



A.S. GENERAL ELECTION

SPRING 2022





POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR 2022-23

- President of Associated Students (1 position)
- Vice President of Student Senate (1 position)
- Vice President of Finance (1 position)
- Vice President of Activities (1 position)
- Vice President of Records (1 position)
- Vice President of Public Relations (1 position)
- Student Trustee (1 position)
- Student Senators (33 positions)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum number of units each semester:

■ **5 units**

- Minimum GPA each semester:

■ **2.0 GPA**

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- Returning and transfer students must have completed at least 5 units and maintained a 2.0 GPA or better in the previous semester of enrollment (e.g., Fall 2021) **AND** must be enrolled in at least 5 units with an overall GPA of at least 2.0 during the semester of their candidacy (Spring 2022).
- Entering freshmen must have achieved at least a 2.0 GPA in their senior year of high school and have at least a 2.0 overall GPA for any college work they may have completed.
- Students may only serve as a member of Associated Students for up to eight (8) semesters in total. This includes Student Representatives, Student Senators, and Executive Officers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Once elected, all senators must be enrolled in at least 5 units with at least a 2.0 overall GPA throughout the semester that they hold office.
 - Failure to do so will result in being disqualified from office.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** No student may run for more than one position on the ballot.

ELECTION COMMITTEE

- The A.S. Election Committee is composed of the President of the Student Senate, the Vice President of the Student Senate, the Judicial Committee Chair, and two senators. The Election Committee will likely only meet as needed during this health crisis.
- In the absence of regular committee meetings, questions regarding the election should be directed to one of the following people, who will either provide the answer or refer it to the Election Committee if needed:
 - Dr. Joe Carrithers, A.S. Faculty Advisor, jcarrithers@fullcoll.edu
 - Dr. Naomi Abesamis, Director of Student Life & Leadership, nabesamis@fullcoll.edu
 - Stephanie Rodriguez, Student Services Specialist for A.S., srodriguez2@fullcoll.edu
 - Kennedy DeVries, Vice President of the Student Senate, kdevries@fullcoll.edu

CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS, PHOTOS, AND VIDEOS

- A special page will be prepared on the A.S. website to include candidates' statements (no more than 250 words) and photographs.
 - Since on-campus campaigning is not possible this semester, you may wish to take advantage of this opportunity to get the word out about your candidacy.
- Candidates may also submit a video of **no longer than three minutes** to be posted on the web page.
 - A link to an already uploaded YouTube video would be the easiest way to submit a video.
- Candidates' statements, photos, and/or links or videos must be submitted by email to AS@fullcoll.edu by noon on Monday, April 4. No changes to a candidate's statement or video may be made once it has been submitted.

BALLOTS

- The order of the names of the candidates placed on the ballot shall be determined by the order that the candidates' applications were turned in.
- It is the responsibility of the candidates to notify the A.S. Advisor (jcarrithers@fullcoll.edu), Director of Student Life & Leadership (nabesamis@fullcoll.edu), Student Services Specialist for A.S. (srodriguez2@fullcoll.edu), or the Chair of the Elections Committee (kdevries@fullcoll.edu) of any corrections that need to be made: e.g., name omitted from the ballot, name misspelled, wrong number sequence, etc.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

- Spaces shall be provided on all ballots for write-ins under each respective office.
- In the event that no candidate is running for a particular office, a minimum of 10 write-in votes shall be required to fill an A.S. Senator position and a minimum of 15 write-in votes shall be required to fill an Executive Officer or the Student Trustee position.
- Any reasonable variation of the write-in candidate's Fullerton College registered name will be accepted, providing that the write-in candidate receives a vote as well.
- All write-in candidates shall adhere to all rules and regulations as official candidates.

PUBLICITY RULES

- All candidates' campaigns shall be conducted in an ethical manner with mutual respect shown toward other candidates.
- Copies of all campaign publicity to be posted, distributed, or sent electronically are to be submitted to the A.S. Election Committee for approval before such items are used in each candidate's campaign.
- Any campaigning including but not limited to publicity in the form of posters, flyers, banners, buttons, Hornet ads, speeches, press conferences, club endorsements, verbal announcements, **social media**, **texting**, etc., are subject to Fullerton College policies and rules.

PUBLICITY RULES

- To ensure equity and fairness, candidates should refrain from asking for endorsements from college or district employees and/or campus programs or services.
- Club/organization endorsers providing campaign materials/publicity must meet the same requirements as the candidates, and the materials made by these endorsers are to be included in the amount/money of each candidate's maximum publicity requirements.
- ***Given that the campus is not yet fully open, you may not post any campaign materials on campus.***

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- The total of all expenditures for any candidate's campaign shall be valued at no more than \$100. This amount shall include any donated campaign materials.
 - Any candidates exceeding the \$100 limit in the A.S. election shall be disqualified.
- Candidates' financial statements, including contributions, value donations, and expenditure receipts, shall be prepared by all candidates within two business days of the conclusion of the A.S. election and submitted to AS@fullcoll.edu by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19.
- Each candidate shall submit a separate finance statement by the designated deadline to avoid being issued a violation.
 - No elected candidate shall be sworn in or recognized as a senator until the financial statement form is submitted.

VIOLATIONS

- The A.S. Election Committee retains the right to withhold campaign publicity for violations of the Publicity Code or any stipulations of the A.S. Elections Code.
- There shall be only one violation allowed per A.S. candidate, with this violation presented in written form. The second violation shall result in the disqualification of the A.S. candidate from the A.S. election. The A.S. Election Committee retains the authority to disqualify the candidate.
- Candidates shall submit any appeals regarding election violations to the A.S. Election Committee by noon on Wednesday, April 20.
 - Candidate appeals shall be in writing. Each violation shall be appealed separately.
- The A.S. Election Committee shall review the written appeals and render a decision.

VIOLATIONS

- All A.S. Election Committee decisions shall be subject to one reconsideration by the A.S. Election Committee upon the request of the Student Senate. All final decisions of the A.S. Election Committee concerning election results shall be recognized as the final decision of the Associated Students.
- The election results shall not be revealed by the A.S. Election Committee prior to the result of the appeals process.
- This shall be followed by the Student Senate's vote to approve the A.S. election process.
- Any rules and procedures not specifically dealt within in the A.S. Election Code shall be referred to the A.S. Governing Documents, Operations and Procedures Manual, Finance Code, and to North Orange Community College District and Fullerton College policies and procedures.

SPRING ELECTION CALENDAR

- Tuesday, March 29: A.S. Elections application deadline, noon
- Monday, April 4: Candidate statements, photos, and/or video link/video due to AS@fullcoll.edu by noon
- Monday, March 28, to Sunday, April 17: Campaigning for A.S. Elections
- Wednesday, April 13, to Sunday, April 17: A.S. Elections voting
- Tuesday, April 19: Financial statements due to AS@fullcoll.edu by 5 p.m.

NEXT STEPS

- Complete and sign the Spring 2022 General Election Application; submit it to AS@fullcoll.edu by noon, Tuesday, March 29.
- Complete and sign the Fullerton College Image Release form; submit it to AS@fullcoll.edu by Monday, April 4, noon
- Begin getting the word out about your candidacy.
 - Submit your candidate statement, photo, and/or video link/video to AS@fullcoll.edu by Monday, April 4, noon
- Keep track of your campaign expenses and receipts to submit with your Financial Statement by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19. Failure to do so may render a candidate ineligible to serve.