

Physiology Undergraduate League of Students (PULS)
2020 Regulations for Campaigning for Elected Positions

1. Any returning student registered in the Department of Physiology as a full-time student for both semesters (including present council members) may be nominated for executive or officer positions. Students must have held a council position in the previous academic year to be eligible for the position of President and Vice President (Constitution A3.4).
 - a. Elected Executive Positions:
 - i. President
 - ii. Vice-President
 - iii. VP Finance
 - b. Elected Officer Positions:
 - i. VP Academic
 - ii. VP Internal
 - iii. VP Athletics & Publicity
 - iv. Two U3 Representatives
 - v. Two U2 Representatives
2. Students running for any position cannot do so together. Each student must run separately for his or her position. Current PULS officers and acclaimed candidates may not contribute to another student's campaign.
3. Campaigning shall begin Monday, March 16 at 1:00PM and end Friday, March 20 at 11:59PM. All campaign posters and materials must be removed by the end of the Campaign Period. Failure to do so shall lead to the disqualification of the candidate.
 - a. This includes removal of campaigning materials from social media, including profile pictures, cover photos, event pages, etc.
4. The Communications Director shall be responsible for coordinating the online polling. Voting Period shall open Sunday, March 22 at 12:00AM and close Saturday, March 28 at 11:59PM.
5. Elections shall be decided by a majority of votes. This includes elections for candidates who are running unopposed.
6. Students should not spend more than \$25 for campaigning purposes.
 - a. The use of any special authority or relationship to obtain campaign materials beyond the allotted amount is strictly prohibited.
7. In the event of a tie, an emergency meeting shall be called for the soonest possible time. At this meeting, the current council will interview both candidates, and declare

the winner by appointment. At least 2/3 of the council and the candidates must be present.

- a. In the event that at least one of the candidates are already active council members or there exists clear conflict of interest, the current council shall designate a panel of 5 people to interview all candidates. The current President must be a part of this 5-person panel and should abstain from voting if conflict of interest applies to him/her. The remaining 4 panel members must be members of the Physiology Department in some capacity. This new 5-person panel will interview all candidates who were involved in the election tie and appoint the best candidate for the position in question.
 - b. The above policy aims to maintain objectivity in the selection process and avoid conflict of interest.
8. Individual internet campaigning is allowed, however candidates may NOT advertise using PULS listserv/bounces or any other PULS resources.
 - a. Candidates are permitted to use online resources and social media to encourage Physiology students to vote for their preferred candidates in the election.
 - b. Online campaigning is restricted to Facebook. Use of alternate forms of social media is prohibited.
 - c. Candidates may NOT post on the PULS McGill or Physiology Facebook pages. A post containing all the candidates will be posted by PULS.
 - d. Candidates may also not post on any pages or groups.
9. Candidates may recruit a campaigning team of a maximum of 5 people within physiology and/or IHI.
 - a. Individuals cannot be on the campaigning team of candidates running for the same position. However, individuals are permitted to endorse multiple candidates running for different positions.
 - b. Members of the campaigning team MUST be approved by the PULS Communications Director, Carrie Rong (carrie.rong@mail.mcgill.ca) before they are permitted to endorse the candidate.
10. There will be no tolerance for slandering.
 - a. Failure to comply with these rules will result in immediate disqualification.

Candidates must submit their platform (300-word maximum) along with their picture (optional) to the PULS Communications Director, Carrie Rong (carrie.rong@mail.mcgill.ca) 5:00PM on Saturday, March 14, 2020 for display on the PULS website and online voting platform.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to the current PULS President and/or Vice President:
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