

STUDENT CONGRESS SPECIAL ELECTIONS

Editor's note: The following are brief profiles of the official candidates running in the Student Congress special election Tuesday.
All candidates who did not turn in their petition to the Elections Board on time are considered write-in candidates and are not featured.

Compiled by Jennifer Talhelm

Dist. 2

Jennifer Grady said that as a member of Student Congress, she would raise awareness of graduate issues such as acquiring health insurance and better pay for graduate students.



Jennifer Grady

"There's a need for graduate voices," she said. "We need as many voices as we can get."

She also said she would like to see congress support organizations and publications that added diversity to the University. "I'd like to see congress follow through on funding and support for organizations and publications that add richness to this campus."

Grady, a second-year graduate student in information and library science, said she would be a good candidate for the job because she had contact with people from all the departments in her district as well as with undergraduate students through her work at the Undergraduate Library.

Dist. 5

Marc Fusco said he wanted to represent the graduate students in humanities on Student Congress because he said humanities often took a "back seat" to physical science at UNC.

HOW TO VOTE

At the Pit on Tuesday, Sept. 22, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. rain site: Carolina Union lobby

Students must live in district they are voting for and must show current student ID and registration card. Results will be in Wednesday's DTH and will be posted outside the Elections Board Office in Suite A Tuesday night. If runoff elections are required, they will be held Sept. 29.

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He said he wanted to make sure graduate students were fairly represented on congress because the congress often focused too heavily on undergraduates. "I'm going to fight these guys — by myself some of the time, but we need to at least put the idea into these guys' heads that they don't represent all the students," he said.



Marc Fusco

Fusco, a second-year doctoral student in English, also said he wanted to fight to continue to fund groups such as the black cultural center and Bisexuals, Gay Men, Lesbians and Allies for Diversity.

He said he wanted to work to maintain the quality of the library.

Dist. 11

Rich Esposito said he wanted to make sure graduate students were properly represented on Student Congress.



Rich Esposito

A second-year graduate student in the Kenan-Flagler School of Business, Esposito said he thought graduate students were unfairly represented by one part of the Graduate School.

"Currently, there is a disproportionate share of representatives from one graduate school representing all graduate and professional students," he said. "The congress needs balance."

Esposito also said he planned to look into getting health care for graduate students. He said he wanted to improve the library and supported the Student Congress proposal that called for students to choose to set aside money from student fees for the library.

Timothy Rohr did not contact the Daily Tar Heel for an interview

Wayne Wilson did not contact the DTH for an interview

Jonathan Jordan did not contact the DTH for an interview

Dist. 15

Garrick Skalski said he would focus on trying to educate his constituents about congress' actions so he could adequately represent their interests.



Garrick Skalski

"I want to try to get as much student input as possible by getting issues to the students before they come

Lee from page 1
Khalid X, who also spoke out against homosexuals, said he was speaking only to the blacks in the crowd. "I came to talk to my people," he said to the whites in the crowd. "You just happen to be here."
After the rally, Smith said Khalid X spoke for members of the movement. "He speaks the truth," Smith said. "He speaks for us, too."
But other coalition leaders said they were disturbed by the comments of Khalid X. "I had a lot of problems with what he said," Wilkins said. "But you just have to take away from it what you want."
In addition to Khalid X, members of the Fruit of Islam, an arm of Louis Farrakan's Nation of Islam movement, were hired as security for the event, said BSM Minister of Information Charles McNair.
McNair also distanced the movement from Khalid X's comments, calling them "inflammatory."
Jennifer Talhelm contributed to this story.

before congress for vote as opposed to reading them after the fact," he said. "I want students to know what goes on in congress — a lot of people I talked to didn't even know what congress does."
Skalski, a sophomore from Asheville, said he would work on improving the lighting around the practice walls for the tennis courts near Cobb Residence Hall as well as improving lighting around campus and providing more emergency call boxes.

He also said he supported the black cultural center and continued funding for B-GLAD.

Dist. 20

Kelly Karras said she would like to work on a number of projects including safety, improving the Caroline registration system and updating the Student Government Code.



Kelly Karras

Karras, a junior from Raleigh who previously held office in another district, said she wanted to continue the projects she was working on during her term last year.

"I don't have to relearn things (in congress)," she said. "I have experience and know a lot of people in student government."

One of the suggestions she posed was adding a toll-free phone line to Caroline for out-of-state students.

Karras also said she wanted to work for improved campus lighting.

Bret Batdorff said one of his main interests was improving safety on campus and in the community.



Bret Batdorff

Batdorff, a junior transfer from Appalachian State University, said he wanted to organize a Student Government Safety Walk, in which students, administrators and security officers would tour the campus at night looking for danger areas. He said the walk might kick off a Campus Safety Week.

Batdorff said he would add new ideas to the congress.

"I see myself as an agent of change in a congress that definitely needs new blood," he said.

Batdorff said he planned to keep his constituents notified of his actions in congress. "I want people in District 20

Crowd

Although I understand much of what he was saying, it just seemed to me that he was preaching hate. He was homophobic, and he was sexist, and he was preaching hate."

Patsy Fischer, faculty member, School of Public Health, on Minister Khalid Muhammad X of the Nation of Islam

"We have a cultural center at State. I don't think it's to separate anybody. It's to bring everybody together."
Steven Alexander, N.C. State student

"I think Chancellor Hardin should be standing in this line tonight. If he was not frightened by the crowd that visited his office, he should be frightened by this."
Tracy Cameron, UNC junior from Middlesex

"I got here today. I don't really know what's going on, but I'm here to find out."
Alicia Hylton, Shaw University student

"I'm here because I really want to see (Lee)."
Lewis Miller, Durham resident

"I'm here because I know Spike's a great filmmaker. Also, because I want to be part of it. Basically, because I'm a Brit, and I'm not used to that sort of thing."
Lucy Sweetman, resident of Manchester, England

"I'm in support of education concerning black issues; however, I was offended by certain speakers."

to know how to contact me in order to make it a more legitimately representative body," he said.

Dist. 24

Glenn Gerding said safety would be one of his main concerns as a member of Student Congress.



Glenn Gerding

Gerding said he wanted congress to expand the budget for the SAFE Escort program or fund a new program so it would be available for everyone. He also said he wanted to work on finding a way for off-campus students to park on campus.

He said he wanted to work on controlling student fees.

"I want to work on streamlining the budget — especially with everybody complaining about the increase in tuition," he said. "I don't know that we need to keep increasing student fees. I realize there are a number of special interest groups vying for money, but we'll all have to carry the burden and work together to take the cuts."

Derek Shadid said he thought Student Congress should take an active role to promote cultural awareness on campus.



Derek Shadid

"My main reason for running is (that) I believe education on our campus is a lot more than academics," Shadid said. "I believe in trying to understand the difference between cultures."

Shadid, a sophomore from Oklahoma City, Okla., said he wanted to make sure groups that came to congress for funding had the opportunity to be approved.

"I felt that last year congress had a bit of a setback because of the far right-wing faction," he said. "Since I want to promote tolerance on campus through organization and ideas, I want to make sure organizations on campus have a voice that will definitely speak for them. It's easier for the rest of the campus to get involved when congress backs (the groups)."

Matt Fisher said that as a member of congress he would work to improve safety on the fringes of campus where many of his constituents lived.

"There are a lot of people who walk (to campus and back), and there are

Amy Webb, Duke University student

"(Khalid X) said a lot of things that needed to be said. It was very straightforward and needed to be said. He was a dynamic speaker, and he was basically reading my mind. He was not trying to sugar anything down."
Tanisha Barnes, UNC junior from Wilson

"I think the main goal was unity. For so long, the black community was split. Finally we are unified."
Marchell Adams, UNC graduate student from Rockingham

"The aura was unity, blacks were here and standing up for the same causes. It was beautiful."
Chandra McLean, UNC senior from Little Rock, S.C., and editor of the Black Ink

"I felt it was racist."
Felicia Walker, St. Augustine College graduate from Raleigh

"I wanted to come and show my support for a free-standing BCC; it's something we need. Also, I am a big fan of Spike Lee."
Franklin Harkins, UNC freshman from Elton

"This is a chance to be part of history in the making."
Samantha Evafred, UNC senior from Durham

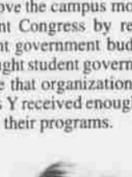
Steve Robblee, Holly Stepp, Justin Scheef, James Lewis, Ivan Arrington and Thanassis Cambanis contributed to this story.

specific areas on that part of Columbia Street that are unsafe," he said. "That's a very dangerous part of town. A lot of these incidents are happening on the edge of campus."
Fisher, a junior from Nashville, Tenn., also said he would like to improve the campus morale toward Student Congress by reworking the student government budget. He said he thought student government should ensure that organizations such as the Campus Y received enough money to carry out their programs.



Matt Fisher

Berry Carpenter, a resident of Sunstone Apartments, said he would make sure Sunstone residents' concerns were heard if he were elected to congress.



Berry Carpenter

Carpenter said the other two apartment complexes in his district often overshadowed Sunstone because they were more popular with students.

He said he would try to have apartment meetings so he could hear the interests of his constituents. "I don't know how feasible that is, but it sounds like a really good idea to try to get some organization," he said.

A junior transfer from N.C. State, Carpenter said he had attended the last two congress meetings and supported increasing student fees because he said there was enough opposition in congress to make sure the fees wouldn't

Dillon also said she would like to improve campus safety, especially for students who live off campus.

She suggested making parking easier for off-campus residents who must drive on campus to go to the library at night. She said a solution might be to have a library shuttle that would take students directly to their apartments.

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All candidates, including write-ins, must turn in their financial statement to the Elections Board office by 5 p.m. Wednesday to be confirmed winners and to avoid disqualification.

rise out of control.
Carpenter also said he supported the proposal congress passed that gave congress' support to the coalition fighting for a free-standing BCC.

Ray Vaughters did not contact the DTH for an interview

Patrick Wooten did not contact the DTH for an interview

Dist. 25

Jennifer Dillon said that as a congress member, she would focus on keeping student fees as low as possible as well as increasing security on campus.



Jennifer Dillon

"I want to do my part to see where student fees are going and that we have our say-so in where fees will be allocated," she said.

Dillon also said she would like to improve campus safety, especially for students who live off campus.

VACANT STUDENT CONGRESS SEATS

DISTRICT 2	School of Education, School of Social Work, Library Science
DISTRICT 5	Comparative Literature, English, Folklore, German, Linguistics, Romance Languages, Slavic Languages, Speech Communication
DISTRICT 11	At large Graduate/Professional District
DISTRICT 15	Cobb, Stacy, Graham
DISTRICT 20	Northeast District (North of Weaver Dairy Road, East of Airport Road [NC 86-N] and North of Chapel Hill Durham Boulevard US 15-501)
DISTRICT 24	Central District (North of NC Hwy. 54 Bypass, East of Jones Ferry Road, South of Estes Drive Extension, West of Airport Road [NC 86-N], South of East Franklin Street, West of US-15-501)
DISTRICT 25	South Central District (South of Culbreth Road, East of Damascus Church Road, West of Mt. Carmel Church Road and East of Meacham Road)
DISTRICT 26	Southeast District (South of Raleigh Road/NC Hwy. 54, East of Mt. Carmel Church Road, Southeast of Fordham Boulevard)

Flood

lowed people in here and everyone in the building had keys. I could see from outside that my room was open for over an hour and a half."
McArthur said that when residents asked firemen if they could go up to secure their rooms, they replied that police were securing the area. "When they let us back into the building, they let everybody else back in first, and when we got up here, everybody from the dorm was up here looking around, and the doors were unlocked," she said.
Mike McGowan, a freshman from Boone and a fourth-floor Carmichael resident said, "We had two inches of standing water in our room. We had to get the water out of the carpet ourselves."

After firefighters stopped the water, UNC Physical Plant workers entered the building, checked the electrical system and replaced the sprinkler head. Some residents on the fourth floor were left without power until later Friday.

Watts said some residents who did not have power chose to stay with friends elsewhere on campus.

Fourth-floor Carmichael resident Rick Bagby, a sophomore from Lexington, said the smell left from the incident was worse than the problems caused by the water. "It's really gotten to be worse now because of the smell still in there," he said Saturday. "The water was a big problem the other night, but the smell is really lingering on."

The smell caused by the damp carpet has raised quite a stink among residents. One resident compared the odor to that of a "wet dog."

Campus Calendar

- MONDAY**
5 p.m. suati mpya, the SHS Black Cultural Center's new literary magazine, will hold its African-American Fine Arts Competition in the BCC.
- 6 p.m. Lutheran Campus Ministry, located one block north of the planetarium, will answer the question, "What is Peer Ministry?" A light meal will be provided.
- 7 p.m. Tar Heel Recycling Program will meet in 425 Hamilton.
- Rape Action Project will sponsor a rape awareness presentation in 210 Union as part of Rape Awareness Week.
- 7:30 p.m. UNC Ballroom Dance Club will meet in 26 Woolen to learn the Two Step and West Coast Swing.
- UNC Young Republicans will welcome Joe Deon, candidate for state attorney general, in 211 Union.
- ITEMS OF INTEREST**
Student Health Service is forming a Diabetes Support Group for UNC students. Information: 966-5662.
- University Career Services will have sign-ups for interviews in 211 Hanes one week prior to the school's visit for the following: NYU (School of Public Services) 9/23; Northwestern (Journalism) 9/25; Boston U. (Law) 10/28; U of Miami (Law) 10/30. Foreign Service Officer Program applications are available at 211 Hanes. The deadline for submitting an application is Oct. 2.
- University Counseling Center: GROUP offerings, Fall '92: Assertion, Personal Support Group, Stress Management, Brothers, Dissertation Support Group, Black Graduate Women's Support Group. Information: Nash Hall 962-2175.
- Vote Registration will be available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Oct. 2 in the Pit.
- UPCOMING**
Hunger and Homelessness Outreach Project (HOPE) will have its first meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Campus Y Lounge.
- The Feminist Alliance will have a potluck dinner meeting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in 220 Union. The agenda for the year will be established.
- The Senior Class Service Committee will have a meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday in 213 Union.
- Carolina Comic Book Club will hold its first meeting of the semester at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Union Auditorium.
- UNC Snow Ski Club will have an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in 109 Fetzer.

LSAT
October 3, 1992
December 5, 1992
February, 13, 1993
June 14, 1993

GMAT
October 17, 1992
January 16, 1993
March 20, 1993
June 19, 1993

GRE
October 10, 1992
December 12, 1992
February 6, 1993
April 17, 1993
June 5, 1993

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