



Associated Students of Western Washington University
University Housing Representation and Advocacy Committee Charge &
Charter
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I. CHARGE

The University Housing Representation and Advocacy Committee works with residents and Resident advisors across the WWU campus and maintains the mission of the organization by:

- Being a voice for all students that operate within University Residences.
- As a support and resource group for residents and resident advisors.
- To encourage collaboration, networking and problem solving for internal and external matters.
- Providing guidance for residents and resident advisors.
- Promoting Diversity in all its forms within University Residences.
- Fostering a culture of collaboration between the Associated Students, Residents and Resident Advisors.
- Providing a forum where residents and resident advisors are able to voice their grievances and advocate for one another.
- Providing Residents and Resident advisors with avenues for effective programming, resource mobilization and activism.

II. MEMBERSHIP

Vice President for Student Life – Chair
Designated Vice Chair will serve as chair in the absence of the VP for student life
3 Students Residents at-large, appointed by AS Board of Directors
4 Resident Advisors, appointed by the AS Board of Directors
1 Representative from the Queer Resource Center
1 Representative or designee from the Disability Outreach Center
1 student/employee or designee from the Ethnic Student Center
1 representative from the Legal Information Center
1 representative or designee from RHA (Non-Voting)
Secretary (non-voting)
Director of Student Activities, Advisory (non-voting)

III. CHAIR

The Chairperson shall be the *Vice President for Student Life*. The Chairperson shall convene the meetings, approve agendas, and preside at all meetings. The Vice-Chairperson shall be selected at the discretion of the committee and acts in the absence of the Chairperson.

IV. MEETINGS

Meetings shall be called by the Chair. The committee shall meet at least once a month with a minimum of twenty four (24) hours notice. Meetings may also be called by any member with support of at least twenty-five (25%) of the seated, voting membership.

V. VOTING

In order for a motion to pass, it must obtain a majority of the legal votes cast. An abstention shall not count as a legal vote cast.

VI. QUORUM

A majority of the voting membership shall constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present, the Chair will adjourn the meeting and reschedule to a new day and hour.

VII. SUBCOMMITTEES

In order to provide for coordination and direction, the committee may establish subcommittees as necessary. Unless otherwise noted, these groups shall follow the provisions of the committee with respect to procedure.

**VIII. RULES
OF OPERATION**

The committee may adopt and amend rules of operation governing its operation by a majority vote of the committee, subject to review or approval by the AS Board of Directors.

IX. AMENDMENTS

This Charter may be amended by a majority vote of the AS Board of Directors.

X. REPORTAGE

This committee shall report to the AS Board of Directors through the VP for Student Life.