

CHARTER OF THE POLITICS AND GLOBAL STUDIES STUDENT COUNCIL



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PREAMBLE

The Politics and Global Studies Student Council (hereinafter referred to as “PGSSC”) serves as a cornerstone in cultivating democratic values, leadership, and civic responsibility among students enrolled in the Politics and Global Studies (PGS) program at Chulalongkorn University and its partner institutions. These values are integral to the development of a robust democratic society and must be reflected in all Council activities and conduct.

Elected by the student body, PGSSC members are entrusted with the collective mandate to represent their peers and to act in accordance with the principles of democracy, inclusivity, accountability, transparency, integrity, and dedication. All members shall adhere to the rules and regulations of Chulalongkorn University and those of relevant partner universities and shall further encourage fellow students to observe the same.

The PGSSC is tasked with the organization of student-focused activities, academic and community initiatives, and administrative duties that serve the student body and the wider community.

SECTION 1: COMPOSITION, TERMS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

I. Composition

The PGSSC shall comprise the following elected positions:

1. President
2. Vice-President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Chief of External Affairs
6. Head of Public Relations
7. Chief of Academic Affairs
8. Track Representatives
9. Cohort Representatives

II. Terms and Elections

- The term of office for all PGSSC members shall be one (1) academic year, in accordance with the regulations of the Political Science Student Union of Chulalongkorn University (PSCU).
- The President and Council shall act in an interim capacity until the official results of the next election are declared.
- PGSSC elections are conducted in two phases:
 - The Presidential election is held under the authority of the PSCU.
 - The election for all other positions is organized by the Interim Council.
- The Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chief of External Affairs, Head of Public Relations, and Chief of Academic Affairs shall be elected directly by the PGS student body.

III. Roles and Duties

President

- Serves as the head of the PGSSC.
- Represents the PGS student body and serves concurrently on the PSCU Executive Committee.
- Holds decision-making authority on behalf of the PGSSC and is accountable for its actions.
- Chairs all official PGSSC meetings and oversees Council operations in accordance with Meeting Protocol 24/25-1.
- Encourages innovation and initiatives that contribute to the betterment of the program.

Vice-President

- Supports the President in fulfilling executive duties.
- May assume the role of the President upon authorization.
- Oversees activity implementation and coordination across the Council.

Secretary

- Manages internal communications, documentation, and record-keeping.
- Organizes meetings and prepares meeting minutes under the President's direction.
- Maintains archival records and correspondence.

Treasurer

- Oversees PGSSC financial matters and maintains the official bank account.
- Prepares and submits budget proposals, a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to events.
- Coordinates with the PGS office on fund allocation and ensures proper documentation of all financial transactions.

Chief of External Affairs

- Manages formal engagement with external organizations, including student bodies from other faculties, sponsors, and third-party collaborators.
- Coordinates public messaging in collaboration with the Head of Public Relations.

Head of Public Relations

- Manages the Council's public communications and social media presence.
- Promotes program activities and thematic content relevant to Politics and Global Studies.
- Develops outreach and engagement materials to foster student participation.

Chief of Academic Affairs

- Oversees academic initiatives and liaises with faculty on academic concerns.
- Organizes academic events and produces educational content in collaboration with Public Relations.

Track Representatives

- One (1) Representative per partner university with enrolled students abroad.
- Serve as liaisons between the PGSSC and students studying at partner institutions.
- Advocate for their track and report on student well-being abroad.

Cohort Representatives

- One (1) Representative per student cohort based at Chulalongkorn University.
- Serve as communication bridges between the Council and their respective year groups.
- Represent academic and welfare concerns of their cohort.

(Note: Students already represented by a Track Representative shall not be represented by a Cohort Representative.)

SECTION 2: PROTOCOLS

I. Purpose of Protocols

- Protocols serve to operationalize the mandates of this Charter and guide the conduct of PGSSC members.
- Protocols shall not conflict with the provisions of this Charter and shall have a binding effect within the Council.
- No protocol shall supersede existing or prior approved protocols without due process.

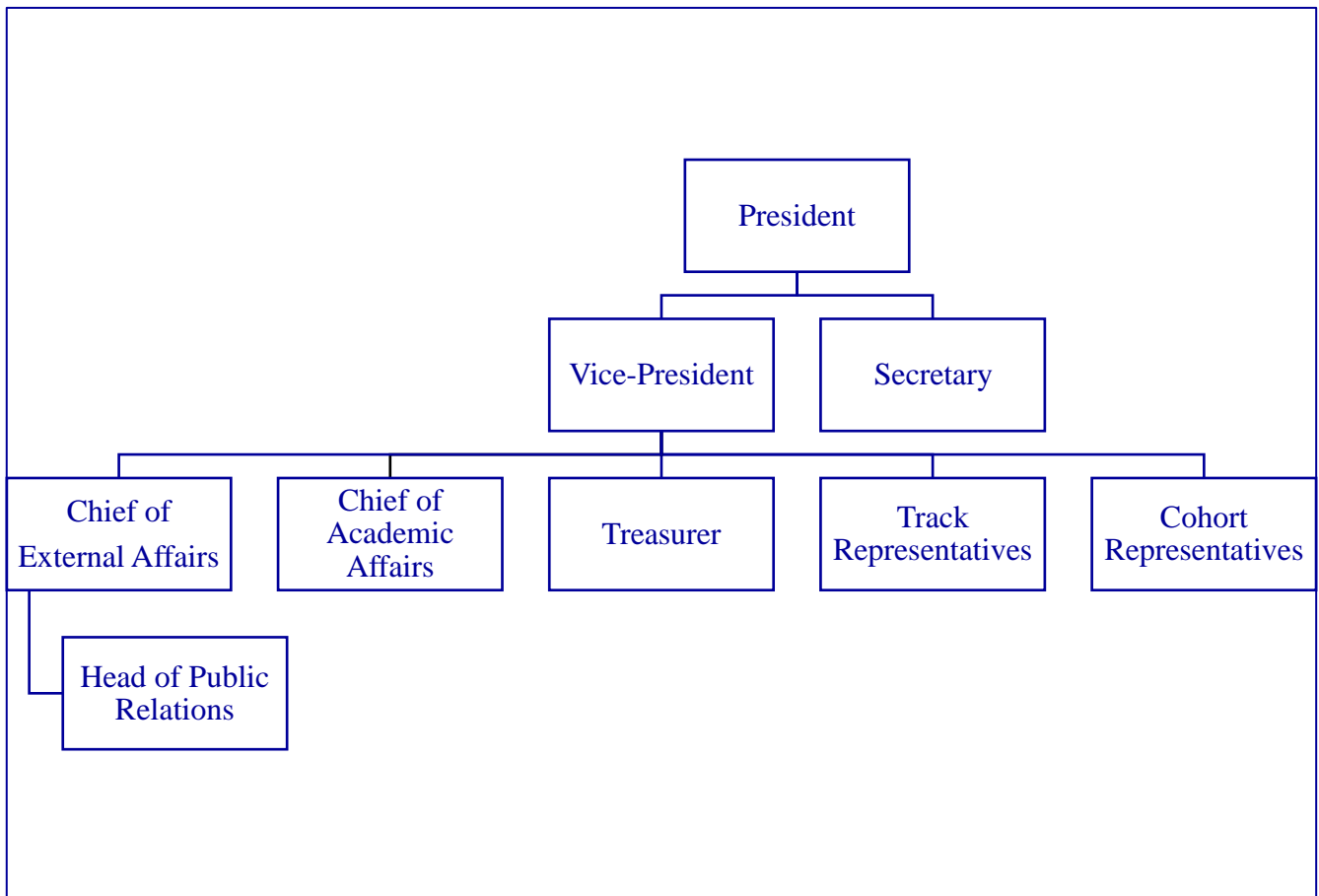
II. Creation and Ratification

- Protocols may be proposed, discussed, and adopted by a simple majority of Voting Members at a PGSSC meeting.
- All protocols must undergo review for consistency with this Charter and existing protocols.
- The President and Secretary must jointly sign and date the protocol for formal adoption.
- Upon ratification, the Secretary shall notify the PGS student body accordingly.

III. Amendment and Annulment

- Amendments to protocols shall be adopted following the same procedure as new protocol creation.
- Proposed changes must pass by a simple majority and be reviewed for consistency.
- Annulment of a protocol requires formal justification and must also pass by simple majority.
- The Secretary, in coordination with the President and relevant Council members, must issue a public notice outlining the rationale for annulment.

SECTION 3: ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



The PGSSC shall operate in accordance with the official organizational structure below.