

Elections Committee Overview

Committee Membership:

1. Six Sabbatical Officers (unless running for re-election)
2. Three SRC Nominees
3. Three SSC Nominees
4. 1 Senior Academic Representative - Arts/Divinity
5. 1 Senior Academic Representative - Science/Medicine
6. 1 Representative of the Athletic Union
7. 1 Postgraduate Student
8. 2 subcommittee executive members
9. 4 further members external to the Association Councils, of which at least one should be a first year

Committee Roles:

Senior Elections Officer (SEO): The Director of Wellbeing is the Senior Elections Officer unless there are circumstances preventing this. They oversee all aspects of the election and lead on matters involving discipline.

Deputy Senior Elections Officer (DSEO): The DSEOs are the leads on areas of elections (Events, Administration, Volunteers, and Publicity). They will oversee the function of their areas and delegate to the rest of the committee. They will be co-opted from existing members of the Elections Committee on the first meeting. Choosing to be a DSEO will be a larger responsibility than joining as an ordinary member.

DSEO Events: Responsibilities include organizing the elections events. In the case of the 2021 elections, all events will be run virtually and they must be willing to adhere to Covid guidelines.

DSEO Administration: Responsibilities include ensuring accurate records are kept for Elections Committee and Discipline meetings, as well as organization of the SAelect@inbox.

DSEO Volunteers: Responsibilities include the operation of the virtual elections office, coordinating members of the committee, and assisting in delegation for other DSEOs.

DSEO Publicity: Responsibilities include publicising all aspects of the Election, including nominations and voting, as well as managing the social media pages.

General Members: The other members of the committee will be assisting the DSEOs when needed and periodically staffing the virtual elections office, meaning they will be monitoring the Facebook page, email, and campaign team group chats. The General Members will also be expected to promote the election through social media.

Time Commitment:

Each day during the 12-day election period, members of the Elections Committee will have at least a one-hour shift in the virtual elections office monitoring emails and media. Some shifts will be busier than others, but it is easy to do other work or reading whilst on shift as well. The DSEOs will have larger time commitments in organizing their respective areas, and general members will be expected to help out when available.