

How to Run for Elections

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1. *How do I run for a position?*

If you want to run for a position reach out to your SGA Secretary for questions, attend the Q&A session after Senate, and refer to your Hollins emails about important dates regarding speeches, Candidate Tea, deadlines, and the official day for campus wide voting.

2. *Are there any meetings I need to attend?*

The only meeting that is required by all candidates to attend is called Candidate Tea. Candidate Tea takes place on the Friday before elections happen. This is a mandatory meeting where candidates will sign agreements to abide by election rules and procedure. If a candidate cannot attend Candidate Tea, then it is up to them to meeting with the SGA Secretary to review election procedure. Failure to attend Candidate Tea or to meet with SGA Secretary will lead to candidate being removed from the election and ballots.

3. *What are the rules/ conduct of candidates during the election?*

- There will be NO negative campaigning including remarks, postings, and mass disseminations of clearly negative language about a candidate.
- No other online social or mobile social networking platforms may be used besides ONE Facebook group page.
 - Candidates are allowed to make a group page via Facebook and invite members of the Hollins Community, the SGA Secretary MUST be listed as and admin to said page.
 - Candidates are NOT allowed to create Facebook group page until after Candidate Tea or meeting with SGA Secretary.
- Mass emails and text messages are NOT permitted
- Candidates' flyers will be hung in the Post Office, Turner, Pleasants, the VAC, Dana, the Library, outside the SGA Office, and on the SGA Column in Moody. Candidates' posters will be hung in Moody lobby. Candidates' statements will be posted on the SGA Column in Moody, as well as on the SGA Facebook Page. Candidates' Slides will be submitted to appear on Channel 3 during the week of elections.
- Candidates are allowed to be interviewed by campus media outlets only if the interview has been pre-approved by the SGA Secretary.
 - The opportunity must also be available to all other candidates.
- Candidates are not allowed to post any physical campaign materials around campus.

4. *What materials are due for running as a candidate in an election?*

- 10 flyers, standard paper size
- A PowerPoint slide for HUTV
- 1 poster, no larger than half a standard poster board
- A candidate statement (hard copy and electronic) with a photo

5. *Can I run for two positions at one time?*

No. Once elections are over you are allowed to run for a new position during the next election or you can apply through Appointment Board.

6. *Can I run split ticket?*

Yes, but it has to be for two different candidates during the Fall and Spring Semesters.