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ISAB History

➢ ISAB, established in 2014, as a joint initiative between University of Iowa Student Government, Graduate & Professional Student Government, International Programs, and the Division of Student Life.
The International Student Advisory Board (ISAB) seeks to voice international student concerns, to advocate for international student needs and improve international student experience, and to advocate for a more inclusive campus environment for international students.
What We Do

- Sounding Board
- Build Connections
- Advocacy
ISAB As An Advocacy Group
Advocacy on behalf of international students

- Advocated for a staff position within Division of Student Life to focus on the needs of international students (2016 – 2017)

- Created International Constituency Senator seat in Undergraduate Student Government (2017 – 2018)
Advocacy on behalf of international students

➢ Advocated for free international textbooks shipping (2020-2021).

➢ Conducted a survey about international students’ concerns, especially during the Covid-19 pandemic (2020-2021).

➢ Created infographics for departments and colleges about supporting international students in different time zones in the pandemic (2020 - 2021)

➢ Member served as an international student representative on English language testing working group (2020 – 2021)
Advocacy on behalf of international students

➢ Created videos to encourage international students to apply for grants and scholarships (2021 - 2022).
➢ Initiated a winter clothing drive (2021 - 2022).
➢ Advocated for a human rights message (2021 - 2022)
➢ Revised community building with ISAB, connecting with student organizations (2021 – 2022)
➢ Met with a variety of campus partners to talk about issues pertinent to international students (2021 – 2022)
Advocacy on behalf of international students

➢ Wrote petition on emergency housing – shared concerns and needs from international students (2022 - 2023).
➢ Worked with administration and departments to find ways to ease the financial burdens regarding international student fee (2022 - 2023).
➢ Contributed to creating pre-arrival handbook for incoming international students (2022 - 2023)
Under what circumstance can you connect with ISAB?
CONNECTING WITH ISAB?

- If you have pressing needs to be advocated for
- If you have any concerns that needs to be voiced
- If you have any ideas that can improve international students’ experience
- If you have any ideas for a more inclusive campus for international students
HOW TO CONNECT WITH ISAB?

Talk to any of the ISAB members or Lin (ISAB Advisor)

Email: isab-ui@uiowa.edu

Social media:

Facebook: University of Iowa International Student Advisory Board

Instagram: isab_uiowa
Thank you for your attention!