

# ASUN prepares to accomplish goals next semester

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The Association of Students of the University of Nebraska will use next semester to take care of current projects and complete its platform goals, said President Shawntell Hurtgen. Some issues from this semester may carry over, Hurtgen said, such as the proposed amendments to the Student Code of Conduct and the Admissions and Advising Committee's upcoming vote on three ASUN proposals. The Academic Senate recently passed two of the four amendments proposed by the

Women's Faculty Caucus to stiffen penalties for students who commit violent crimes. ASUN unanimously passed a senate bill opposing the proposed changes. The student senate felt the proposed changes unfairly discriminate against athletes and "lime-light" students. The changes would punish students before they were proven guilty, senators said. Hurtgen said ASUN would wait until after break to let the issue "cool down." However, its involvement in it is not over. Hurtgen said the senate will continue to work for improved advising. She has submitted three

proposals to the Admissions and Advising Committee for consideration, in addition to a list of 20 other advising concerns collected from students and organizations. The three proposals include documentation of advising by faculty, making more education or up-to-date literature available to faculty and making withdrawal/drop forms universal and simple throughout all the colleges. The Admission and Advising Committee will vote on the proposals at its Dec. 13 meeting. Hurtgen said the decision was a likely topic for next semester's first ASUN meeting Jan. 10. ASUN also will work toward accomplish-

ing the Impact Party's platform goals. "For me, the first meeting of the second semester will be a refocusing of the past issues and providing of fresh ideas," Hurtgen said. "Currently, senators have each been assigned items off a list and their progress will be updated at the meeting." In looking ahead to the new semester, Hurtgen said she is pleased with what ASUN has accomplished, but it is not done working. "If there's anything I've learned as president, it's that nothing happens overnight. The key to getting things done is be persistent, and that's what ASUN must be this next semester."

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