



CANDIDACY DECLARATION FORM

SUUSA Election 2018

Election Dates: Feb. 26 – March 2

Instructions: Please complete and return this form to the office of Student Involvement and Leadership [ST 177] located on the first floor of the Sharwan Smith Student Center. All Candidacy Declaration Forms are due **by Monday, February 5, 2018 at 5:00 PM.** All information supplied on this form should be honest and accurate. To confirm accuracy, the Office of Student of Involvement and Leadership will compare the information provided with each student’s academic and conduct record. If you have any questions regarding the form or the election process, please contact Keri Mecham, Director of Student Involvement and Leadership, at 435-865-8557 or mecham@suu.edu or Tyler Anderson, Assistant Director of Student Involvement, at 435-586-7764 or tanderson@suu.edu. Copies of the SUUSA Constitution and Elections Bylaws are available in the SUUSA Office and at <http://suu.edu/suusa/elections.html> for candidates to read.

Candidate Information

Name: _____ T Number: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Major(s): _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

For Office Use ONLY Received Date & Staff Initials
Standing: _____ GPA: _____
Credit hours: _____
STIL Staff Initials: _____

Ballot Information

Name as it will appear on the ballot

Candidate’s Name	Party Affiliation (Optional)
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Declared Office:

Executive Offices: SUUSA President, Vice President of Academics, Vice President of Clubs and Organizations, Vice President of Finance

Senate Offices: Humanities & Social Sciences [HSS], Education [EDU], Science & Engineering [CoSE], Performing & Visual Arts [PVA], Business [BUS], and Graduate School [GRAD], Upper Division Senator [Junior or Senior], Lower Division Senator [Freshman or Sophomore]

Students seeking elected or appointed offices in the Southern Utah University Student Association must be willing to fulfill the following requirements. Please initial next to each number after you've read each section to acknowledge you've read the section and commit to the following requirements:

___ (1) Must meet the eligibility requirements laid out in the SUUSA Constitution:

SECTION 2: In order to be eligible to apply for an appointed position, run for an elected office, and/or hold and maintain any elected or appointed position or office within SUUSA Student Government, an individual shall:

- A. Be matriculated as a student at SUU;
- B. Subject to the provisions in the SUUSA Governance Bylaws, be enrolled in and complete at all times a minimum of twelve [12] semester hours as an Undergraduate student or nine [9] semester hours as graduate student;
- C. Possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 for senators and appointed positions and a 3.0 for Executive Council on a 4.0 scale to apply for and/or run for an elected or appointed position. During the academic year he/she is in office, elected and appointed officials shall maintain a 2.75 for senators and a 3.0 for Executive Council minimum semester GPA.
- D. Must be in good standing with University Conduct.

___ (2) Must meet Candidate Eligibility Requirements laid out in the SUUSA Election Bylaws:

Article III-Candidate Procedures

Section 1: Candidate Eligibility

- A. A student must meet the requirements for office as outlined in the SUUSA Constitution (Article II, Section 2) to be considered for candidacy.
- B. Candidates must read all Election Bylaws and the SUUSA Constitution prior to running.
- C. Candidates running for an Academic Senator must be enrolled in the college or school they seek to represent before they declare candidacy, and Class Senators, according to year and not credits, must be a freshman/sophomore or junior/senior by the academic year they will be voted into office.
- D. Candidates running for Graduate Senate must prove they have applied to a graduate program in order to run for the position. If they are not accepted into a Graduate program prior to the start of Fall semester the candidate will not be eligible for their position. The runner-up in the election will then be offered the position as long as they have applied/been accepted into a graduate program.

___ (3) SUUSA candidates/parties cannot be affiliated in any way or run with any SPB President candidate and can only provide and/or seek a verbal endorsement from an SPB candidate.

___ (4) Students who are elected or appointed to office may not participate in other activities or leadership positions that prevent them from attending retreats, regularly scheduled meetings, and SUUSA events and activities.

___ (5) Attend the Spring SUUSA Retreat April 13-14, Utah Leadership Academy May 15-18 and SUUSA Summer Retreats August 16-18, Winter Retreat January 4-5, 2019 and Inauguration April 20 at 6:00 pm. Executive Council will have an additional transition retreat March 30.

___ (6) Students elected to an Executive Office must reside in Cedar City during the summer (May-August)

___ (7) Must attend STIL Leadership Speaker series twice a semester and any other required trainings during the academic year

___ (8) Must meet with the Staff Advisor and the person currently in the position they are running for (unless that person is running for the same position) before the Candidacy Declaration Form Due Date.

I have read the Candidacy Declaration Form, SUUSA Constitution, and SUUSA Election Bylaws and agree to abide by the rules and provisions stated in those documents. I also give my permission to the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership to review my academic record for the purpose of confirming my eligibility.

Candidate's Signature

STIL Staff

Information Sessions:

SUUSA Leader

January 17 from 11:30am-1:00pm and February 1 from 5:00-6:00pm in ST172D

Candidacy Form due on **February 5 by 5 pm** in ST 177

Mandatory Candidate Meetings: 2/7 12:00-1:00pm in Sterling Church Auditorium

2/14 12:00-1:00pm in Sterling Church Auditorium