

**POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
OUACHITA TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

SUBJECT AREA: Student Services

POLICY/PROCEDURE: Student Organizations

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Student Government Association

To establish a system of participation in the student government and to increase the spirit and reputation of the College, a Student Government Association (SGA) is authorized.

SGA's are vested with authority to legislate on subjects concerning student affairs, unless regulation has been otherwise delegated, and subject to the approval of the appropriate administrative office.

Constitutions of all student organizations must be approved by a simple majority or a quorum. A quorum in this section shall be defined as a simple majority of the total membership and one faculty advisor.

Membership on the SGA is normally comprised of one representative from each class or program and the president of each recognized school club and organization. The SGA shall have a faculty or staff advisor.

A representative must be a member of the class, program, or organization from which he/she is chosen. Representatives normally serve for one academic year.

The ranking officer of each organization represented on the SGA shall submit proof that each representative of the organization has been elected by a majority vote in an election in which at least half the members cast a ballot. A secret ballot is required for all contested elections.

The SGA may expel any representative for malperformance of duties.

The SGA shall elect from its membership, in a joint meeting of incumbent representatives and representatives-elect, a president, a vice president, a treasurer, and a recording secretary. These officers shall assume office immediately upon election and shall serve until the next election.

Class Organizations

Each class, first year and second year, may organize by the election of class president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer. Class organizations shall be under the sponsorship of the SGA and their primary purpose is for class-wide social activities. The election of class officers will occur during the first three weeks of the fall term. Each class will have a faculty advisor.

Clubs

Hobby, social, or interest clubs may be organized and must be chartered by the SGA. Clubs must have an elected president and vice president. All clubs will have a faculty advisor. The SGA will determine if sufficient interest exists to form or to continue a club.

Trade and Professional Societies

Student chapters of the various societies will be formed on the same basis and under the same requirements as other student organizations.

Social Activities

All student group activities of the College must be approved and sponsored by the SGA and the administration. Classes, clubs, and other groups are encouraged to plan and conduct social activities for their members. The SGA will organize and conduct school-wide social activities and gatherings. All students are encouraged to participate in these activities and many will be open to guests.

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