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Student Union Association Regulations

**For non-profit associations with Student Union status within the Stockholm
University Student Union**

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Introduction to student union regulations

The purpose of these regulations is to outline the basic requirements for active students at Stockholm University to form student associations and take part in Student Union services at Stockholm University, while at the same time ensuring that SUS' fundamental values of democracy and equal treatment are maintained in the associations' operations.

The regulations for student union associations are adopted by the Student Union's Board. In addition to this, the document *Service and Conditions for Student Union Associations* provides detailed rules for registration, borrowing facilities, obtaining financial support, etc. These are adopted by the responsible official at SUS office.

Chapter 1 Bylaws for SUS student associations

Sec. 1:1 Obtaining and maintaining the status as a student union association via SUS

An association has the right to apply to obtain or maintain the status of a student union association at SUS in accordance with bylaw Secs. 1:1–1:7.

A student union political party that is registered in accordance with SUS election regulations cannot be registered as a union association.

The association must have at least three members who are ordinary members of SUS.

Sec. 1:2 Association's activity and purpose

In terms of organisation and operations, student union associations are independent from SUS with the exceptions listed in this regulation.

The association's activities shall be geared toward students at Stockholm University. The association shall be open to all students at Stockholm University who wish to promote the mission of the association.

The purpose of the association must be consistent with the objectives of the Student Union to monitor and participate in the development of education and conditions for studying at Stockholm University. The association shall protect, promote, and safeguard the interests of its members and promote good fellowship. The association must be democratically structured and respect people's equal rights and values. The democratic basis means that the associations are governed by the members and that the annual meeting is the association's highest decision-making body. The work and activities of the association are stated in the bylaws, which are adopted at the annual meeting.

Sec. 1:3 Association bylaws

The association shall have its own bylaws in which the purpose of the association and the members' authority over the affairs of the association shall be established. SUS will assist with the proposed bylaws, if requested.

Changes to the association bylaws shall be made during a democratic association meeting, and SUS shall be notified of this.

Sec. 1:4 Association contact person

The association shall have a designated contact person for SUS. This person reports to SUS with respect to the association's compliance with the bylaws, general rules and provisions, and the terms and conditions that SUS has regarding the right to services. The contact person must be a member of SUS.

The association shall provide an annual report regarding who they have appointed as the contact person in connection with re-registration. Each time the association changes its contact person, SUS shall be notified with new contact information. The information shall be provided to SUS in writing.

These rules also apply to student political parties.

Sec. 1:5 Equality

The association must be structured democratically and may not discriminate against or harass anyone on grounds of sex, ethnicity, religion or other belief, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, or disability.

The association must not subject members to sexual harassment. As far as possible, the activities of the association should be made available to all students based on the above.

Sec. 1:6 Expulsion of a student association

Student associations that do not comply with bylaws 1:2–1:5 will lose their status as a student union association. Decisions regarding expulsion shall be made by the Presidium on the recommendation of the responsible official.

Sec. 1:7 Service and conditions for student association activities

The right of student associations to financial support, facilities, and other benefits is specifically regulated. All changes to these guidelines must be communicated to the student associations.

Chapter 2 General provisions for the registration of student associations

About registration

New registration is required for an association to receive status as a student union association. In order for an association to retain its status as a student union association, re-registration is required.

Sec. 2:1 New registration

The application to become a student union association is handled and decided by special advisors.

Approved applications shall be submitted to the Student Union Board on a quarterly basis for registration. An association whose application has been rejected has the right to appeal the decision to the Student Union Board.

Associations that comply with the relevant statutes of the student union association regulations and provide SUS with the required documents have the right to obtain the status of a student union association and the services that this entails.

Sec. 2:2 Re-registration

In order for an association to retain its status as a student union association, re-registration is required. The processing and re-registration decisions are made by special advisors. Re-registration shall take place annually.

In cases where the student association is newly registered or re-registered within six months, re-registration is not required for the next term. A student association can apply for re-registration during the autumn term if it is in accordance with the time of their annual meeting or if there are other special reasons.