Resolution of NYU’s Student Senators Council
SSC Supports Creation of Financial Aid Program for International Students Affected By Unforeseen Economic Circumstances

WHEREAS, international students and students with families residing outside of the United States make up more than 20 percent of the New York University student population;

WHEREAS, a number of issues such as exchange rate risk, economic turmoil, and country-specific civil conflict or war are unique to international students and can significantly harm their ability to afford tuition and live comfortably while attending New York University;

WHEREAS, New York University appreciates the role of international students in maintaining its commitment to a globally-focused education and multicultural environment;

WHEREAS, the Student Senators Council of New York University has worked to find tangible ways to ensure the affordability of New York University and is determined to represent the interests of students;

BE IT RESOLVED, The Student Senators Council recommends the adoption of the following policy at all relevant offices:

“If International Students do not have financial need in their first year of attending a degree-granting program at NYU, but demonstrate financial need in any future year, the student will be able to submit an application for financial aid to be evaluated by the Office of Financial Aid based on their current need”;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the Student Senators Council urges the University President, Executive Vice President for Finance, the Financial Affairs committee of the University Senate, the Office of Global Services, and other relevant offices to create a program, such as but not limited to grants, scholarships, or options contracts, for international students who are financially affected by unforeseen circumstances and, due to such circumstances, are unable to continue paying tuition and other costs needed to attend New York University.

As Proposed by Senator Mba-Kalu
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