

## Community Affairs Project Group

Thursday, September 4th

## Student Legal Services Survey

The following questions will appear on the <u>Qualtrics Survey</u> that we hope to send to all students via the student listserv. The survey data will help the SLS team gauge student interest and their needs.

# [PREAMBLE]

Student Legal Services (SLS) at Wayne State University is a proposed initiative aimed at providing free or low-cost legal assistance to students at Wayne State University. This service would offer support in various legal matters, ensuring that students have access to professional advice and representation when needed.

The types of services typically provided by SLS include:

- Tenant-Landlord Issues: Assistance with lease agreements, disputes with landlords, and other housing-related concerns.
- Consumer Protection: Help with issues such as credit card disputes, faulty products, and other consumer rights matters.
- Family Law: Guidance on matters such as divorce, child custody, and support.
- Traffic Violations: Representation for minor traffic offenses and related legal advice.
- Criminal Misdemeanors: Legal support for minor criminal charges, like expungements.
- Employment Issues: Assistance with employment contracts, workplace disputes, and unfair dismissal claims.
- Immigration: Support with visa applications, renewals, and other immigration-related issues
- LGBTQ+ Issues: Assist with name changes, or insurance denial appeals.

This initiative is spearheaded by the WSU Student Senate and the WSU Law School's Student Board of Governors. We are conducting this survey to gauge student interest in establishing an SLS office on campus. Your feedback will help determine the demand for these services and inform our efforts to bring this valuable resource to Wayne State University.

### [SECTION 1 – DEMOGRAPHICS]

- What is your current status at Wayne State University? (check all that apply)
  - Undergraduate



- o Graduate
- Part-time
- o Full-time
- What year are you in your program?
  - o Freshman
  - Sophomore
  - Junior
  - o Senior
  - o Graduate Student
- What category best describes you?
  - o White (Eg: German, Irish, English, Italian, Polish, French, etc)
  - Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin (Eg: Mexican or Mexican American, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Salvadoran, Dominican, Colombian, etc)
  - Black or African American (Eg: African American, Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Somalian, etc)
  - o Asian (Eg: Chinese, Filipino, Asian Indian, Vietnamese, Korean, Japanese, etc)
  - American Indian or Alaska Native(Eg: Navajo nation, Blackfeet tribe, Mayan, Aztec, Native Village or Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government, Nome Eskimo Community, etc)
  - Middle Eastern or North African (Eg: Lebanese, Iranian, Egyptian, Syrian, Moroccan, Algerian, etc)
  - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (Eg: Native Hawaiian, Samoan, Chamorro, Tongan, Fijian, etc)
  - o Mixed Race
  - o Other
    - Text box

### [SECTION 2 - SLS]

- How interested would you be in having a Student Legal Services office at Wayne State University?
  - Not interested
  - Indifferent
  - Interested
  - Very interested
- Which legal issues have you encountered or are you concerned about? (Check all that apply)



- o Landlord/tenant disputes
- Consumer rights issues
- o Traffic violations
- o Family law matters (e.g., divorce, child custody)
- Immigration issues
- Criminal matters
- o LGBTQ+ Legal Support
- Accessibility or Accommodations Disputes (excluding claims against the University)
- o Other (please specify)
  - Text box
- If you have encountered any such legal issues, has it affected your financial wellbeing?
  - o Yes
    - Please use the box for any additional comments you'd like to leave.
  - o No
- If you have encountered any such legal issues, has it affected your education?
  - o Yes
    - Please use the box for any additional comments you'd like to leave.
  - o No
- How likely would you be to use the services of a Student Legal Services office if it were available?
  - Somewhat unlikely
  - Neither likely nor unlikely
  - Somewhat likely
  - Extremely likely
- How much of an increase would you be willing to see in your student service fee?
  Note: A student taking 15 credit hours pays \$666.15 in student service fees per semester.
  - o \$10 per semester
  - o \$15 per semester
  - o \$20 per semester
  - o \$40 per semester
  - \$10 per year
  - o \$15 per year
  - o \$20 per year
  - o \$40 per year



- Do you have any additional comments or suggestions regarding the potential implementation of a Student Legal Services office at Wayne State University?
  - Text box

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**APPROVED** 

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