



EDUCATION COUNCIL | Education Council Rules

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RULE 1: MEMBERS AND INVITEES

- (i)** The Members of Education Council shall consist of those persons laid down in Guild Regulation 9.9.3.1, namely:
 - (a)** the executive officers of the Education Council;
 - (b)** two ordinary committee members;
 - (c)** the Guild President;
 - (d)** the delegates of the Education Council's affiliated societies; and
 - (e)** a representative of each of the faculty societies to be elected from and by their respective annual general meetings.

- (ii)** The Standing Invitees of Education Council shall consist of those persons laid down in Guild Regulation 9.9.3.2, namely:
 - (a)** Immediate Past President of Education Council;
 - (b)** the Student Assist Officers;
 - (c)** the Senate Student Representatives;
 - (d)** the Women's Affairs Officer;
 - (e)** the Postgraduate Students' Association President;
 - (f)** the Environment Department Officer;
 - (g)** the International Students' Service Department Officer;
 - (h)** the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students' Department Officer;
 - (i)** the Queer Officers; and
 - (j)** the Welfare Officer.

- (iii)** Standing Invitees of Education Council, additional to those set down in Guild Regulation 9.9.3.2 shall include:
 - (a)** the Director of the Residential Students Department.
 - (b)** the VP (Coursework) of the Postgraduate Students' Association
 - (c)** the VP (Research) of the Postgraduate Students' Association.

- (iv)** In addition to the Standing Invitees laid down in Guild Regulation 9.9.3.2, the Education Council President may invite as an Occasional Invitee to any meeting any person whose presence would facilitate the transaction of any Education Council business.

- (v)** Education Council may extend a Standing Invitation, for the purposes of these Rules, to any Guild Representative through a Motion in accordance with these Rules.

RULE 2: THE EXECUTIVE AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

- (i)** The Education Council Executive shall be comprised of the executive officers of Education Council as prescribed by Regulations 9.2.1, namely the:

- (a) Education Council President;
 - (b) Education Council Vice-President;
 - (c) Education Council Secretary; and
 - (d) Education Council Treasurer.
- (ii) In addition to the specific duties laid out in Guild Regulations 9.4.1 - 9.4.4, the Education Council Executive shall be responsible for giving effect to the Role of Education Council (Regulation 9.9.1.1) and for the efficient organisation, administration and conduct of the activities and affairs of Education Council.
 - (iii) The Education Council President and Treasurer shall be responsible for distribution of the Faculty Society Grants line item of the Guild Budget in accordance with any Guidelines set by Education Council in accordance with Rule 6.
 - (iv) The Education Council Executive shall be responsible for providing a Budget to the Guild Finance and Planning Committee in accordance with Regulation 9.7.1.
 - (v) Subject to Guild Regulations, the Education Council Rules, and Guidelines or Motions passed by Education Council or Guild Council, the Education Council Executive may do all things necessary or convenient for carrying out the Roles of Education Council, and in particular may:
 - (a) Open and operate bank accounts;
 - (b) Co-ordinate and seek out sponsorship; and
 - (c) Enter into any contract they consider necessary or desirable;

RULE 3: FACULTY SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES

- (i) Anyone elected to the position of President of a Faculty Society shall be deemed to have been elected as a representative to Education Council from and by their respective Annual General Meeting for the purposes of Regulation 9.9.3.1(e) and Rule 1(i)(e).
- (ii) Notice in writing to the Secretary of Education Council from a member of a Faculty Society's executive is sufficient to appoint a proxy on behalf of that Faculty Society's representative, varying the Guild Standing Orders in accordance with Regulation 9.6.2.5.

RULE 4: AFFILIATED SOCIETY DELEGATES

- (i) Completion of an Office Bearers Form shall constitute sufficient evidence that an affiliated society's committee has appointed:
 - (a) their Education Vice-President (or equivalent) as their society's delegate for the purposes of Regulation 9.9.3.1(c) and Rule 1(i)(d).
 - (b) their Secretary (or equivalent) as their society's deputy delegate for the purposes of Regulation 9.9.3.1(c) and Rule 1(i)(d), to vote when their

delegate is absent in accordance with Regulation 9.4.7.

- (ii) Notice in writing to the Secretary of the Education Council from a member of the affiliated society's executive is sufficient evidence of a society appointing a substitute delegate for the purposes of Regulation 9.4.9.
- (iii) A substitute delegate must, at the time of the meeting, be eligible to be elected to that position under the affiliated society's constitution.
- (iv) A representative to Education Council may appoint any student as a substitute delegate more than once, provided they do not breach Rule 4(iii).

RULE 5: EDUCATION COUNCIL MEETINGS

- (i) Education Council shall conduct its meeting in accordance with the Standing Orders of Councils of the Guild unless otherwise varied by these Rules in accordance Regulation 9.6.2.5.
- (ii) Only the members of Education Council as laid down in regulation 9.9.3.1 of the Guild Regulations may vote at Education Council Meetings.
- (iii) The quorum for a meeting of the Education Council is two Executive Officers, and Members from at least two-thirds of the Faculty Societies.
- (iv) As a matter of convention, each Member and Standing Invitee of Education Council shall receive at least ten academic days of notice of every formal meeting of Education Council.
- (v) The passing of a procedural motion setting upcoming meeting dates will be sufficient to call, and provide notice of, those meetings for the purposes of Regulation 9.4.3.1(b) and Rule 5(iv).
- (vi) As a matter of convention, speaking rights shall be extended to all Standing and Occasional Invitees.
- (vii) As a matter of convention, motions must be:
 - (a) received by the Education Council Secretary no later than 8 days prior to a scheduled Education Council Meeting,
 - (b) circulated to Members, Standing Invitees and Occasional Invitees no later than 7 days prior to a scheduled Education Council Meeting.
- (viii) As a matter of convention, reports must be:
 - (a) submitted by the Guild President, Education Council President, Education Council Vice-President and each Faculty Society and Affiliated Society,
 - (b) received by the Education Council Secretary no later than 8 days prior to a scheduled Education Council Meeting.
 - (c) circulated to Members, Standing Invitees and Occasional Invitees no later

than 7 days prior to a scheduled Education Council Meeting, along with any previously submitted General Business.

- (ix) No proceedings or motions of Education Council shall be deemed invalid solely by reason of any Member or Invitee having failed to receive due notice under Rule 5.

RULE 6: GUIDELINES

- (i) The Education Council may pass by ordinary motion Guidelines on the Operation of Faculty Societies and Affiliated Societies.
- (ii) The Education Council may pass by ordinary motion Guidelines for any Guild Representative extended a Standing Invitation under Rule 1(v).
- (iii) The Education Council may pass by ordinary motion Guidelines for the distribution of the Faculty Society Grants line item of the Guild Budget among the Faculty Societies, subject to Rule 6(iv).
- (iv) Only current Members of Education Council Executive who do not hold office on a Faculty Society Committee may be extended a vote in any decision made under Faculty Society Grants Guidelines made under Rule 6(iii).
- (v) The Education Council may pass by ordinary motion Guidelines on the process by which the Awards of Best Faculty Society and Most Innovative Faculty Society are made, subject to Rule 6(v).
- (vi) Only current Members of Education Council who do not hold office on a Faculty Society Committee may be extended a vote in any decision made under Faculty Society Awards Guidelines made under Rule 6(iv).

RULE 7: EDUCATION ACTION NETWORK

- (i) The Education Council Campaigns Committee shall be known as the Education Action Network (henceforth EAN) in accordance with Regulation 9.9.5.1.
- (ii) The EAN comprises:
 - (a) The Education Council Vice-President, acting as Chair, or their nominee;
 - (b) The Education Council President; and
 - (c) Any interested Guild members,in accordance with Regulations 9.9.4.1 and 9.9.5.3.
- (iii) The EAN shall be responsible for implementing the policy of Education Council under Regulations 9.9.1.1 and 9.9.5.3 and Guild Policy under Regulation 3.2, subject to directing motions of Education Council and Guild Council.

- (iv) The quorum for a meeting of the EAN is one of the Education Council Executive, and five Guild members.
- (v) As a matter of convention, notice of EAN meetings will be posted on the Guild notice board at least five week days before each meeting.
- (vi) EAN motions shall be passed by simple majority, where each natural person listed in Rule 7(ii) may hold a maximum of one vote, including expenditure from the Campaigns line item of the Education Council budget.
- (vii) EAN motions may be put into effect two week days after notice of the decision is given to Members of both Guild Council and Education Council. If, in the course of two week days, any Guild Council or Education Council member objects in writing to any item, the item will be laid aside for discussion at Guild Council or Education Council as appropriate.

RULE 8: FACULTY SOCIETIES AND AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

- (i) Faculty Societies are those listed in Regulation 13.1.2, or their successors, and any additional Faculty Societies registered with the Guild under Regulation 13.1.1
- (ii) Faculty Societies shall uphold their roles and duties as laid out in Guidelines made under Rule 6(i).
- (iii) Faculty Societies shall be considered Affiliated Societies for the purposes of Regulation 9.9.3.1(c) and these Rules.