



UWSA

THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

General Election 2021 Nomination Rules

Drafted in accordance with the State
of Emergency By-laws and presented
for approval to the Feb 24, 2021
Meeting of the Board of Directors

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STATE OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

In accordance with the By-law 10 – State of Emergency Measures, the 2021 UWSA General Election will be held online with virtual nominations to accommodate the restriction of campus due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

These rules are designed to work in tandem with the Election Reform by-law changes proposed to the Feb 24, 2021 meeting of the UWSA Board of Directors. As such, the election and nomination rules are set to be approved by the Board of Directors, while campaigning, ballot, and voting rules shall be approved by the Election Accountability Board. These rules are designed to allow the UWSA comply without as much of the election by-laws as possible without compromising the safety of staff, election participants, and voters. These rules will only be in effect for the 2021 General Election and will expire at the close of the election cycle.

ELECTION AND NOMINATION RULES, GENERAL ELECTION 2021

Article 1. By-Election 2020

In accordance with UWSA By-law 10 – State of Emergency Measures, the 2021 UWSA General Election shall be held online to accommodate the restriction of campus due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Article 2. Election Rules

The Election Rules for the 2021 UWSA General Election shall be the UWSA Election By-laws, UWSA Election Policies, and the 2021 UWSA General Election Rules. Where contradiction is found between the 2021 UWSA General Election Rules and the UWSA By-laws and Policies, the 2021 UWSA General Election Rules shall take precedence.

Article 3. Postings, Contact, and Communication

- i. Notwithstanding any UWSA by-law to the contrary, all postings related to the elections, including nomination information, campaign rules, deadlines, complaints, and rulings of the Election Accountability Board (“EAB”) shall be posted exclusively on the UWSA website. No physical postings shall be made on any UWinnipeg property.
- ii. Notwithstanding any UWSA by-law to the contrary, all contact and communications between potential nominees, candidates, volunteers and the Chief Election Commissioner (“CEC”), Election Campaign Facilitators (“ECFs”), and EAB shall be made via email, telephone, video conference, or another appropriately distanced communication mechanism agreed upon by all parties.
- iii. The CEC and ECFs shall hold virtual office hours where they will be available to election participants for feedback and concerns.

Article 4. Nominations

(These rules supersede any contradictory by-laws found under the Nominations by-law)



- i. Nomination forms shall be available on the UWSA Website and shall only be accepted via email to cec@theuwsa.ca unless an accessibility accommodation is required.
- ii. Alternative nomination forms required for accessibility shall be available upon request. Requests for an alternative nomination form must be submitted in writing or by phone to the CEC by 8 a.m. on Wednesday, March 10.
- iii. Nomination forms are due at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 11.

Article 5. Referenda

There shall be no petition for referenda accepted for the 2021 UWSA General Election.