

Senator Petition

Dear Candidate,

Congratulations to you for stepping up to play an active role in the leadership of your student body. The following packet contains a list of instructions and important dates for successful completion of your executive board application. Please read all information carefully, and direct any questions to the SGA office at Ext. 1361, Student Affairs at Ext. 1182, or our email at sga@fmarion.edu.

The SGA provides students an opportunity to become involved in the campus community, volunteer on campus and/or for the surrounding community, plan events, provide funding to student organizations, suggest or fund campus improvements, and provide official suggestions to the University in various areas concerning students.

The Senate consists of twenty-five (25) elected Senators, with five (5) seats reserved for first-year students. We encourage you to express your interests and ideas to the elected student leaders that are actively involved in the association through elections, meetings, and committees. Most importantly, we encourage you to speak up and let your voice be heard in the FMU student community. Good luck!

Best wishes,
SGA Executive Board

Petition Instructions:

1. Have the petition signed by students of Francis Marion University.
2. Fill out the candidate information completely.
3. Sign and date every page of the application, including the Election Rules and Regulations page.

Petitions must be submitted no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, March 11, 2009 in the Smith University Center, Room 205.

Petition Requirements:

- Senators must be students of Francis Marion University.
- Senators must have a minimum cumulative 2.0 Grade Point Average.
- Senators must be in good standing with the University.
- Senators shall hold no other elected or appointed office or position within the Executive or Judicial branches of the SGA, excluding appointments to special committees within and of the SGA that may at times be created for defined purposes for a specific, limited time.

Elections:

- Students participating in the SGA election process must read, sign, and return Election Rules and Regulations.
- Candidates also understand any violation of election rules forfeit their right to remain an SGA Senatorial Candidate.

**SGA Spring Elections will be held on:
Tuesday, April 6, 2009 @ the Grille
Wednesday, April 7, 2009 Breezeway of FH and CEMC
Time: 10 am to 4 pm**

If you have any questions, please contact the SGA office at Ext. 1361 or Student Affairs at Ext. 1182.

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CANDIDATE'S FULL NAME (please print)

We, the undersigned, being full-time (12 academic hours) students of Francis Marion University, do hereby nominate this candidate to the above office of the Student Government Association.

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I do hereby signify that I understand the requirements of the office I am seeking, and if elected, I will fulfill these requirements to the best of my ability.

CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE

DATE

*Please detach this sheet
and keep as a reminder of
the policies enforced during
elections.*

ELECTION RULES AND REGULATION

- No campaign materials (posters, flyers buttons, etc.) are to be present within fifty (50) feet of the voting booth. All posters should be moved to an area more than fifty (50) feet away.
- No verbal campaigning is to take place within fifty (50) feet of the voting booth. This includes both positive and negative campaigning. Any student who is heard supporting or discouraging the election of any candidate should be asked to leave the area or to cease activity. NO preferential treatment is to be given to any candidate in the voting area. The penalty for violating these rules shall be decided by the SGA Judicial Council and/or Dean of Students.
- Candidates may enter the fifty (50) feet “no-campaigning zone only to vote. A candidate may not view the roll of those who have voted until such a time as the elections are officially over.
- All candidates shall sign and be given a copy of this order no later than one (1) working day after the deadline of petitions has expired.

**I do hereby signify that I understand the Student Government
Association election campaigning policy.**

SIGNATURE

DATE