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## **ABOR Welcomes Newly Appointed Student Regent**

(Phoenix, Ariz.) – The Arizona Board of Regents welcomes Anthony Rusk, an undergraduate student at the University of Arizona, to the board as the new student regent. Gov. Ducey announced Rusk’s [appointment today](#) and it is pending approval by the Arizona State Senate.

Rusk, a sophomore at the University of Arizona, will begin serving a two-year term on July 1, 2019, when Regent Aundrea DeGravina concludes her term as a student regent.

“On behalf of the board, I welcome Anthony and look forward to the fresh perspectives he will bring to board discussions,” said ABOR Chair Ron Shoopman. “The unique viewpoints of our student regents, from their personal experiences to the input they receive from their peers, is essential to our work.”

Rusk is earning a dual major at the UA in neuroscience, and philosophy, politics, economics and law – referred to as PPEL. He is also pursuing a minor in biochemistry. He has an accomplished record of service at the university, including as policy director for the Associated Students of the University of Arizona and Freshmen Class Council president. While serving as Interact assistant district governor, he created a statewide food drive and is currently the philanthropy chair of the UA Sophos Sophomore Honorary. He has served on the UA Faculty Governance Undergraduate Council and was awarded a Flinn Scholarship in 2017.

Rusk’s first year on the board will be as a non-voting member. The governor appoints eight people in staggered eight-year terms to the board as well as two student regents who serve staggered two-year terms with the first year as a non-voting member. Entering her second year of her term, Regent Lauren L’Ecuyer becomes the voting student regent.

“The appointment of our newest regent continues a time-honored tradition of students serving on the board for more than 40 years,” Regent DeGravina said. “I extend my sincere appreciation to Gov. Ducey for the exceptional opportunity I have had to participate in the governance of Arizona’s public universities.”

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