

The **Student Organized Voter Access Committee (SOVAC)** is a non-partisan committee under the Office of External Affairs of the Associated Students (A.S.), UC San Diego's undergraduate student government.

Our committee seeks to increase voter registration rates within the UCSD community, facilitate a positive discussion about voting, and encourage student voter turnout. SOVAC performs these services by being the primary representative for voter registration on the UCSD campus, holding informational workshops and speaker series, executing a non-partisan advertising campaign, and collaboration with a wide variety of student groups and external organizations.

We also collaborate with the UC Student Association (UCSA) and help fulfill the goals of their UCweVOTE standing campaign. (<http://ucsa.org/category/standing-campaigns/ucwevote/>).

For the duration of the 2018-2019 academic year our goals will be as follows:

- Continue to work with the campus administration to conduct voter registration drives during the move-in process, in on-campus housing, & in the university library. We will work to establish Memorandums of Understanding regarding the opportunities and collaborations with each of the responsible areas that will solidify arrangements for the next 3 years (carrying through the 2020 election).
- We also collaborate with various student political groups in order to increase student voter engagement through debates, civic dialogues, & voter registration drives.
- We will support the University of California Office of the President and UC San Diego Registrars office in advancing an initiative to have a pop-up link to the Secretary of States voter registration webpage from the class registration page for UC San Diego students, with a goal of having this feature ready for Fall 2020 class registration.
- We will work with the San Diego County Registrar of Voters to host a mail ballot drop off location on the UC San Diego campus prior to Election Day. And develop an extensive Marketing and Social Media strategy to ensure mail ballot voters are aware.
- We will call together a committee of supportive campus partners (Students, Faculty, & Staff) to ensure that we have a complete inventory of efforts made on campus. Also, this committee will allow expanded reach on the University for messages and collaboration. This committee will meet, at minimum, quarterly.
- We will organize a meeting of Voter Registration/Engagement contacts from San Diego area Higher Education institutions to share best practices and opportunities.
- We will make an effort to register all eligible on campus residents during the 2019-2020 academic year.
- We will increase our on campus voter turn-out, as measured by the NSLVE report, by at least 25%.

- We will work with the San Diego County Registrar of Voters to inventory out of date voter registrations for previous on-campus residents. Additionally, we will make an efforts to contact those with out of date registration and offer them the opportunity to register accurately.
- We will develop an FAQ for Voter Registration which will be displayed on the Associated Students-SOVAC Website.