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have a leadership and vision that is different than the past," Patel said.

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Patel proposes mandating more cabinet positions, including directors for multicultural organizations, community service programs, Greek affairs, an environmental affairs and women's issues. He also plans to rewrite student budget codes.

Patel is particularly outspoken about the BGLA's attempt to add a sexual orientation clause to the Carolinian Creed. "I think the fact that it hasn't been added yet is a tragedy. It shows we still have a lot of work to do," Patel said.

In addition to sexual orientation, Patel believes ethnicity should be added to the creed.

"Right now the categories include national origin, race, religion and gender," Patel said. He

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**ANKIT PATEL**  
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

cited the example of a student from a Jewish background as someone who might not fall into one of those categories.

Patel said he strongly supports giving more of SG's budget to student organizations with a focus on community service. "Many groups work so hard... they could do so much more if they had proper funding."

Patel said that if he is elected SG president, he would like to be remembered as dedicated, committed president who worked hard and fought for the students; someone who was able to remove politics from Student Government.

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## The Patel File

- ◆ Third-year international studies student, age 21
- ◆ **Birthplace:** Houston, Texas. Lived in Greenville since age 4.
- ◆ **Family:** Parents and one sister, Avani, 18, a freshman at Ohio State University
- ◆ **Hobbies:** Playing on a club soccer team, reading, watching USC sports, playing guitar
- ◆ **Past and present activities at USC:** SG Parliamentarian, First Mentors (president), Carolina Debate, NAACP
- ◆ **Other activities:** Semester in Washington with Rep. John Spratt (Spring '01), program director with Greenville County Department of Social Services
- ◆ **Favorite song:** "Best of What's Around," Dave Matthews Band
- ◆ **Last book read:** Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man by James Weldon Johnson
- ◆ **Future goals:** Law school, possible career in public service or international law

## Smoking

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items off of the list and to make the words meaningful.

For example, a program participant might pick the word emphysema.

For two minutes a day, 10 times a day, that person would think of the word in context, with phrases like "Emphysema is walking 30 yards and needing to sit down and take a break," or "Emphysema is coughing uncontrollably and receiving dirty looks from everyone around you."

Michels said this exercise is hard for many people because it makes them uncomfortable to think of the bad side effects and problems that result from smoking.

The purpose of the program is to encourage participants not to smoke, decreasing the many risks involved. In one study conducted by CNN, only 42 percent of male lifelong smokers reached the age of 73, compared to 78 per-

cent of non-smokers.

According to South Carolina Project ASSIST, employees who smoke waste approximately six percent of their time at work with the smoking ritual.

Productivity may increase for the nonsmoker as well. Absenteeism rates for smokers are about 50 percent higher than for nonsmokers.

The classes are broken up into two different areas- readiness to quit and the self-confidence to quit.

Meetings will take place every Monday and Wednesday at 5:30-6:45 p.m. starting Feb. 4, and they will continue until Feb. 20.

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## Tips To Help You Stop Smoking

1. **MAKE A LIST** of your reasons for quitting and say them often.
2. **SET A QUIT DATE** and tell everyone you are going to quit.
3. **KEEP A SUPPLY** of healthy snacks handy.
4. **INCREASE YOUR EXERCISE.** Walk more.
5. **MAKE SPECIFIC PLANS** for what you'll do when the urge hits. For example, take a deep breath, get up and walk around, call a friend for help, keep your hands busy. Remember the urge passes in just a few minutes whether you smoke or not.
6. **REMOVE ALL CIGARETTES,** ashtrays, matches and lighters from your home, workplace and car.
7. **ASK YOUR DOCTOR** whether using a nicotine replacement product is right for you. Ask for his or her support to help you stop smoking.

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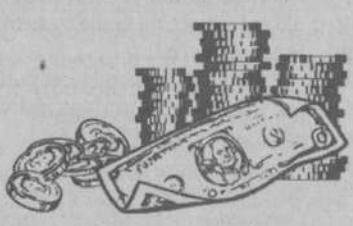
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All registered student organizations must be represented by the Treasurer, or designated executive officer, at a Treasurer's Workshop to continue to be eligible for student activity fee funding. All Treasurers of organizations that receive, or are planning to receive student activity funds during the 2001-2002 school year, must attend a Workshop.

Treasurer's Workshops will be held on the following dates:

Thursday, January 31, 2002	3:30 - 5:00	RHUU 322/326
Thursday, January 31, 2002	5:00 - 6:00	RHUU 322/326 Sports Clubs Only
Tuesday, February 5, 2002	5:00 - 6:30	RHUU 303
Wednesday, February 6, 2002	5:00 - 6:30	RHUU 322/326 International Only
Wednesday, February 6, 2002	7:00 - 8:30	RHUU 322/326
Thursday, February 7, 2002	3:30 - 5:00	RHUU 322/326

**A Treasurer or representative must attend the entire workshop and turn in an attendance form.**

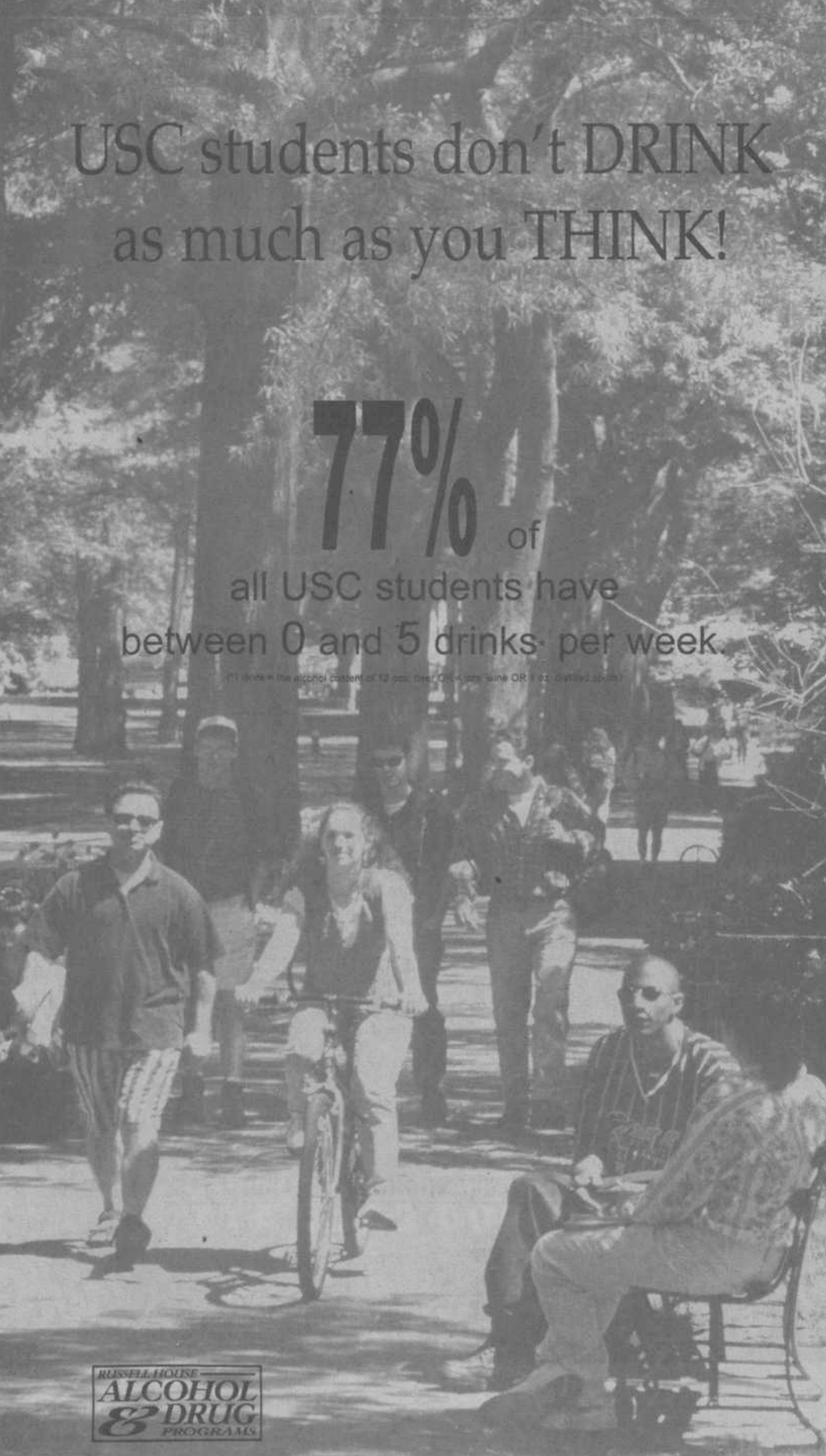
Any questions concerning funding should be directed to Hydrick Harden at 777-2654 or Catherine Claytor at 777-3015.


# USC students don't DRINK as much as you THINK!

## 77%

of all USC students have between 0 and 5 drinks per week.

77% based on the alcohol content of 12 oz. beer, 12 oz. wine, OR 1 1/2 ounces spirits.






Based on computer-aided survey data collected from a random sample of USC students during the fall of 2001. Funded by a grant awarded from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Education Research, The Prevention of High-Risk Drinking and Student Deaths Program. Director of Student & Parent Programs • Research, Training, and Support • Department of Student Life • Division of Student & Parent Services

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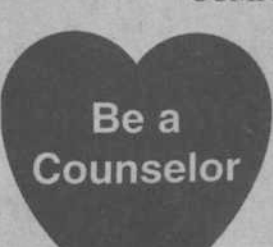
Summer Academic Programs where students stay overnight in the residence halls. Programs include: Summer Program for Research Interns (SPRI), Gear Up, Patriotic Trips, Anatomy of Murder, Summer Dance Experience, Tag 2002 - Young Lawyers, TAG 2002 - Young Scientists, ABCDE Summer Institute and more.

**POSITION TITLE:** Programmed Hall Counselor  
May 28 - July, 2002

**AGES:** Primarily middle school school age students (30 - 35 students per program)

**COMPENSATION:**

- ¥ \$310.00 per week.
- ¥ \$90.00 per week stipend for living on campus/ being on-call.
- ¥ On campus housing at no cost to employee in exchange for on-duty hours. Primary residence: Preston College.
- ¥ Complimentary meals at selected conference-dining facilities.



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**POSITION TITLE:** Summer At Carolina Counselor  
June 5- July 27, 2002 Monday - Friday (excluding week of July 4th)

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Carolina Plaza - 937 Assembly Street, Suite 108 (Visitor Center)

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