February 5: Petitions are OPEN on petitions.stanford.edu

March 9, 11:59 PM: Hard deadline for petitions

First two weeks of spring quarter: CAMPAIGN

April 8, 11:59 PM: Deadline to be removed from ballot

April 10 and 11: Voting!

April 12: Elections Results Party in the Coho at 5pm
Positions

- ASSU Executive President and Vice President

- Class Presidents
  - Sophomore Class Presidents
  - Junior Class Presidents
  - Senior Class Presidents

- Undergraduate Senate

- Graduate Student Council
Executive: Student Body President and Vice President
Run in slates of two (cannot run alone)
Build your own platform; focus energy wherever you want
Examples of current Executive initiatives:
- Funding reform
- Mental health resources
- Humanities
- Re-branding ASSU

Current: Billy Gallagher & Dan Ashton assu.stanford.edu
Graduate Student Council and Undergraduate Senate

Build your own platform as an individual candidate, but also decide initiatives to focus on as a legislative body.

Legislative duties (resolutions; advocacy for students/student groups; liaise between administration and student body).

Funding: involved in Special Fees and General Fees processes

Confirming executive nominations, other ASSU bodies

Undergraduate Senate
- Senate.stanford.edu
- Current chair: Ben Holston
  - holston1@stanford.edu

Graduate Student Council
- Gsc.stanford.edu
- Current co-chairs: Bryce Anzelmo, Trevor Martin
  - chair@gsc.stanford.edu
Undergraduate Senate
- 15 Members
- New for 2014 election: three spots are reserved for upperclassmen
  - Those three spots filled first, then next 13 vote-getters
  - Assuming those three earn more than 2/3 the votes of the 13th vote-getter overall
- Also new for 2014 election: study abroad while in office
  - First term senators may go abroad in their Spring quarter
  - Senators serving a second or subsequent term may go abroad any single quarter while they serve

Graduate Student Council
- 15 members: 5 at-large, 10 elected from specific districts:
  - 1 each from Schools of Business, Earth Sciences, Education, H&S (Humanities), H&S (Natural Sciences), H&S (Social Sciences), Law, Medicine
  - 2 from School of Engineering (must be from different departments)
Other positions and contact

- **Class Presidents**
  - [https://studentaffairs.stanford.edu/sal/classpresident](https://studentaffairs.stanford.edu/sal/classpresident)

- **Sophomore class presidents**
  - Full Moon on the Quad, Sophomore Formal
  - Sophomore Slump prevention activities, major advising
  - Current: ????

- **Junior class presidents (up to 6, 4 must be on campus)**
  - Mausoleum Party, Junior Formal
  - Current: ????

- **Senior class presidents work closely with the Stanford Alumni Association**
  - Senior nights, Senior Formal
  - Current: ???????

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Go to petitions.stanford.edu
Hit “Candidate/sponsor login” on the bottom
Declaration of Intent and Petition signatures due by 11:59 PM, March 9
Why do I need to petition along with declaring my intent?
- Candidates, slates, and sponsors petition to get on the ballot. Nearly every office, fee, or ballot measure requires a petition with student signatures.
- The ASSU governing bodies require petitions to eliminate slates and candidates who do not have a legitimate interest in running or who stand little to no chance of victory.
How many signatures do I need?

- Undergraduate Senate: 100 undergrad signatures
- ASSU Executive: 200 signatures, 300 if requesting public financing
- Class Presidents: 100 undergrad signatures
- GSC: not required

Info Guides:
- http://elections.stanford.edu/candidates/

Appropriate Populations:
- Only current Stanford students from the appropriate population may sign
- Students cannot sign for any other student
PETITIONING RULES

- Signatures collected during class or which interfere with a University function will be deemed invalid.

- Signatures must be collected either online or on a paper petition approved by the Elections Commission.

- Individual candidates and slates can use the pre-approved petition forms available on elections.stanford.edu.

- Special Fees groups and ballot measure sponsors will receive a sample petition from the commission after submitting their declaration of intent and all necessary documents.

- All information contained on the petition must be correct – cannot transfer signatures.

- All students are still required to abide by University policies.
  - Do not get into trouble with Residential Education or University Police.
  - Do not petition door-to-door without a resident chaperone.
Any signer can withdraw his/her signature up until the time the elections commission verifies the petition.

Any petitioner can withdraw the name of a signer up until the time the elections commission verifies the petition.

After receiving a completed petition, the Elections Commission will verify the signatures within 7 days of receiving the petition.
STEP 3: FINANCING YOUR CAMPAIGN

Public Financing

- Only on a need basis – Honor Code
- Form can be found on elections.stanford.edu website
- Only for Undergraduate Senate ($100 per person) and ASSU Executive Candidates ($500 per slate)
- Executive slates must get at least 100 signatures from undergrads and 100 signatures from grads in order to qualify, and 300 total

Spending limits:

- Class Presidents: $400 limit
- ASSU Executives: $1000 limit
- GSC and Senate: no limit
DESIGN YOUR OWN:
- Must not harm others
- No negative campaign, PLEASE
- Be gentle if you’re planning on killing trees: print just enough flyers, please don’t go overboard
- Facebook and Twitter are good – create an event, make a Facebook page

Endorsements from Coalitions

White Plaza

CoHo Debate for ASSU Executives: Facilitated by the Stanford Daily and the Stanford Review Editors in Chief: To be held on Monday before Elections
NO NEGATIVE CAMPAIGNING
  - Check the Political Science research: overt negative campaigning HARMS your campaign and reflects badly on you as a person

DON’T ANNOY PEOPLE
  - We really DON’T need to receive emails from you every minute of the day
  - If a list tells you stop posting, STOP POSTING

DON’T BREAK LAWS
  - CAN-SPAM Act, Honor Code, Fundamental standard
  - Please do not hack Stanford systems to get access to student emails, Stanford has a University computer usage policy

BE GENUINE
Mailmerging is ONLY allowed if people OPTED IN
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