



*A brief explanation  
about the NIU  
Student Government  
Association*

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# *About Myself*

- 2018 Graduate of Plainfield South Highschool in Plainfield, IL.
- Currently majoring in Psychology with a minor in Economics.
- Involved on campus since Freshman year in multiple student organizations.
- Elected President of the 54<sup>th</sup> session of the Executive cabinet in April 2022.

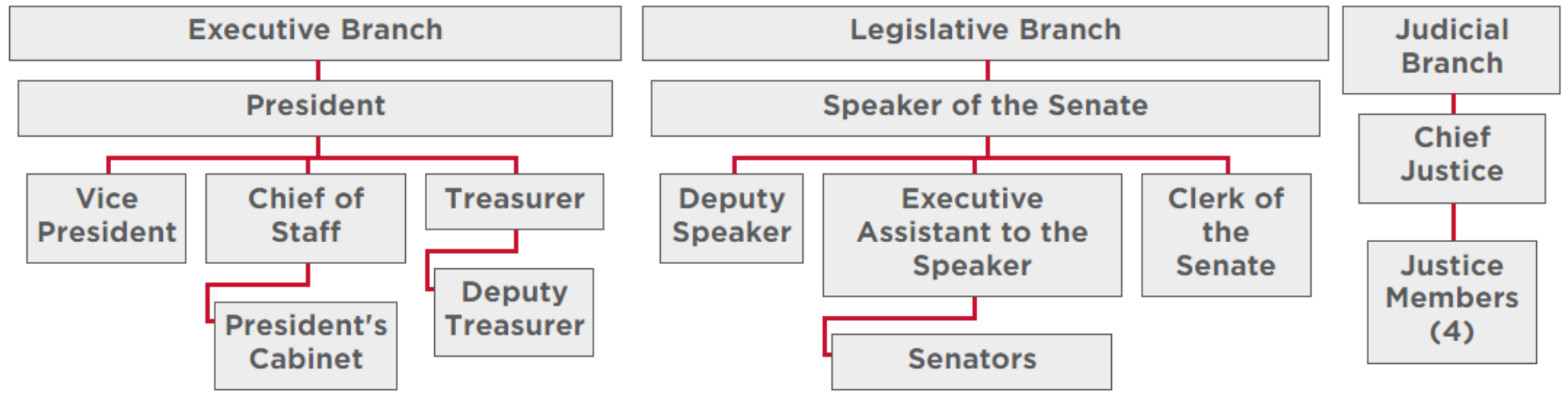


# *Purpose of the SGA*

“The purpose of the NIU SGA shall be the organization and coordination of activities of student interest and the representation of student views concerning University policy, including working through shared governance.”

# Structure of the SGA

## Organizational Chart



# *Executive Branch*

- 4 Elected officials: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Student Trustee.
- President's Cabinet comprised of 10 Directors who oversee specific areas of student interests.
- Vice-President primarily helps oversee all student organizations.
- Treasurer helps allocate funding for all student organizations.
- Student Trustee serves as the student representative on the Board of Trustees.
- All positions are paid, besides Student Trustee.

# *Legislative Branch*

- Headed by the Speaker of the Senate.
- Consists of 30 senators who represent different constituencies.
- Develop legislation regarding student interests.
- Approve all paid, non-elected, members of SGA.
- Approve the development of all student organizations.
- Only leadership (Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Clerk, & Historian) are paid, all other senators are unpaid.

# *Judicial Branch*

- Comprised of 5 justices, including the Chief Justice.
- Main purpose is to preserve and protect the rights of all students.
- Rule on the constitutionality of action taken by any SGA-recognized student organization.
- Rule on the constitutionality of action taken by Executive Branch or Legislative Branch.

# *Current Challenges*

- Student involvement and engagement.
- Responding to adjusting student needs after Covid-19.
- Inadequate funding.



*Questions?*

