

SFSS Elections: Candidate Nomination Package

The following information is drawn from the SFSS Constitution & By-Laws for your convenience. This is not a substitute for reading the policies in full.

Who can run?

In order to run for an executive or at-large position on the SFSS Board of Directors, you must be an “active member in good standing of the Society”. That means you need to be “an undergraduate student who... is registered in a course or program for the current semester”, and “has paid all fees, fines and penalties levied in accordance with [the] By-Laws or the Society’s regulations”.

Nominees for the faculty representative positions must, in addition to being an active member in good standing, also be a member of the faculty of the position. That means they need to be either enrolled in a degree program within the faculty, such as a declared major or minor, or currently enrolled in a course within the faculty.

Who can nominate?

Anyone who is entitled to vote for a position may endorse a nomination. The criteria are identical to the eligibility for running for a position. All active members in good standing of the Society may:

- Nominate candidates for the executive or at-large positions.
- Nominate candidates for the faculty representative positions for their faculty.

What am I committing to?

If elected, you will “hold office for one year, May 1st through April 30th, inclusive”. Candidates elected during by-elections will hold office for the remainder of the current term.

You may not “run for or hold more than one position on either the Board or Forum simultaneously”. Only one nomination form may be submitted at a time, but you may change your mind until the close of nomination, at which time the latest submission will be used.

What else should I know?

Nominees should familiarize themselves with all relevant rules and policies, including but not limited to the Constitution and By-Laws (especially By-Laws 14 to 17 for the purposes of the election), Electoral and Referenda Policy (R-17), Absence, Leave and Resignation Policy (AP-1), and the Candidate Handbook. All of these and other important documents are located on the IEC’s website at elections.sfss.ca, or upon request from a Commissioner.

Nominees must complete the Candidate Information & Declaration form and obtain no fewer than 10 and no more than 15 signatures from members who are entitled to vote for the position sought.

Candidate Platforms

Candidate platforms will be posted on the IEC website to assist students in deciding the best candidate.

Platforms must be submitted to the IEC within 24 hours of the close of nominations. Late submissions will not be accepted, and they may not be edited or revised after submission. The IEC reserves the right to edit submissions for formatting. All submitted platforms will be published approximately 48 hours from the close of nominations.

Platforms should explain your goals and intentions for your term in office in sufficient detail to fully inform voters and instil confidence in your abilities to perform the position sought. This will be the only resource available during voting days, so present yourself clearly. There is no word limit on platforms to allow you sufficient room to communicate an effective message, but please do not abuse this liberty.

Platforms may also be accompanied by a photo of yourself. This is highly encouraged in order to present yourself to the student body.

If you would like the IEC to publish your email address with your platform on the IEC website, please circle the appropriate option in the Candidate Information section of the nomination form. You may also include any contact information in your platform should you wish to do so.

Information Sessions

The IEC will be hosting two information sessions after close of nominations, at the beginning of campaign period. These are designed to highlight key elements of the election, and answer any initial questions candidates may have. While attendance is voluntary, it is highly recommended to ensure that the elections procedures are fully understood.

The exact time and dates could be found in the Candidate Handbook. Both sessions will cover the same information. Candidates need not attend both, and should choose the most convenient session. RSVP is not required.

Questions & Concerns

If you have any questions or concerns about this election, please visit our website at elections.sfss.ca, or contact the Chief Electoral Officer at ceo@sfss.ca.

SFSS Elections: Nomination Form (part 1 of 2)

Candidate Information

Full Name:	Slate (if applicable):
Position Sought:	
Student Number:	
Address:	
Mobile Phone:	Secondary Phone (optional):
Preferred Email:	<i>Include on IEC website? [yes][no]</i>

Candidate Declaration

I declare under penalty of fine or disqualification that the above information is correct, and that I believe myself to be a legally qualified candidate for office, nominated in full accordance with the regulations of the SFSS and the Independent Electoral Commission.

I further declare that I have read and understood Administrative Policy 1 of the SFSS. I hereby consent to the release of information by the SFU registrar for proof of registration status and other purposes specified in Administrative Policy 1, upon request, at any time during my term, should I be elected.

Signed: _____

On this day: _____
full date

How did you find out about this opportunity? (optional)

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SFSS Elections: Nomination Form (part 2 of 2)

To the Chief Electoral Officer of the Independent Electoral Commission,

Pursuant to the Simon Fraser Student Society Constitution and all relevant election rules, we the undersigned respectfully seek the nomination of

<i>name</i>	<i>(slate)</i>
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for the position of

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Each of the undersigned states for themselves that they are a registered student of Simon Fraser University, and a member in good standing of the Simon Fraser Student Society, entitled to vote for the position being sought by the candidate.

	Print Name	Student #	Signature
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This form has been created in compliance with the Personal Information Protection Act. The personal information you provide will be used solely to verify your status as a member of the SFSS. By providing it, you give the Simon Fraser Student Society consent to use this information in this way only. This information will be kept confidential and will not be sold or traded to any other organization. If you do not consent to this, please refrain from providing us with your information.