heavily underrepresented in
13 the Student Body Congress; and,
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15 **WHEREAS**, The School of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation has a population of 2,298; and
16 the School of Music has a population of 1,596; and are thus heavily overrepresented in the Student Body
17 Congress; and,
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19 **WHEREAS**, The Congressional seat apportioned to Labor Studies Program no longer exists;
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21 **THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED**, That the Student Body Congress apportion academic
22 Representative seats as follows:
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<u>Constituency</u>	<u>Representative Allotment</u>
Business	4
Graduate School	2
HPER	1
School of Music	1
Labor Studies	0
University Division	7

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32 **LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, That this reapportionment shall take effect as of the IUSA
33 Election in Spring 2009, or if those seats become vacant in the regular course of business before the 2009
34 Elections.
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Data in support of Resolution changing Representative allocation

Final Proposal - Remove "Small School" populations, then divide remaining

First, give each school with less than 1000 students one Rep.

Then take remaining Population (36,627) and get each school's % of total

For each 4.35% ($\approx 100\%/23$), give the school 1 Rep

SCHOOL AFFILIATION	Current Allot	2008 Pop.		% of 36,627		New Allot	Change
Business	3	5,469		14.93%	4	4	+1
COAS	6	8,737		23.85%	6	6	
Continuing Studies	1	835	1			1	
Education	1	1,544		4.22%	1	1	
Graduate School	1	4,228		11.54%	2	2	+1
HPER	2	2,298		6.27%	1	1	-1
Informatics	1	494	1			1	
Journalism	1	798	1			1	
Law	1	721	1			1	
Music	2	1,596		4.36%	1	1	-1
Nursing	1	165	1			1	
Optometry	1	318	1			1	
SLIS	1	338	1			1	
Social Work	1	68	1			1	
SPEA	1	1,423		3.89%	1	1	
University Division	6	11,332		30.94%	7	7	+1
Honors	1		1			1	
TOTAL	31	40,364	9		23	32	

2008 Enrollment Data is publicly available at University Reporting and Research,
<http://www.indiana.edu/~urr/enrollment/2008-09/index.shtml>