



**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH ALABAMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION
2023-2024 ELECTIONS MANUAL**

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Chapter 1. Committee Purpose

- 1.1 The SGA Elections and Recruitment Committee shall ensure honest, fair, open elections for all who are involved. In upholding its responsibility to the Student Body, the committee will endeavor to hold candidates to the highest level of accountability for their actions or actions on their behalf, using the Elections Manual as a guide. All candidates and their volunteers shall be responsible for knowing its contents. Any questions concerning this code shall be addressed directly to a member of the committee or the committee chair.
- 1.2 The committee shall post-election results in the designated polling places after each election. The Flor-Ala shall as expeditiously as possible be informed by an Elections and Recruitment Committee member of the election results.
- 1.3 The committee oversees publicizing the opening of positions that the SGA President will fill by appointment and approval by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present of the Senate.

Chapter 2. Committee Jurisdiction

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- 2.1 The committee will oversee its members and potentia(pt)7 (e)8 (r)T (e)8 (r)T (e)8 (r)T /H1 w li.d

- 3.4 No committee member overseeing the election can be a candidate for that respective election. In the event the committee member becomes a candidate, the Elections Chair may designate a proxy to oversee the respective election.

Chapter 4. Committee Member Rules

- 4.1 Committee members not running in an election shall be prohibited from campaigning for any candidates during the respective election. Campaigning includes, but is not limited to, verbal endorsements, posting campaign images on social media, wearing a candidate's apparel, or passing out flyers/media related to a specific candidate.
- 4.2 No member of the Elections Committee, including the President, may be involved in any work of that committee for or during any election in which they are running for office.
- 4.3 With regards to enforcing the election regulations, the committee will: Assess campaign violations and keep specific, written reports of all violations. These include who committed the violation, what the violation was, where the violation occurred, who assessed the violation, and the date of violation.
- 4.4 Notify the candidates in writing concerning the specific violation(s), which they committed, and turning the list into the Judicial Branch to be ruled upon.

TITLE II. HOMECOMING RULES

Chapter 10. Election Timeline

- 10.1 Elections for both SGA Executive Officers and SGA Senators shall occur simultaneously.
- 10.2 Elections shall occur two (2) weeks prior to Spring Break every year.
- 10.3 An application and declaration of candidacy statement for SGA Executive Officers and SGA Senators shall be available at least five (5) weeks prior to the elections0.3

- 12.1.3 Candidates are expected to run a fair, truthful, and respectable campaign.
- 12.1.4 Untruthful or misleading statements, and offensive or obscene images are not permitted during campaigning.
- 12.1.5 SGA is not liable or responsible for any untruthful or offensive statements made about candidates by other candidates, students, or employees of the University.
- 12.2 Candidates are not allowed to remove, cover, or deface other candidates' campaign materials.
- 12.2b If a candidate and/or their volunteer(s) is found to have maliciously done anything mentioned in 12.2, the candidate shall be referred to the Judicial Branch who will then make a recommendation for what shall be done.
- 12.2 c Candidates must submit a list of all volunteers working for their campaign to the Elections and Recruitment Committee.
- 12.3 Campaigning may not occur in any way that disrupts classes.
- 12.4 Candidates are not allowed to use mobile group messaging unless prior consent is given by each person.
- 12.5 No campaigning of any type will be allowed in the Student Government

considered to still have withdrawn and to be thus ineligible to win the election.

TITLE V. DOCUMENTS

All required documents and forms are available online at una.edu/sga.