

## UW-Green Bay Students Organize to Protest UW Budget Cuts

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**GREEN BAY** – University of Wisconsin-Green Bay students have organized a letter-writing campaign and rally in opposition to the proposed 2015-2017 biennial state budget.

The group, called UW Students Against Education Cuts (UWSAEC), wants the current state funding to the UW System sustained, wants to preserve shared governance and the Wisconsin Idea in state law (36.09(5) and 36.01(2) respectively) and wants specific details about public authority laid out.

“We want more student representation in policy decisions and are organizing to advocate for exactly that,” said Paul Ahrens, Director for UWSAEC.

The group has organized a campus-wide letter-writing campaign to encourage students and other members of the community to contact their legislators. The group also plans on having a rally on March 4th at 4pm outside of the University Union at UWGB to advocate in favor of sustaining the current public funding for higher education and not reducing its budget.

“We believe that well-funded public institutions are a cornerstone of democracy. These budget cuts will cripple the UW System, and the public authority, if left unchecked, could unravel the fabric that created one of the nation’s best university systems,” said Ahrens.

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About: UW Students Against Education Cuts is a group of concerned citizens and students who believe that our voice is not being represented in policy decisions.

Events:

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Feb. 23-27 – letter-writing campaign across UWGB campus

Mar. 4 – Rally at UWGB – 4 pm – outside University Union at UWGB