



Student Association Senate

Committee Charter/Purpose:

The Senate governs in the best interest of the students; directs student organizations within the University and represents the students before the citizens of South Dakota. The Student Association's power is subject to the laws of South Dakota and the rules established by the South Dakota State Board of Regents. The Student Association of the South Dakota Mines is an organization of all registered students who have paid activity fees. Through its officers and committees, it is involved in all student activities.

Committee Structure/Composition and Term:

Positions in the Student Association Senate are by election and by appointment. There are five elected officers from each class (Freshman through senior), four appointed representatives (Veteran, Graduate, International, and Non-Traditional Student), and an elected Vice-President and President. All appointments are made by the Student Association President and confirmed by the Student Senate. Terms of office are for one year. When there is a mid-term vacancy, positions are filled as needed through appointment. Each senator is appointed to one of the five standing committees: Constitution, Public Relations, Governmental Relations, Student Affairs, and Finance.

Committee Meeting Schedule:

The Senate shall meet weekly and are open to all students, faculty, and staff.

Committee Membership:

- President
 - Connor Clausen
- Vice President
 - Aden Syverson
- Chief Financial Officer
 - Jonathon Schock
- Secretary
 - Amelia Schaeftbauer
- Student Affairs Chair
 - Karsen Berndt
- Governmental Relations Chair
 - Alfredo Salcido Santos
- Public Relations Chair
 - Parker Smith
- Constitution Chair
 - Hagan Archer



**SOUTH
DAKOTA
MINES**

Student Association Senate, cont.

- Senior Senators
 - Nathan Sattler
 - Adam Aselson
 - Parker Smith
 - Ray Brunken
 - Joseph Rechtenbaugh
- Junior Senators
 - Karsen Berndt
 - Luke Seuntjens
 - Sean Fleming
 - Linden Kalb
 - Carter Gotschall
- Sophomore Senators
 - Alfredo Salcido Santos
 - Kaylie White
 - Louis Rancour
 - Samuel Grisak
 - Victor Hanson
- Freshman Senators
 - Edison Coles
 - Erick Schwarzrock
 - Tristan Didrickson
 - Monica Whitman
 - Roland L'Heureux
- Graduate Student Senator
 - Hagan Archer
- International Student Senator
 - Stella Glover-Simmons
- Non-Traditional Student Senator
 - Samuel Yeager
- Armed Services Senator
 - Rylan Greene
- Athletic Senator
 - Augustus Fink



**SOUTH
DAKOTA
MINES**

LAST UPDATED: September 2026

REFERENCE:

[Advancing the frontier of innovation](#)