

The Student Government conducts elections every year in the spring which are outlined in our election code. We realize this can seem like an intimidating process at first, but we hope this document can help you make sense of the process. Getting on the ballot is the easiest way to get involved in Student Government and allow you to get to work on behalf of your fellow students. If you follow these simple steps you will be on your way to either being a Senator or the Student Body President / Vice President.

Step 1: Academic College

As a Senator you will be representing your academic college. You can get that information by following this link: <https://www.ndsu.edu/academics>

Step 2: Petition for Candidacy (REQUIRED)

The petition can be found right below the link to this document on the homepage of our website. If you are applying to be a Senator, that can be found on page 5 of the document. You will then need to collect the names of 15 students who are also in your academic college which can be found on page 8. They can be your friends or classmates and we recommend getting a few extras just to be sure!

This must be turned in to (jamison.feske@ndsu.edu) **by March 8th to be accepted**. You can either email it or submit it in person at the Student Government office.

Step 3: Campaign Team Roster and Financial Statement (OPTIONAL)

Some of the open seats will be contested and some may not be. If you decide to campaign with a team you will need to submit their names by the deadline. You will be liable for the actions of the people on the roster if they were to break campaign rules. If you spend any money during your campaign you need to account for each expenditure and submit them.

We understand this process might be confusing or intimidating at first. However, with just a little time and effort you can become a member of the foremost leadership group on campus. Please direct any questions to (matthew.friedmann@ndsu.edu) as I would be more than happy to assist you through this process.