

Get to know the major Cabinet members of the executive branch



J.J. RAYNOR

- ▶ Student Body President
- ▶ Serves as the official student representative on several boards and committees with dozens of administrators
- ▶ Deals with tuition talks with the Board of Trustees



TODD DALRYMPLE

- ▶ Student Body Vice President
- ▶ Serves as the second in command
- ▶ Heads student advisory committee to the chancellor, which is a group that voices student concerns directly to the chancellor



ANDREW DAUB

- ▶ Student Body Secretary
- ▶ Responsible for updating the Student Code and publishing the October and March reports
- ▶ Takes notes on main Cabinet meetings



PEDRO CARRENO

- ▶ Student Body Treasurer
- ▶ Prepares a financial statement to be presented every month to Student Congress
- ▶ Disperses all money appropriated by Congress to student groups



CAMERON RANDALL

- ▶ Chief of Staff
- ▶ Responsible for overseeing all executive committees
- ▶ Helps keep the student body president informed of major projects in the works



KATIE SUE ZELLNER

- ▶ Senior Adviser
- ▶ Generally responsible for offering advice to the student body president
- ▶ Can perform research on personal projects and offer perspective on platform planks

Student government plays key role on campus

Three branches entirely student-run

BY DAVID GILMORE
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For many, student government is just another room in the Student Union.

But the organization is responsible for a multitude of activities, including but not limited to assisting in tuition deliberations, funding other student organizations, representing students at Board of Trustees meetings, trying students for Honor Code violations and planning events such as Fall Fest.

One of the most distinguishing features of student government at UNC is that it is entirely student run. Elections occur in February, and winners are inaugurated in April.

Student government is divided into three branches: the legislative, the executive and the judicial. Each branch acts independently of each other, but they all rely on mutual cooperation to achieve common goals.

Student Congress

Congress, the supreme legisla-

tive body, is in charge of overseeing student fees and working with election laws.

One of Congress' most important duties is distributing close to \$500,000 in student fees to different student groups around campus.

"Student Congress is the voice of the students," Speaker Tim Nichols said. "We have direct constituents — we try to work toward their issues."

Congress' 41 representatives are chosen from 10 different districts around and off campus. Each representative must belong to one of three standing committees and might be involved in other non-permanent committees.

Executive branch

The executive branch, perhaps the most visible of the student government branches on campus, is headed by Student Body President J.J. Raynor.

In addition to the president, the executive branch consists of the

vice president, treasurer, secretary, senior adviser and chief of staff. It also includes the Graduate and Professional Student Federation president. Other members of the branch include a large Cabinet and numerous committee members.

As president, Raynor is in charge of signing legislation passed by Congress into law. In addition, Raynor and her administration will strive to accomplish the goals set in her platform when she was elected.

Among the administration's goals this year are a Carolina "Wiki," a Wikipedia-like Web site for UNC students, a UNC "Pick-a-Prof" system and the creation of a student ombuds office.

Judicial branch

The judicial branch of student government consists of the attorney general's office, the Honor Court and the Honor System Outreach. Aside from the four service academies, UNC is the only university to offer a fully student-run judicial system.

The main purpose of the Honor Court is to take care of Honor Code violations, which range from cheating on an exam to getting a DUI.

If there is enough evidence against a student, the attorney general will charge him or her with an Honor Code violation, and the case will be presented at Honor Court.

Actions that can be taken against students convicted of Honor Code violations can range from attending a mandatory five-week class on the Honor Code to suspension and expulsion from the University.

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