## SGA Senate Elections

Nomination Petition 2019

**Required Material:** The following must be brought to the Student Government Association Office by Monday, November 11th, 2019, at 5pm. Special arrangements can be made if absolutely necessary by contacting <u>sgaelectionschair@wpi.edu</u>.

- ➤ 60-80 signatures of currently enrolled WPI undergraduate students
- ➤ Signed Agreement to SGA Campaign Regulations
- > Academic Release Form
- ➤ Eligibility Form
- A letter of candidacy 8-10 sentences long and a portrait oriented (1.5 unit height by 1 unit width) jpeg image must be emailed to sgaelectionschair@wpi.edu prior to 5PM EST on November 11th

Nominees that do not meet the regulations outlined above, as well as those outlined in the SGA Bylaws (see attached form), will not be included in this election process. The Elections Chair of the Student Government Association reserves the right to disqualify any candidate that does not fulfill the posted regulations, with or without notice to the nominee.

#### Information:

- ➤ Elected will be:
  - o 54 Senators

#### **Election Schedule:**

- ➤ Packets will be accepted from 9:00am October 28th to 5:00pm November 11th in the SGA Office or by email to sgaelectionschair@wpi.edu
- ➤ Campaigning may begin as soon as the packet has been received.
- ➤ Web Voting will begin at 8:00am on Monday, November 18th, and end at 5:00pm on Friday, November 22th. Voting will take place online at <a href="http://www.wpi.edu/+sgavote">http://www.wpi.edu/+sgavote</a>.
- Results will be announced in an email to all undergraduates.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Giulio Cataldo, SGA Elections Chair at <a href="mailto:sgaelectionschair@wpi.edu">sgaelectionschair@wpi.edu</a>.

## Academic Release Form 2019—SGA Senate Elections

In an effort to support the academic mission of WPI, the Student Government Association (SGA) Constitution mandates that only "members who are in good academic standing, as determined by Institute regulations, may hold elected or appointed offices." Institute regulations state that:

- The student must complete at least 4/3 units of work in two successive terms, including Military Science, Physical Education and Consortium courses.
- 2. The student must complete at least 8/3 units of work in four successive terms, including Military Science, Physical Education and Consortium courses.

Please indicate below if you authorize the Registrar's Office to release your name on a list intended to determine your academic

3. First-year students must have passed 2/3 units of work during A-term.

Signature	Date
indicating "no", I realize that I am waiving my right to be in the Stud	ent Government Association.
NO, I do not give the Registrar's Office permission to release my	
YES, I give permission for the Registrar's Office to release my nan	ne on a list indicating my eligibility status.
eligibility at the start of every term for serving on the WPI Undergradua	te Student Government Association.

WPI Box #

WPI ID Number

Printed Name

# Agreement to SGA Campaign Regulations

## From the SGA Bylaws, Title VIII, Article II, Section V

#### Section 5. Campaign Regulations

- A. Candidates should make every effort not to be in the same room as anyone who is voting.
- B. Candidates will make every effort to clean up or remove all of their campaign materials within three business days after the end of the election.
- C. All candidates will be respectful of other candidates. Negative Campaigning is strictly forbidden.
- D. All candidates must abide by any other regulations set forth by the Elections Chairperson outlined in Title 8, Section 6.
- E. Voters having issues (electronic or otherwise) can visit the Student Government office during business hours to receive help and utilize Campus Center computers.

For any questions on campaign policies and regulations please contact Elections Chairperson Giulio Cataldo at sgaelectionschair@wpi.edu

#### **Consent of Nominee:**

By signing this form, I hereby pledge to follow the SGA Campaign Regulations, as laid out in the SGA Bylaws and copied above. I realize that any violation of the Campaign Regulations is strictly prohibited. I give permission to the Elections Chair to evaluate the commission of any infraction and determine appropriate sanctions. Such sanction(s) may include, but are not limited to: public reprimand, reduction of votes, exclusion from the election in question, or invalidation of a victory.

Signature of Candidate	Date	

# Eligibility Form

By signing below, I certify that I meet the following criteria outlined by the SGA bylaws:

## Section 1. Eligibility

- A. Any undergraduate student seeking an Executive or Legislative office must be enrolled at Worcester Polytechnic Institute at the time of elections.
- **B.** All students seeking Executive Branch or Senate positions must be planning to fulfill their entire term of office (from C term, 2020, through B term, 2020) as a Worcester Polytechnic Institute undergraduate.
- C. No member of the Undergraduate Student Government Association shall hold more than one (1) Executive and/or Legislative office at a time, with the exception of those offices designated in the Constitution as "-elect".
- D. Undergraduate students seeking an Undergraduate Student Government Association office or a position on the Campus Hearing Board must be in good academic standing as determined by Worcester Polytechnic Institute regulations.
- E. Inactive Terms
  - **a.** Undergraduate students seeking Executive or Legislative office who are unable to attend a majority of the regularly scheduled Senate meetings during an academic term will be deemed inactive.
    - i. Prior to any given academic term, if a Senator knows they will miss a majority of Senate or appointed Project Meetings due to a recurring conflict, said Senator must do the following in order to be deemed "Half Inactive":
      - 1. Meet with the President to discuss expectations and responsibilities for that term
      - 2. Complete said expectations and responsibilities by the end of the term and report their completion to the Secretary
    - ii. During this situation, an Interim Senator will be appointed by the President and said "Half Inactive" Senator will have no voting power.
  - b. Candidates shall only be given one (1) inactive term or two (2) half inactive terms during their elected office.
  - **c.** During an inactive term, an Interim Senator shall be appointed by the President. Inactive Senators of the Undergraduate Student Government Association shall have no voting power.
- F. Questions concerning the eligibility of students remaining in or running for Undergraduate Student Government Association office along academic or behavioral guidelines will be answered by the Elections Chairperson according to the Worcester Polytechnic Institute Campus Code of Conduct.

Signature of Candidate					Date	
Inactive Terms: (If Applicable)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)		

# **Project Clusters**

What cluster would you be interested in serving on? Please check all the clusters that you are interested in.

Internal Affairs
- Responsible for facilitating campus wide elections and maintaining the SGA bylaws.
Continuous Improvements
- Responsible for evaluating the progress of the Undergraduate Student Government Association and supporting the
strategic plan at WPI.
Communication
- Responsible for formal communication through Undergraduate Student Government Association social media to
engage and inform the student body.
Academic Improvements
- Responsible for completing projects to improve the quality and content of academic programs and resources at WP
Student Life Improvements
- Responsible for improving student life by completing projects suggested by students.
Community Outreach
- Responsible for communicating and interacting with other organizations at WPI.
Appropriations
- Responsible for distributing funds to clubs and organizations at WPI.
Fiscal Responsibility and Assistance
- Responsible for maintaining financial integrity of clubs and organizations and acting as a resource to organizations
through the financial process.
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<ol> <li>Why would you like to be a Senator in WPI's Student Government Association?</li> <li>In your mind, what are the responsibilities of a senator?</li> </ol>

# Nomination Petition

We, the undersigned, hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the office of Student Government Association Senator.

	WPI Email address of candidate	<b>::</b>	
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