FLINDERS UNIVERSITY STUDENT ASSOCIATION

ELECTION FOR THE STUDENT COUNCIL OF THE FLINDERS UNIVERSITY STUDENT ASSOCIATION

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Nominations are now invited from students for the following positions to hold office from 1 December 2015 to 30 November 2016.

Student Council

- Student President (one position)
- General Secretary (one position)
- Education Officer (one position)
- Welfare Officer (one position)
- Post Graduate Students Officer (one position)
- Indigenous Students Officer (one position)
- International Students Officer (one position)
- Women’s Officer (one position)
- Queer Officer (one position)
- Environment Officer (one position)
- Accessibility Officer (one position)
- Social Activities Officer (one position)
- General Council Members (six positions)

Eligibility

1. For the purposes of this election, the candidate and seconder must be a student as defined by the Flinders University Student Association Election Regulations i.e. – “Student means any currently enrolled student of the University, who is enrolled as a full-time, part-time or external student as defined by the University. “As defined by the University” is a composite of the University Council definitions of: ‘Postgraduate Student’; ‘Undergraduate Student’ and ‘current enrolment’. Non-award students are not included within this definition.

2. Student Council positions have specific eligibility requirements for the above positions. These are set out in the table below.

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<th>Name of position</th>
<th>Eligibility of candidate</th>
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<td>Post Graduate Students Officer</td>
<td>Only students who are enrolled as a Post Graduate student</td>
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<td>Indigenous Students Officer</td>
<td>Only students who identify as Indigenous/Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander</td>
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3. As per the Flinders University Student Association Constitution, it is also required that **all Student Council members must be a member of the Student Association**. Candidates who are not members need to check the relevant box on the nomination form to become a member.

4. Candidates **must** submit a candidate statement of **no more than 300 words** (please see below).

**How to nominate**

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer (or nominee) at the Flinders University Student Association (Level 4 Engineering Building, Central Campus), no later than 5:00pm (Australian Central Standard Time) on Monday the 21st of September 2015. To avoid any possibility of nominations going astray in the internal or external mail, candidates are advised to deliver their nominations by hand. If this is not possible, please contact FUSA at fusa@flinders.edu.au to make alternative arrangements.

Nominations that have not been received at the Flinders University Student Association by the deadline will not be accepted. Nominations must be made in writing on the nomination form and must bear the signatures of the candidate and a seconder (who must be two different people), both of whom must be Flinders University Students (as per the above definition) and the written consent of the candidate to the nomination. **Only fully completed forms will be accepted.**

Candidates must submit a candidate statement of **not more than 300 words**. The candidate statement **must be attached to the nomination form and also be submitted via email** to fusa@flinders.edu.au by the close of nominations. Candidate statements must include the candidate’s name & position(s) nominated for and must be submitted in Word or other text editing format, addressed to the Returning Officer (only .doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt and .rtf will be accepted). Note that words in excess of 300 will be deleted. Candidates are strongly encouraged to email a **photo** of themselves to be used on election material provided to voters. This file should be in .jpeg format and should be sent with the candidate statement.

Candidates are encouraged to submit a separate candidate statement for each position they are nominating for if they are nominating for more than one position.

Hard copy nomination forms are available for collection from the Student Association, (Level 4 Engineering Building, Central Campus).

**Nomination for more than one position**

Candidates who nominate for more than one position on Student Council must state on the nomination form their order of choice for the position to which they wish to be elected should they be elected to more than one position. Once a candidate is elected to the position according to the stated order of choice, he/she will be excluded from the remaining position(s) to which they were elected.
Nominating as an Empire Times Editor

It is not permitted for a student to simultaneously be a member of the Flinders University Student Association Student Council and an Empire Times Editor. Therefore, **Candidates are not allowed to nominate for both a position on Student Council and as an Empire Times Editor.**

**Voting electronically**

If at the close of nominations, the number of candidates exceeds the number of positions to be filled, a ballot will be conducted. The ballot will be conducted electronically on the University’s website, commencing **at 9:00am (Australian Central Standard Time) on the 12th of October 2015 and closing at 3:00pm (Australian Central Standard Time) on the 15th of October 2015.**

Copies of the Flinders University Student Association Constitution and Election Regulations are available from the Student Association (Level 4 Engineering Building, Central Campus) or at [www.fusa.edu.au](http://www.fusa.edu.au). For further information about the Student Association, the positions and remunerations, please visit [www.fusa.edu.au](http://www.fusa.edu.au) or contact the Manager, Student Engagement, chris.ogrady@flinders.edu.au / 8201 2658.

Mary Heath
**Returning Officer**

7 September 2015
NOMINATION FORM

I, ..................................................................................... (Block letters) hereby nominate for the following positions (listed in order of preference). (Fill in only as many choices as positions you wish to nominate for):

First choice ...................................................................................

Second choice .............................................................................

Third choice ................................................................................

Fourth choice .............................................................................

Note: no individual is entitled to hold more than one Student Council position at any given time. Candidates who are nominating for more than one Student Council position must indicate their order of choice for election, should they be elected to more than one position. Candidates are not allowed to nominate for both a position on Student Council and as an Empire Times Editor.

NB: The Candidate and Seconder must be different people and be currently enrolled Flinders University Students according the definition in the FUSA Election Regulations.

Candidate details

Name of Candidate: .............................................................................. (Block letters)

Student Number: .................... Telephone number: .........................

Email: ..........................................................

I agree to become a member of the Student Association: ☐ (please check)

I consent to my nomination for the above position: ☐ (please check)

Signed: ................................................................. Date: ..................

Note: Only members of the Student Association may be a member of Student Council.

Seconder details

Name of Seconder: .............................................................................. (Block letters)

Student Number: .................... Telephone number: .........................

Signature of Seconder ........................................................................

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NOMINATIONS THAT ARE NOT RECEIVED IN THE FUSA OFFICE BY 5:00pm on the 21st of September 2015 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

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