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Proposed Changes to the
Policy on the Recognition of Campus Groups

Draft Policy Consultation

The University is currently consulting on proposed changes to the ***Policy on the Recognition of Campus Groups*** and welcomes your input.

Online consultations:

uoft.me/policyconsultations

(open until March 27, 2020)



Consultation Plan

- Online form open February 11 to March 27
- In-person feedback sessions @ St. George, UTM, & UTSC
- Email sent to:
 - Recognized campus groups
 - Student societies
 - Forum on Student Experience
 - Student Life Professionals (SLP) Listserv



Background

- *Policy on the Recognition of Campus Groups* last revised in 1993
- Number of U of T recognized campus groups has grown to 1,200+ (total for all three campuses)
- Group membership (including executive members) includes students, staff, faculty, and alumni
- Status as non-voting members may be extended to persons from outside of the University

Key Changes

- Title of the Policy to change from *Recognition of **Campus** Groups* to *Recognition of **Student** Groups*
- Recognized student groups required to operate in accordance with the principles outlined in the *Policy on Open, Accessible and Democratic Autonomous Student Organizations*
- Recognized student groups required to include “Student Group” in their name if using “U of T” or “University of Toronto”



Key Changes - Eligibility

- Student groups must have a minimum of ten (10) members
- Executive members must be registered U of T students
- Students may be executive members on multiple student groups, but may only serve as a financial signing officer on one at a time
- Other groups will be recognized through procedures established by the appropriate office (e.g., alumni groups will be recognized through procedures established by Alumni Relations)
- Clear relationship between external organization and student group

Key Changes - Membership

- Further requirements to clarify relationships with external organizations:
 - Executive members, financial signing officers, and contact person of a recognized student group shall not be an executive member of the external organization
 - The external organization shall not benefit financially from the activities of the recognized student group (e.g., from membership fees, admittance to events, etc.) unless the recognized student group explicitly indicates that proceeds will be donated to the external organization

Thoughts? Questions?

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