

## 2019/20 SRC ELECTIONS

### NOMINATION FORM

# NB: please use black ink

I hereby nominate		(full official names)
student number	to stand for SRC.	
Nominator	(full official names) student number	rsignature
nomination as a 2019/20 Durban U	udent No	didate. I do understand the
Signature	(nominee)	

#### **Nomination Guidelines**

- 1. This form is the only recognized means of nominations.
- 2. A candidate need only be nominated once.
- Any registered Student who has been so registered for at least one semester, for a formal programme of study recognised by the Senate shall be eligible to stand for election.
- Only students who have passed by at least 50% ALL subjects registered for from the previous year may stand for elections.
- 5. The nominee and the seconders are to sign the form themselves.
- This form is to be submitted at the Student Governance and Development Department/Student Life not later than <u>07 August 2019 at 12:00 midday</u>.
- The form is to be accompanied by copy of student card or proof of registration with ID as well as a MANIFESTO not exceeding 250 words.
- 8. Successful nominee to present themselves on a <u>predetermined date</u> by the DUT Electoral Commission for a manifesto video recording to be uploaded on the DUT Elections 2019 Website
- 9. Every nomination form MUST be accompanied by a minimum of twenty (20) seconders, who must be registered DUT students.
- 10. Failure to comply with these guidelines will render the nomination invalid.
- 11. This nomination form **MUST** be returned by either the nominator or nominee.
- 12. The Electoral Commission shall determine the method / pattern to be used for counting and as a candidate I agree that I will abide by decisions made by the Electoral Commission.

#### **SECONDERS TO THE NOMINATION**

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#### **ISSUED BY ELECTORAL COMMISSION**

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE READ AND SIGNED THE CODE OF CONDUCT OVERLEAF

#### CODE OF CONDUCT

#### **DUT SRC ELECTIONS**

#### **Preamble**

During an election period, it is important that all those involved play by the same rules. Such rules become imperative if one wishes to conduct a free and fair election. The Electoral Commission (EC) has prescribed an Electoral Code of Conduct, as well as prohibited conduct that applies to SRC Election (not withstanding other provisions of the SRC constitution and Institutional prerequisites)

The Electoral Code of Conduct applies to every individual contesting the elections.

#### I. Purpose of the Code

- The purpose of this code is to promote conditions that are conducive to free and fair elections, including:-
  - (i) Tolerance of democratic activity and
  - (ii) Free campaigning and open public debate.

#### 2. Promotion of the Code

- a) Every candidate must :-
  - (i) promote the purpose of the Code when electioneering
  - (ii) publicise the Code widely in any election campaign and
  - (iii) Promote and support efforts in terms of this code to educate

# 3. Compliance with the Code and Institutional Regulations

- a) Every individual must
  - (i) Comply with the letter and spirit of the code
  - (ii) This code not only applies to individuals contesting elections, but also extends to their supporters.

#### 4. Public Commitment

- a) Every individual must:-
  - (i) Publicly acknowledge that everyone has the right:-
  - (ii) to freely express their beliefs and opinions
  - (iii) To challenge and debate the beliefs and opinions of others

- (iv) To publish and distribute any election and campaign materials, including notices and advertisements.
- (v) To lawfully erect banners, billboards, placards and posters, except within the demarcated area of voting stations and places prohibited by the university regulations.
- (vi) To canvass support for any candidate.
- (vii) To hold public meetings.
- (viii) Publicly condemn any actions that undermine the free and fair conduct of the elections.
- (ix) Every individual must accept the result of an election or alternatively challenge the results within the framework of the SRC Electoral Policy.
- (x) Objections will be entertained by the Chief Electoral Officer and the presiding officers whose authority shall have the final and binding say on matter.

#### 5. Role of the Candidate

- a) Every candidate must:-
  - recognize the authority of the Commission in the conduct of the election
  - (ii) assure the voters of the commission's impartiality
  - give effect to any lawful direction or instruction of the Commission or officer of the Commission or the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO)
  - (iv) Establish and maintain effective lines of contesting the election.
  - (v) Co-operate in any investigation of the Commission.
  - (vi) Avail themselves for the purposes of Manifesto Presentations unless legitimate reasons prevail in which case an apology is to be tendered.

#### 6. Prohibited Conduct

- a) No individual may:
  - i) Use language or act in a way that may:-
  - (ii) promote violence during any election campaigning,
  - (iii) Intimidate candidates or voters.
  - Publish false or defamatory allegations in connection with the election in respect of any candidate

- (v) Discriminate on the grounds of race, ethnicity, gender, class or religion in connection with the elections.
- b) No person may offer inducement or reward to another person
  - (i) To attend or not attend a public meeting,
  - To refuse nomination as a candidate or to withdraw as a candidate.
  - (iii) To carry or display arms or weapons
  - To unreasonably prevent any other person access to voters for the purpose of voter education, recruitment or canvassing support for a candidate.
  - (v) To deface or unlawfully remove or destroy placards, posters or any other election materials of another candidate.
  - (vi) To abuse a position of power, privilege to influence the conduct or outcome of an election.

#### 7. Offences and penalties

- Any person who contravenes the provisions of this Code, after having signed and agreed to it is guilty of an offence.
- The Commission has the power to investigate, adjudicate and mete out any appropriate censure to the guilty / offending individual/s. The Commission's decision is final and binding.
- c) I fully understand and bind myself to the provisions of the Code of Conduct.

SIGNED at	on	2019
Print Full Name		
Cell No		
Email		
Signature		