

Title I: Constitution of the
Engineering Science Student Society
of
Simon Fraser University



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Article 1 – Name

Section 1 – Name

1.1 The official name of the Departmental Student Union for Engineering Science at Simon Fraser University shall be the Engineering Science Student Society, hereinafter referred to as the **ESSS**.

Article 2 – Purpose

Section 1 – Purpose of the Society

2.1 The purpose of the ESSS shall be:

- a) To promote school spirit among Engineering Science students;
- b) To improve the quality of education in collaboration with the School of Engineering Science at Simon Fraser University;
- c) To develop members' interests in extra-curricular and co-curricular activities;
- d) To take an active role in promoting engineering as a profession;
- e) To maintain communication with internal and external engineering groups and professional engineering associations;
- f) To aid members in developing organizational, leadership, and professional skills;
- g) To represent and mediate on behalf of its members with the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS), the School of Engineering Science, and the University Administration, as required and in the best interests of the membership;

- h) To promote communication and collaboration between undergraduate and graduate students within the engineering community; and
 - i) To support initiatives of student groups within the engineering community.
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Article 3 – Membership and Authority

Section 1 – Membership

3.1 The Members of the ESSS shall consist of undergraduate students enrolled in programs administered by the School of Engineering Science at Simon Fraser University, as further defined in the ESSS Bylaws.

3.2 The ESSS may recognize additional classes of membership in accordance with the ESSS Bylaws.

Section 2 – Authority of the Membership

3.3 The Members of the ESSS collectively constitute the highest governing authority of the Society.

3.4 The Members shall exercise their authority through, including but not limited to:

- a) General Meetings;
- b) Elections;
- c) Referenda; and
- d) Other decision-making processes as defined in the ESSS Bylaws.

Article 4 – Governing Documents and Hierarchy

Section 1 – Governing Documents

4.1 The governing documents of the ESSS shall consist of:

- a) This Constitution;
- b) The ESSS Bylaws; and
- c) The ESSS Policy & Procedures Manual.

Section 2 – Hierarchy of Authority

4.2 In the event of conflict, the following order of authority shall apply:

- a) Applicable legislation;
- b) This Constitution;
- c) The ESSS Bylaws; and
- d) The ESSS Policy & Procedures Manual.

4.3 The ESSS Bylaws and Policy & Procedures Manual shall be interpreted and applied in a manner consistent with this Constitution.

Article 5 – Amendment of the Constitution

Section 1 – Amendments

5.1 This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority vote of Members present at a properly constituted General Meeting called for that purpose.

5.2 Notice of proposed constitutional amendments shall be provided to the Members in advance of the General Meeting in accordance with the ESSS Bylaws.

5.3 Amendments to this Constitution shall not take effect until ratified by the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS), unless otherwise permitted under SFSS policy.

5.4 Where SFSS ratification is refused or withheld by a designated SFSS representative or process, the Membership may, by a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority vote at a properly constituted General Meeting, direct the Executive Council to resubmit the amendment for reconsideration and/or to pursue an appeal or review through the appropriate SFSS body or procedure. Nothing in this section permits an amendment to take effect without SFSS ratification where such ratification is required.

Article 6 – Dissolution

Section 1 – Dissolution of the Society

6.1 In the event of dissolution or inactivity of the ESSS, the disposition of assets and the process for reconstitution shall be governed by the ESSS Bylaws and applicable SFSS and University policies.