

# STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

# Statutes

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## Title 1 Introduction to SGA Statutes

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## 100. System of Student Government Association (SGA) Statutes

### 100.1. Objective

100.1.1. This chapter serves to outline the structure and jurisdiction of the Student Government Association statutes.

### 100.2. Structure

100.2.1. These statutes shall be organized into titles and chapters, which may then be further subdivided via a decimal system.

### 100.3. Jurisdiction

100.3.1. These statutes shall describe and identify Student Government Association entities, processes, and procedures.

100.3.2. Student Government Association statutes shall not conflict with any Federal laws, State laws, University policies, or the SGA Constitution.



# 101. Amendments to the Student Government Association Statutes

- 101.1. Objective
  - 101.1.1. This Chapter outlines procedures for amending and maintaining SGA Statutes
- 101.2. Amendments
  - 101.2.1. An amendment to any part of the SGA Statutes may be proposed in the form of a Statutory Bill to the SGA Senate.
  - 101.2.2. A Statutory Bill that is passed by the Senate shall become an act upon the approval of the Student Body President or upon a successful override of a Presidential Veto.
- 101.3. Distribution
  - 101.3.1. All Acts shall be distributed by the Senate President Pro Tempore via hand-delivery to all leaders of the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches within five (5) business days of their successful passage through the legislative process.
- 101.4. Upkeep
  - 101.4.1. There shall be an official record of current and past SGA statutes that is compiled, maintained, and published by the Officer of Standards and Enforcement.
  - 101.4.2. This official record shall include all statutory amendments presented to the Senate.



## 102. Enforcement of the Student Government Association Statutes

### 102.1. Enforcement

- 102.1.1. These statutes shall be applicable to and enforceable upon officers and associated officers of the Student Government Association and entities described within these statutes.



## 103. Symbols

- 103.1. The official SGA logo will be the logo that is used by the majority of SGA at any point in time.
- 103.2. The official SGA seal will be the seal that is used by the majority of SGA at any point in time.



## 104. Definitions of Terms in the Student Government Association

### Statutes

- 104.1. Objective
- 104.1.1. This chapter serves to define acronyms and terms used throughout these statutes that would otherwise be unclear or ambiguous.
- 104.2. **A&S Fee:** The activity and service fee, established by Florida law, and allocated by the legislative branch towards activities and services.
- 104.3. **Academic Semester:** The Florida Polytechnic University Fall, Spring, Summer A, Summer B, or Summer C semester.
- 104.4. **Bill:** An allocation or an amendment to SGA statutes that has been sent to the Legislative Branch that has not fully gone through the legislative process.
- 104.5. **Business Day:** An entire weekday (Monday through Friday), starting at 9 AM and ending at 5 PM, and excluding any days in which classes are not being held.
- 104.6. **Due Process:** The conduct of any proceeding wherein there is fair treatment to all parties involved.
- 104.7. **Officers:** Any person that is a member of a body by virtue of their position.
- 104.8. **SGA Affiliate:** Any person that is a member of a body associated with SGA by virtue of their position. As defined by the Constitution
- 104.9. **Fiscal Year:** The year starting on July 1st and ending on June 30th.
- 104.10. **General Body Meeting:** Meetings as defined by SOP, Handbook, Statute of any respective body.
- 104.11. **Majority:** More than half.
- 104.12. **Majority Vote:** The affirmative vote of the majority of the present voting members.
- 104.13. **On Campus:** Defined by any property or facility owned or operated by Florida Polytechnic University.
- 104.14. **Quorum:** The presence of at least one-third (1/3) of a body's total number of voting members, except where specified otherwise in a more restrictive manner.
- 104.15. **SGA Constitution:** The Constitution of the Student Body of Florida Polytechnic University.
- 104.16. **SGA:** Student Government Association.
- 104.17. **SGA Official (Student Body Official):** Any member of SGA who is elected by the Student Body or confirmed by the Senate.
- 104.18. **SGA Term:** The period of time an SGA Official serves in their respective office.
- 104.19. **Student Government:** Student Government Association.
- 104.20. **Standard Operating Procedure (SOP):** A document detailing the inner workings of an SGA entity.
- 104.21. **Student Body:** All enrolled students of Florida Polytechnic University.
- 104.22. **Supermajority Vote:** The affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the entire body of voting members.
- 104.23. **Exclusionary Position:** An exclusionary position is one that must be held exclusive from all other exclusionary positions within a student government.