

# Student Governance and Communication

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## Resident's Housing Association

Residents of each hall floor or living area elect a president, vice president and secretary during the first month of fall classes. The presidents of each floor/area form the Resident's Housing Association (RHA). They work with the RAs to plan floor meetings and activities, promote cohesiveness, and establish an environment that is conducive to studying. RHA provides feedback to Mount Mercy and the Residence Life program. In addition, RHA plans events for campus residential students.

## Student Government Association

The Student Government Association (SGA) represents the Mount Mercy student body and serves as the umbrella organization for other campus recognized student organizations. It is the official voice of the student in Mount Mercy governance. Membership is open to all Mount Mercy undergraduate students, and SGA members serve on institution-wide committees and provide students' viewpoints to faculty and staff. Officers are eager to hear from all students and to assist them in every way possible. The SGA office is located in the University Center and can be reached at ext. 1820.

Recognized student clubs and organizations are overseen by the SGA. For Mount Mercy policies pertaining to them, go to the SGA website at [www.mtmercy.edu/student-government-association](http://www.mtmercy.edu/student-government-association), or pick up a copy of the Clubs & Organizations Handbook available at the University Center Information Desk.

## Student Newspaper

The Mount Mercy Times is a key source of information about campus events and issues. A student staff is responsible for writing, editing, advertising, and business management of the weekly newspaper, published most Wednesdays during Spring and Fall semesters, and once during Winter term. The Times office is located in the Lower Busse Center. If you have ideas for a Times article, you can email the editor at [mmctimes@mtmercy.edu](mailto:mmctimes@mtmercy.edu). In addition to the newspaper, the Times produces a website – <http://times.mtmercy.edu/> – with “Times TV” news reports, photo galleries and other exclusive content.