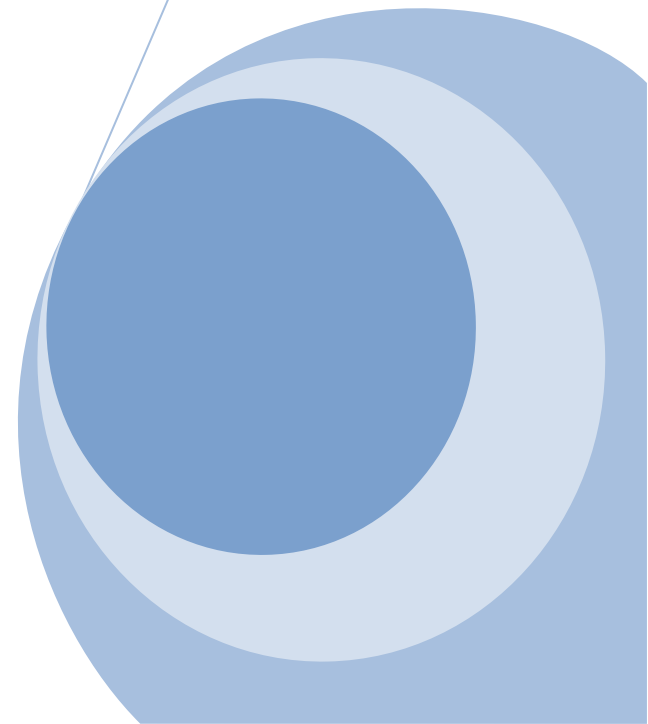
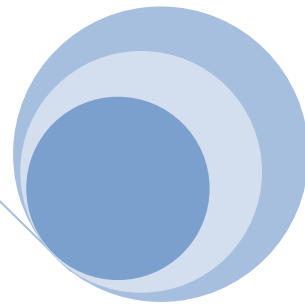


Gaston College



The voice of the students!

Student Government Association Constitution



GASTON COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

Preamble

We, the students of Gaston College, do hereby establish the Gaston College Student Government Association. The purpose of the Student Government Association is to encourage student leadership and participation in the concerns and activities of Gaston College by providing both social activities and learning opportunities. It shall act as a voice of the students of Gaston College representing their interests. Its aim is to promote individual student growth, good citizenship, a positive image of the college, and quality education. We, the students of Gaston College, do ordain and establish this Constitution.

Article I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Student Government Association of Gaston College.

Article II. MEMBERSHIP

Any properly registered and enrolled student of Gaston College who has paid the student activity fee shall be considered for membership of the Student Government Association entitled to vote in all elections, attend any meeting of the Student Senate, and any committee established there under once becoming a member.

Article III. Purpose

The Student Government Association shall be the official student organization to act in the common interest of the student body.

- A. The Student Government Association shall exist to promote political awareness, unity and school spirit with the college.
- B. The Student Government Association shall serve as a liaison between Gaston College administration, faculty, staff and the student body.
- C. The Student Government Association shall be responsible for making the requests and recommendations to the administration that reflect the needs of the student body.
- D. The Student Government Association shall be responsible for planning events and projects that reflect the ideas and opinions of the student body.
- E. The Student Government Association shall propose the budget detailing the expenditures of the student activity fees and shall submit it to the administration for approval.
- F. The Student Government Association in conjunction with the Inter Club Council shall pass the initial proposal approval of all newly formed student organizations and events.

Article IV. ORGANIZATION

The Student Government Association shall consist of an Executive Council, a Student Senate. Standing Committees, and Special Committees established by the Student Senate or the Executive Council.

Article V. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Section 1.

The Executive Council shall be composed of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, elected by the membership as provided in Article VII.

Article VI. LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Section 1.

Legislative power shall be vested in the Student Senate.

Article VII. ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR MAINTAINING OFFICE

Section 1.

Any Student Government Association member, meeting the qualifications for office, may file to run for such office on an appropriate form, provided by the Election Committee. The form must be returned to the Elections office on an appropriate form, provided by the election Committee. The form must be returned to the Elections Committee within the time specified by the Elections committee, and approved by the Student Senate.

Article VIII. ADVISORY COUNCIL

Section 1.

The Advisory Council shall consist of the Coordinator of Student Activities of Gaston College and/or such person's designee(s) that is appointed by the Administration.

Article IX. STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1.

The Standing Committees of the Student Government Association shall be Constitution, Elections, Financial, Inter-Club Council, Publicity, Recruitment, Social, and Intramural.

Article X. IMPEACHMENT

Section 1.

Any Student Senator or Executive Council member has the right to initiate impeachment proceedings against any Executive Council member or Student Senate.

Article XI. FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Student Government Association shall coincide with that of Gaston College.

Article XII. AMENDMENTS

Section 1.

Any proposed amendments to this Constitution must first presented in writing to the Student Senate at the meeting in which the proposed change is first submitted. At any subsequent meeting, the proposed amendment, together with any changes made by the Student senate, shall be voted upon by the senate. If the amendment passes with a two-thirds vote, the proposed amendment must then be approved by the majority vote of the student body/membership in order to be ratified.