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**University of Central Florida  
Fifty-Sixth Student Body Senate  
Resolution 56-01**

[Resolution Advocating for the funding of Pre-Health Pre-Law Advising]

**WHEREAS**, Senate Rule 2.04(G)(1) states the Student Body Advocacy (SBA) Committee shall pass measures advocating on behalf of the student body regarding student, and university affairs;  
**WHEREAS**, Article 2.05(C) of the Student Body Constitution states that the Student Body Senate shall express the will and sentiments of the Student Body Senate through legislation;  
**WHEREAS**, Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising services are needed to ensure the success of UCF students;  
**WHEREAS**, Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising serves students interested in the areas of Pre-Med, Pre-Physician Assistant, Pre-Vet, Pre-Occupational Therapy, Pre-Podiatry, Pre-Public Health, Pre-Dental, Pre-Physical Therapy, Pre-Pharmacy, Pre-Optometry, Pre-Chiropractic, Pre-Law;  
**WHEREAS**, Many of the Pre-Health programs at the University of Central Florida are ranked internationally;  
**WHEREAS**, Applying to law school and med school requires much guidance;  
**WHEREAS**, There are currently no events being hosted by Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising according to their website;  
**WHEREAS**, Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising no longer offers Letters Packet as of summer 2023;  
**WHEREAS**, Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising has closed their review/editing service of personal statements;  
**WHEREAS**, Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising has not hosted any workshops since the conclusion of the spring 2023 semester;  
**WHEREAS**, Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising has not hosted any practice tests since the conclusion of the spring 2023 semester;  
**WHEREAS**, Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising has not hosted any recruiting visits from professional schools since the conclusion of the spring 2023 semester;  
**WHEREAS**, Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising has no information regarding mock interviews for spring 2024;  
**WHEREAS**, The Political Science program at the University of Central Florida is currently nationally ranked at 142;  
**WHEREAS**, In spring of 2024 594 students are majoring in Legal Studies;  
**WHEREAS**, In spring of 2024 1,098 students are majoring in Criminal Justice;  
**WHEREAS**, Any student could be interested in the legal profession;  
**WHEREAS**, As of spring 2024 8,679 students attending the UCF are studying and area with a strategic emphasis on health;  
**WHEREAS**, In fall of 2023 607 undergraduate students were awarded a degree in an area of strategic emphasis on health;  
**WHEREAS**, Recently Pre-Health Pre-Law advising has been moved under Academic Advancement Programs (AAP);  
**WHEREAS**, The Pre-Health and Pre-Law Advising office only meet via virtual Drop-In advising; and  
**WHEREAS**, The shift has created limited accessibility to these needed services.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That it is the opinion of the Fifty-Sixth Student Senate of the University of Central Florida that the purpose of this legislation is to advocate for the continuation, evolvement, and expansion of Pre-Health Pre-Law Advising to better support and serve UCF students looking to further their career in the legal and/or healthcare field; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Senior Vice President for Student Success Dr. Dosal, Senior Associate Dean Dupis, Director of PHPL Advising Dr. Myszkowski, Assistant Vice President Gumble, Director Helton, Senior Director for Academic Advocacy Dr. Noboa, Director O'Connell, and Director Piety

**AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES**

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Senate President

06/17/2024  
Date

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Senate President Pro Tempore

06/26/2024  
Date