Resolution CALLING FOR AN ON-CAMPUS VOTING SITE
(Resolution 2015-04)

Whereas on-campus voting sites increase student voting accessibility,
Whereas voting is an essential part of our civic responsibility and the democratic process,
Whereas North Carolina has been a closely contested state in recent Presidential and local elections\(^1\),
Whereas recently approved state laws would already reduce early voting periods, eliminate the ability to simultaneously register and vote, and strengthen voter identification and registration requirements\(^2\),
Whereas an on-campus voting site would help us comply with these new requirements,
Whereas our ability to vote advances Duke’s expressed interest in engaging the larger North Carolina community on regional and educational issues\(^3\); now, therefore be it

Resolved that the Graduate and Professional Student Council:

1. Supports ongoing administration efforts to determine possible on-campus voting sites that meet the state’s accessibility requirements\(^4\)
2. Asks the administration to update the university public on these efforts
3. Asks the administration to communicate to the Durham County Board of Elections regarding potential sites in time for public discussion at the November 10 canvassing meeting and consideration at the December 15, 2015 Board of Elections business meeting.\(^5\)
4. Can and will encourage students to use an on-campus voting site through our newsletter, social media and General Assembly Members
Signed,

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Date approved by the Council:  
November 3rd 2015

CITATIONS


3 “Message from the Vice President” Office of Durham & Regional Affairs, https://community.duke.edu/a-message-from-the-vice-president/.
