

Students' Association Council

By-Election Information Package

Please submit your completed Nomination Package (all 4 parts) to the ACCSA Office (Room 413 on Victoria Ave), or scan & email to maym2@assiniboine.net no later than **Monday, January 11th 2020 @ 4:00pm**

What is the ACCSA?

The Assiniboine Community College Students' Association (ACCSA) is a not-for-profit organization. Our mission is to encourage student success by being the voice of our students while enhancing the student life experience through services, events and student supports. We exist to serve you, our students, and work hard to ensure your ACC experience is the best it can be!

The vision of the ACCSA is to create an environment for students to excel. In order to achieve these objectives, the ACCSA strives to:

- Represent the student community with one voice
- Support student needs and offer guidance
- Promote student success through teamwork and involvement
- Provide a unique student experience

What is the Students' Association Council?



The ACCSA is run by a Board of Directors called the Students' Association Council, which is made up of 17 elected students who work together to decide how best to bring services, events and support to the ACC student body. We hold an election every year to find students to bring forth different perspectives from throughout the college and engage the student body. These Council Members meet on a bi-weekly basis and work with college representatives on important initiatives that matter to you all while earning an honorarium and getting real workplace experience!

The ACCSA is a great opportunity for students to get involved and make some key connections within their college community and the business community as well. Who could ask for a better, more flexible opportunity than getting paid to represent your classmates on initiatives and events that matter to you?

How to Run for Student Association Council

Step 1 | Complete all 4 parts of the Nomination Package, and submit it to the ACCSA Office or by email at maym2@assiniboine.net, no later than January 8th at 4:00pm.

Step 2 | Once your Nomination Package is received and approved (approval will be via your ACC Email Address no later than 48 hours after submission), you will be required to attend the All Candidates Meeting on Tuesday, January 12th at 4:30pm, which will be held virtually on Microsoft Teams. **This meeting is MANDATORY.**

Step 3 | Once the All Candidates Meeting is finished, the Campaign Period will begin, and all candidates are encouraged to campaign to the student body.

Recommended Skills for Elected Student Representatives:

- Strong communication skills
- Effective problem solving skills
- A team based attitude
- Interest in committee participation
- Initiative, compassion, and adaptability
- Project planning abilities
- Leadership skills



General Eligibility

Students must meet the following requirements before being allowed to run in the General Election for the Students' Association Council:

- Be registered as full time students on your respective campus
- Must not have previously served 2 consecutive terms on council as an Executive Member
- Must be registered in classes for the duration of the position term (October to April) and intend to remain in the position if elected
- Must abide by both the ACCSA and College Code of Conduct
- Students must have a GPA of at least 2.5
- Must be in good standing with the ACCSA and Assiniboine Community College
- Students may only run for a position for the division in which they are enrolled in as a student. Student's needing clarification on determining which positions they are eligible to run for should contact the ACCSA Office.
- Students must read and abide by all sections of the ACCSA Election Policy. Students will be subject to all requirements in the ACCSA Election Policy throughout the Election.

Term of Office

The term of office for all successful candidates will start immediately after the election results are announced and ends on April 30th 2021.

Honorarium & Requirements

As a student leader on your campus, you will earn an honorarium for your time, and can expect to spend about 10-15 hours per month on related tasks. Hours are flexible based on current events or projects that you are involved with. Honorariums are paid out monthly, typically around the 15th of each month.

The biggest responsibility of elected Student Representatives is that they must attend all Students' Association Council Meetings, which are held every second Monday at 4:30pm, located at one of the Brandon Campuses on a rotating basis, or held online. These meetings typically last anywhere between 1 to 2 hours.

What's in it for you?

Being an elected Student Representative offers opportunities to contribute to numerous college and student led projects, including:

- ACCSA General & Executive Council
- Cultural diversity, allyship and indigenous inclusion on campus
- Mature student initiatives
- Networking opportunities
- Sexual Violence & Harassment Taskforce Committee
- Mental health awareness campaigns
- Wellness initiatives
- Events, tournaments, spirit weeks
- Professional development opportunities
- **& Many More!**

What positions are available?

Brandon Campuses

- President (Executive Position)
- Accessibility Representative
- Adult Collegiate Representative
- Agriculture & Environment Representative
- Nursing Representative

Election Timeline

Nomination Period

Monday, January 4th @ 9:00am to Monday, January 11th @ 4:00pm

All Candidates Meeting (Mandatory for all Candidates)

Tuesday, January 12th @ 4:30pm on Microsoft Teams

Campaign Period

Following the All Candidates Meeting until Friday, January 15th @ 4:00pm

Voting Period

Monday, January 18th @ 9:00am to Wednesday, January 20th @ 9:00am

Election Results (Announced via student email)

Wednesday, January 20th @ 12:30pm

FULL ELECTION DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE AT [ACCSTUDENTS.COM](https://accstudents.com)

QUESTIONS? EMAIL MAYM2@ASSINIBOINE.NET

