



University of Toronto

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

To: Members of the University Affairs Board

From: Nancy Smart, Chief Returning Officer

Date: October 17, 2007 for November 6, 2007

Re: Election Guidelines 2008

Attached is the draft *Election Guidelines 2008*. The proposed minor revisions listed below include changes issuing from experience with the *Election Guidelines 2007*, as well as changes intended to provide clarity of language.

I would be happy to provide additional information on any of the proposed changes.

Election Guidelines 2007	Proposed Changes for Election Guidelines 2008
<p>Chapter I - Interpretation</p> <p>"Full-Time Undergraduate Student" means all students (except students registered in the Toronto School of Theology) registered at the University in a program of full-time study leading to a degree or post-secondary diploma or certificate of the University or in a program designated by the Governing Council as a program of post-secondary study at the University who are not registered in the School of Graduate Studies. The status of a student as full-time will be determined by the definition used in the student's academic division. For purposes of the Governing Council elections, students at the University of Toronto at Scarborough who are registered in a work term will be considered to be full-time students; (p. 4)</p> <p>"Graduate Student" means all students registered in programs of part-time or full-time study leading to a degree or post-secondary diploma or certificate of the University or in a program designated by the Governing Council as a program of post-secondary study at the University in the School of Graduate Studies; (p. 4)</p>	<p>Chapter I - Interpretation</p> <p>"Full-Time Undergraduate Student" means a student registered at the University in a program of full-time study leading to a degree or post-secondary diploma or certificate of the University or in a program designated by the Governing Council as a program of post-secondary study at the University who is not registered in the School of Graduate Studies or the Toronto School of Theology. The status of a student as full-time will be determined by the definition used in the student's academic division. For purposes of the Governing Council elections, students at the University of Toronto at Scarborough who are registered in a work term will be considered to be full-time students;</p> <p>"Graduate Student" means a student registered in the School of Graduate Studies;</p>

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<p>Constituency II - 2 seats FOR WHICH AN ELECTION IS REQUIRED</p> <p>all full-time undergraduate students registered in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, Faculty of Dentistry, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Music, Faculty of Nursing, OISE/UT, Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, and Faculty of Physical Education and Health (with the proviso that both members elected in Constituency II not be registered in the same faculty, and that in the event that a member elected while registered in one faculty or school later registers in the faculty or school in which the other elected member is registered, the transferring member shall resign his or her seat) (p. 11)</p>	<p>Constituency II - 2 seats FOR WHICH AN ELECTION IS REQUIRED</p> <p>all full-time undergraduate students registered in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, Faculty of Dentistry, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Music, Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, OISE/UT, Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, and Faculty of Physical Education and Health (with the proviso that both members elected in Constituency II not be registered in the same faculty, and that in the event that a member elected while registered in one faculty or school later registers in the faculty or school in which the other elected member is registered, the transferring member shall resign his or her seat)</p>
<p>"Part-Time Undergraduate Student" means all students (except students registered in the Toronto School of Theology) registered at the University in a program of part-time study leading to a degree or post-secondary diploma or certificate of the University, or in a program designated by the Governing Council as a program of post-secondary study at the University, who are not registered in the School of Graduate Studies. The status of a student as part-time will be determined by the definition used in the student's academic division. (p. 11)</p>	<p>"Part-Time Undergraduate Student" means a student registered at the University in a program of part-time study leading to a degree or post-secondary diploma or certificate of the University or in a program designated by the Governing Council as a program of post-secondary study at the University who is not registered in the School of Graduate Studies or the Toronto School of Theology. The status of a student as part-time will be determined by the definition used in the student's academic division.</p>
<p>Chapter V - Election Schedule 2008</p> <p><u>Nominations (same for both elections)</u> (p. 13)</p>	<p>Chapter V - Election Schedule 2008</p> <p><u>Nominations (same for all elections)</u></p>

<p>Chapter VI – Regulations</p> <p>a) Nominations</p> <p>ix) Verification process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the event that one or more of a nominee’s nominators cannot be verified, they may be replaced by the nominee if, in the judgment of the CRO, the error was made in good faith. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The deadline for this process will be the end of the verification period. (p. 17) <p>xvii) Names of candidates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The names of candidates nominated for election will be public information as they are received, once the nomination has been validated. The names of nominators will <u>not</u> be released by the Chief Returning Officer to the public or the other candidates. (p. 18) <p>b) Campaign period</p> <p>ii) Campaigning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campaigning for elections held by mail ballot in teaching staff and administrative staff constituencies may not begin until all candidates have been announced. (p. 19) <p>APPENDIX C Guidelines for Campaigning</p> <p>3. Campaigning for web-based elections may not start before 12:01 a.m. February 25, 2008 and will cease at the end of the voting period. (p. 31)</p> <p>k) (ii)</p> <p>(ii) <i>Severe</i> violations might include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · spending grossly over the maximum spending limit as set by the <i>Election Guidelines</i>; · intentionally misrepresenting campaign expenditures; · attempting to interfere in the election process as regulated by these <i>Guidelines</i>; · soliciting Student Information System (SIS) and/or Personal Identity Number (PIN) numbers. (p. 34) 	<p>Chapter VI – Regulations</p> <p>a) Nominations</p> <p>ix) Verification process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the event that one or more of a nominee’s nominators cannot be verified, they may be replaced by the nominee if, in the judgment of the CRO, the error was made in good faith. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The deadline for this process will be the time of announcement of candidates (Thursday, January 31, 1:00 p.m.) <p>xvii) Names of candidates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The names of candidates nominated for election will be made public on Thursday, January 31, 1:00 p.m. The names of nominators will <u>not</u> be released by the Chief Returning Officer to the public or the other candidates. <p>b) Campaign period</p> <p>ii) Campaigning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campaigning for elections held by mail ballot in teaching staff and administrative staff constituencies may not begin until all candidates have been announced – 5:01 p.m. on Friday, February 8, 2008, and will end at 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 14, 2008. <p>APPENDIX C Guidelines for Campaigning</p> <p>3. Campaigning for web-based elections may not start before 12:01 a.m., Monday, February 25, 2008 and will cease at the end of the voting period (6:00 p.m. Friday, March 7, 2008).</p> <p>k) (ii)</p> <p>(ii) <i>Severe</i> violations might include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · spending grossly over the maximum spending limit as set by the <i>Election Guidelines</i>; · intentionally misrepresenting campaign expenditures; · attempting to interfere in the election process, including the online voting process, as regulated by these <i>Guidelines</i>;
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