Dear SGA Candidate,

Thank you for your interest in the University of Colorado Denver’s Student Government Association. This letter contains information on Spring 2020 SGA Elections. The SGA Elections Code, CU Denver SGA Constitution, AHEC Posting Policies, Student Code of Conduct, etc.) can be found at the CU Denver SGA website: http://www.ucdenver.edu/sga.

For the first time, all forms related to SGA elections will be on-line through MyLynx. Links to those forms will be posted on the SGA elections website. If you have any problems accessing those forms please contact the SGA elections Advisor.

Please note the following important dates and tasks:
- The declaration of candidacy and eligibility packet will be completed and turned in online by March 11th.
- Grades and Judicial check will take place during March 12-13th.
- The election commissioners and the Office of Student Life will inform the eligibility of each candidate and get back to them by 5pm March 13th.
- There shall be mandatory Candidate information meetings run by the election commissioners on March 12th and 13th. Candidates are required to come to one session (of the two listed dates) and the times for the meetings will be posted on the SGA website alongside being informed by the election commissioners.
- The elections advisor will build the ballot form the week of March 16th and AHEC will test the ballot form the week of March 30th.
- A Candidate forum, which includes a live stream, will occur on April 1 at 4pm until 6pm.

Campaigning will open March 16th at 8am and will end on April 10 at 3pm MST.
- This specifically means that candidates are able to start campaigning on campus; previous campaigning on any personal social media is not included in this mandate.
- The CU Denver Elections will take place on April 6th until April 10th and the elections announcement will be posted by 5pm on April 10th (unless there are voting irregularities or any violations that need to be addressed per the elections code).

You, and your campaign team, are expected to know all campaign rules, regulations, and consequences for rule violations. While all this information is included in the Elections Code – SP20 document also posted on the SGA elections website, here are some short reminders:

1. Positions for candidacy include the Executive ticket (President and Vice President), six (6) finance and funding and six (6) legislation and outreach Senators., one (1) Chair of Events and Planning, two (2) SACAB Representatives, SFRC Chair, and eight (8) members of College Council. College Council candidates must be a declared major in the school/college they are running for.
2. The General Election will begin on Monday, April 6th, 2020 and will end on April 10th, 2020. All voting will be done electronically.
3. In order to be confirmed for candidacy, the candidates shall verify the following information:
- Correct spelling of name, as it is to appear on the ballot
- Current enrollment as voting-eligible CU Denver students, as defined in the Election Code
- Phone number and CU Denver student e-mail
- Information regarding enrollment, academic standing, address, phone number, and e-mail has been updated with the Office of Admissions.

4. Falsification of candidate information will result in disqualification and removal from the ballot. It is the responsibility of the candidate to determine that all information is correct and to supply this information to the Election Commissioner.

5. The Election Commission shall review all campaign regulations, candidates’ rights, and the process for appeal of the Election Commission’s decisions and findings. The Election Commission shall also determine the candidate order for the advertising and initial set of ballots.

6. If you are elected in April, you are required to attend the below listed mandatory SGA participation events. The Executive Team, in addition to attending the following events, must be regularly available throughout the summer and are discouraged from participating in other experiences that require a great deal of time like working full time, full time internships, taking a large academic course load or studying abroad. The President and Vice President consistently work 15-25 hours per week throughout the summer and academic year. The President and Vice President are also to attend New Student Orientation sessions throughout the summer.

   **Elected Candidates Training:**
   - SGA Meeting on April 24, 2020 (Orientation)
   - SGA Meeting on May 1, 2020 (Induction)
   - SGA Student Leader Training on May 18, 2020 (Day long training)
   - SGA President / Vice President Training – May 19, 2020
   - SGA Training Week – August 5-7, 2020 (all day)
   - CU Denver New Student Prep Week & SGA Events– August 10-14, 2020 (Time commitments TBA)

   **These dates are mandatory for all elected candidates,** if a candidate cannot go to the meeting they can make up the meeting by watching an online recording

7. All questions, concerns, and any other communications should be relayed through the Election Commissioner, whether through emailing elections@ucdenver.edu, individual correspondence, or by visiting the SGA office.

   **We hope the 2020 Election Season will be accessible, open, fair, and fun!**

Best of Luck,

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SGA Election Commissioners

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