

CONSTITUTION OF MGAPSS

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this organization shall be: The McGill Graduate Association of Political Studies Students (MGAPSS), hereinafter referred to as the "Association."

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

2.1 The purpose of the Association is to promote the academic welfare of all graduate students in the Political Science Department of McGill University.

2.2 To enhance the cultural, environmental and social conditions of its members.

2.3 To represent, or facilitate the representation of, its members as required.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Association shall be composed of graduate students pursuing the fulfillment of their degree requirements in the Department of Political Science.

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

4.1 Meetings shall be organized regularly and as needed during the academic year and posted on POLIGRAD or any other electronic media distributed to all political science graduate students at least 48 hours in advance.

4.2 Meetings which seek to amend the constitution by revision, addition or repeal of an article must be announced in at least five (5) graduate classes and posted on POLIGRAD or any other electronic media distributed to all political science graduate students one week before a constitution meeting is held.

4.3 A meeting quorum will be considered to be reached if five members of the Association, including one member of the Executive of the Association, meet within the first hour of the appointed meeting time at the appointed meeting place.

ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE AND REPRESENTATIVE OFFICERS

5.1 The Executive Officers of the Association shall consist of

- One or two (1 or 2) Coordinators
- Subfield coordinators for each subfield

5.2 The following Optional Executive Officers shall be elected as needed:

- One (1) Treasurer
- One (1) Speaker
- One (1) Social Activities Coordinator

5.3 The following Representative Officers shall be elected:

- Hiring Committee Representative(s), as needed
- Three (3) PGSS Representatives (or as indicated by PGSS)
- One (1) AGSEM Representative (or as indicated by AGSEM)
- One (1) Graduate Studies Board Representative
- Four (4) Department of Political Science Representatives (or as indicated by the Department constitution)

ARTICLE VI ELECTIONS

All officers shall be elected. Officers shall hold office for one academic year – September through August.

ARTICLE VII AMENDMENTS

Notice and wording of any amendment to this constitution shall be posted at least one week in advance of the meeting that is to consider the amendment. An amendment must be sponsored by five (5) members of the Association.

MAJORITY: A constitutional amendment shall pass if it receives a two-thirds vote of the members voting at the meeting.

ARTICLE VIII ENACTMENT

This constitution enters into force upon an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members voting at the meeting. The constitution is of equal authenticity in both its English and French translations.