

SSMU Referendum Nomination Kit

Winter 2020 Elections

Winter 2019





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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for submitting your questions to the SSMU Winter Referendum! Please make sure to read all the information in this package and fill out all the necessary forms.

Should you wish to meet with us in person to discuss about your campaign, please feel free to stop by and chat with us! You can book an appointment via email at through elections@ssmu.ca.

You can ask us any questions you may have about the election process or just come on by and chat with us if you're unsure about running. If you have any comments or queries, please don't hesitate to contact us via email at elections@ssmu.ca or deo@ssmu.ca.

Thank you and good luck!

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Chief Electoral Officer
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Deputy Electoral Officer
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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Compose your referendum question and **obtain permission from Elections SSMU** to run it.
2. Collect signatures from at least **100 members of the SSMU** who wish to support placing your referendum question on the ballot, by asking them to fill out the enclosed nomination form. **No more than 30% of the signatures may be from students from the same faculty.** Please make sure signatures are eligible and include name, student ID, and faculty/year. We are very strict about this, and will remove entries with incomplete information. (*Note: you might want to include extra signatures to ensure all of the required ones are valid)
3. Submit this completed kit any time before **10:00PM on Thursday, March 12th, 2020** both physically and electronically. Physically: please hand in your package to the front desk receptionist of the SSMU Offices, located at 3600 McTavish in the University Centre (can be accessed through the Brown Building). Electronic: Please submit a scanned copy of each page of the nomination kit as **1 attachment** to elections@ssmu.ca.

Late forms will be rejected without appeal, and physical packages will not be accepted under the door if the SSMU Offices are closed.

4. We'll send you a confirmation email once we've received your kit. If you do not receive a confirmation email within a reasonable amount of time, your packet may not have been received. If this should occur, please email elections@ssmu.ca. You might want to keep a photocopy of this kit for your personal records before handing it in.
5. Elections SSMU requires that the conduct of all candidates respect the Constitution and By-laws of the SSMU. The officers of Elections SSMU are specially charged to maintain good electoral decorum and enforce campaign violation regulations. Please read the electoral by-laws and relevant constitution articles which can be found at: <http://ssmu.ca/governance/constitution-internal-regulations-policies/>
6. Attend the **mandatory** Committee Chairs' meeting on **Monday, March 16th, 2020 at 6 p.m.** (location TBA). At this meeting, you will get a chance to meet the Elections SSMU Officers and fellow Committee Chairs, and find out how the election works. More importantly, we will explain the Elections By-Laws, as well as the rules, procedures and possible sanctions that are applicable. Please contact Elections SSMU as soon as possible ASAP if you cannot make it to this meeting.



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7. Campaign exclusively during the Campaign Period: **Tuesday, March 17th at 9:00AM - Friday, March 27th, 2020 at 5 p.m.**
8. **Pensketches** for YES/NO Campaign Committees are limited to 150 words in English and 200 words in French. Due on **Monday, March 16th @11:59PM.**
9. **To form a “YES” or “NO” Campaign Committee:** You must create a document (Excel, Google Sheets preferable) with a clear statement of the referendum question and an indication that you are forming the “YES” or “NO” committee at the top of each page. You must provide at least 10 names (exclusively SSMU members) with their Email, ID#, Faculty, and Phone #. You must send this in for approval by Elections SSMU prior to the start of campaigning.

Recap of Important Dates to Remember:

- **Nomination Period for Student Initiated Questions**
Monday, Jan. 6th - Thursday, Mar. 12th, 10PM
- **Meeting for Committee Chairs**
Monday, Mar. 16th, 6PM (SSMU Boardroom)
- **Campaign Period**
Tuesday, Mar. 17th - Friday, Mar. 27th, 5PM

** Please be aware that campaigning can only be done during the campaign period. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification.*

- **Polling Period**
Tuesday Mar. 24th, 9AM - Friday Mar. 27th at 5PM
- **Announcement of results** (via Elections SSMU website and Facebook)
As soon as results are verified on Friday Mar. 27th



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Personal Information

Name: _____

Faculty and Year: _____ Student ID #: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: (_____) _____ - _____ Email: _____

I have read and completed all of the steps provided in the instructions of this kit:

Signature

Date



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