



Presidential & Vice Presidential Application

Spring 2018 – Winter 2019

General Requirements for Senators

1. Students must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
2. Students must maintain full-time academic status.
3. Students are expected to act appropriately and professionally on all forms of social media.
4. Students who are on University probation of any kind will not be allowed to serve on the senate until the probation has been lifted.

General Responsibilities for Senators

1. Senators shall be involved in voting for all legislation brought forward at the general assembly meetings.
2. Are required to be a member of a Student Senate committee.
 1. Campus Life and Affairs Committee
 2. Diversity and Inclusion Committee
 3. Appropriations Committee
 4. Rules and Ethics Committee
 5. Special Events Committee
 6. Wellness Committee
 7. Religious Affairs

Presidential Responsibilities

1. The primary responsibility of the president is to preside over Senate meetings.
2. If the President is not present, his/her responsibilities are to be upheld by the Vice President.
3. The President shall not participate in voting unless his/her vote is one that will be the deciding factor on whether or not a vote passes.
4. The President shall act as the spokesperson of the group.
5. The President is required to deliver a “State of Senate” address in early January. This address shall focus on the accomplishments of the program during the previous semester and the outlook for the current semester.
6. Must create a final report detailing what the Senate accomplished during the semester, once in early December and the other in mid-April.
7. Delegate tasks to the remaining executives when he/she feels it is necessary.

Vice Presidential Responsibilities

1. Assist the president in his/her duties.
2. Shall oversee the House of Representatives.
3. Overlook the activities of the Senate and other executive officers.
4. Shall appoint secretaries from among the senators (See Article II, Section 2 of Bylaws).

Campaigning Rules

There are three types of campaigning:

“Verbal Campaigning” is defined as any spoken campaigning, and shall be allowed at any time.

“Electronic Campaigning” is defined as utilizing email, texts, websites, or social media and shall be allowed starting Monday, February 5, 2018.

“Active Campaigning” is defined as campaigning utilizing printed materials and/or written materials, and may not begin until Monday, March 12, 2018.

1. All campaigning must be done in accordance with University policies, and must abide by the following restrictions;
2. Voting polls may not be managed by candidates for office in the election or anyone associated with a candidate’s campaign; Candidates for office in the election must not knowingly be within twenty (20) feet of any student while that student is voting;
3. Campaign material may not discriminate or promote discrimination in any way that is inconsistent with University or Student Government policies;
4. Campaign materials may not be posted on trees, telephone poles, wires, fire hydrants, automobiles, parking meters, trash cans, or public signs on campus;
5. Campaign materials may not be posted in residence halls without the express permission of residence hall staff;
6. Chalk boards and dry erase boards owned by the University may only be used to post non-partisan information about voting;
7. Candidates may not tamper with the campaign materials of other candidates;
8. Student Senate may not endorse any candidate;
9. Candidates may not serve at any campaign related event, nor may they use alcohol or alcohol related themes in campaign materials;
10. Candidates and tickets may not spend more than \$200 during the course of a campaign advocating the election or rejection of a candidate or ticket. Receipts must be kept and turned in to the Office of Student Life;
11. Candidates and tickets may not post more than 50 flyers (8.5x11” or smaller) on campus, in accordance with the posting policies on campus (approval by Student Life).
12. Clarification of campaign rules will be done by the Election Committee and the Student Senate Advisor.

Election Process

1. Nominations/ applications to file for office shall be available on **Monday, February 5, 2018**
2. The Election Committee must be established by **Monday, February 12, 2018**
3. The deadline for filing for office shall be **Friday, March 2, 2018**
4. There shall be mandatory candidate meetings during the weeks of **February 12 & 26, 2018**
5. Active campaigning shall begin no sooner than **Monday, March 12, 2018**
6. Receipts for purchases made during the course of the campaign must be turned in to the Office of Student Life by **April 5, 2018**
7. Voting shall take place **Friday, April 6, 2018 - Friday, April 13, 2018**
8. The deadline to file for grievances against a candidate shall be **Monday, April 16, 2018**
9. Winners shall be announced **Tuesday, April 17, 2018**