The Constitution of the Students Council of Nims University Rajasthan

Preamble
The Students Council (SC) of Nims University Rajasthan, Jaipur is an elected representation of the student community. The purpose of the Student Council is to serve as a legislative body, framing policies and decisions for the benefit of the student community. It shall serve as a channel through which the student community can voice their opinions and concerns. The SAC shall continuously strive to identify student-related issues and help resolve them, thus building a healthy environment in the institute.

Objectives
- To foster, develop and increase students’ social awareness.
- To promote interaction and knowledge sharing.
- To nurture the aptitude of the student community for holistic development.
- To promote and develop organizational ability.

Tenure
The student representatives on the Student Council shall hold office from 1st September of the ensuing year, for a period of 1 year.

Pledge of the Student Council
We, the students of Nims University shall strive for the holistic development of the student community. We shall work with a sense of morality and responsibility to ensure the welfare of one and all. We shall always maintain an atmosphere of harmony in the institute. We promise to follow the principles enshrined in the Constitution. We, hereby, adopt the Constitution of the Students Council and pledge to abide by the principles laid down in it.

1 ORGANIZATION AND ORGANIZATIONAL PRINCIPLES
The Student Council shall:

i. Serve as the main forum of expression of student opinion.
ii. Be in continuous touch with the students and administration and act as a feedback system.
iii. Act as the central policy making body of the SAC.
iv. Guide and check the functioning of the various sub-committees under the Student Council. However, it shall not interfere in day-to-day governance of the clubs and committees, in order to ensure that the free functioning of the committees within the general policy framework defined by the Council is not affected.
2 STUDENT OFFICE BEARERS

i. Members of the Students’ Council shall consist of three topper students from each faculty of university. The SC shall be constituted in the month of September each year.

ii. A student can:

a) Hold 1 position in one of the Central Committees of the Student Council as a General Secretary.

b) Hold positions in 1 club and/or 1 of the subcommittees under the Central Committees.

In the event of a student, who is an office bearer of a sub-committee/club, getting elected onto one of the Central Committees, he/she will have to relinquish the position on the sub-committee/club. The vacant position on the sub-committee/club shall be filled through fresh elections.

3 STUDENTS COUNCIL

The Student Council and the various Central Committees shall regularly review the activities of the different clubs and associated bodies within their domain and make suggestions to improve their functioning, if and when necessary.

Composition:

- Chairperson
- President
- Convener
- Hostel Cum Mess Committee Convener
- Faculty Members selected by Chairperson
- General Secretary & Assistant Secretary-Hostel
- General Secretary & Assistant Secretary-Cultural

3.1 Functions of the Student Council

The Student Council shall function on the principle of consensus. Members of the Student Council are encouraged to take decisions through consensus. Views of all members of Student Council – faculty and student alike – are to be respected and equal importance is to be given to all views. In the event of the issue discussed being contentious and consensus cannot be achieved, the decision shall be put to vote and arrived at on the basis of simple majority.

a) The Student Council shall consider all items pertaining to student activities in the Institute brought before it, either by one of its members, students or faculty members.

b) Structure of the Student Council may be changed if the chairperson deems it necessary, upon discussion with members. However, such decisions shall need the support of the majority of the members of the Student Council present.
c) The Student Council shall approve and ratify the proposals for formation of new student bodies in the Institute.

d) If it is felt by the Student Council that some policy or decision of a particular sub-committee/club/cell is detrimental to the interests of the student community, the Student Council shall ask that sub-committee/club/cell to consider those policies or decisions in the light of its suggestions.

e) The Student Council is authorized to make any amendment to the Constitution and forward it to the Senate for approval, if deemed necessary by the Student Council Chairman. However, such constitutional amendments shall require the support of the majority of the members of the Student Council present.

3.2 Meetings of the Student Council

a) The Student Council shall meet at least twice during a semester. The Convener shall call the meetings of the Student Council.

b) The quorum for all Student Council meetings shall be 50% of its total possible strength. It is expected that all members of the Student Council be present in meetings dealing with major policy changes/constitutional amendments. It is also advised that such issues are not discussed in the absence of any member of the Student Council.

c) A member of the Student Council may invite any person to a meeting with the consent (and on behalf) of the Convener for a specific agenda item.

d) The Student Council is encouraged to take decisions by consensus. The minutes of all meetings shall be recorded by the Convener of the meeting and circulated to all members of the committee.

5 CENTRAL COMMITTEES OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL

5.1 Hostel Committee

The Hostel Committee shall be represented on the Student Council by the General Secretaries.

Composition:

a. General Secretary, Hostel.
b. Assistant Secretary, Hostel.
c. Wing Representatives from all hostels/halls.

Functions:

a) The functions of the Hostel Committee include discussion on all matters pertaining to hostel affairs, maintenance and development of hostel infrastructure in the institute.
b) After discussion, the General Secretary of the Hostel Committee shall place the agendas in front of the Student Council.
c) The Hostel Committee meetings shall be convened by the General Secretary of Hostel with a minimum periodicity of at least once a month; any of the members can request for a meeting. Presence of Wardens, Chief Warden and Dean of Students in the meetings is appreciated.
d) Wing representatives shall be answerable to the General Secretary, Hostel.
5.2 Cultural Committee
The Cultural Committee shall be represented on the Student Council by the General Secretary.

Composition:

- Chairman
- General Secretary
- One Faculty Representative from each College
- Two Student Representative from each College

Functions:

a) The Cultural Committee shall co-ordinate all cultural activities under this group and shall draw up the program of all cultural activities on the basis of the proposals submitted by respective members.

b) The General Secretaries shall prepare an Events Calendar based on the proposals submitted by the respective clubs. They shall also recommend the budget for the various clubs required to successfully organize events.

c) The Cultural Affairs Committee shall regularly review the progress of cultural events in the light of the proposals made and shall offer suggestions to modify the plan in order to meet the objectives of Student Council.

d) The Cultural Affairs Committee shall take all the decisions by consensus. However, in the event of the issue discussed being contentious, the decision shall be put to vote and arrived at on the basis of a simple majority. The minutes of all meetings shall be forwarded to the Student Committee for information and approval.

5.3 Mess Committee
The Mess Committee shall be represented on the Student Council by the General Secretaries.

Composition:

- Chairperson
- Chief Warden from Girls Hostel
- Chief Warden from Boys Hostel
- Student Wing Representatives from all hostels/halls

5.3.1 Functions

a) The functions of the Mess Committee include discussion on all matters pertaining to mess facility in the hostels.

b) The Mess Committee shall review suggestions and feedback by the student community and authorities and act accordingly to improve the quality of food and services provided in the Mess.

c) The Mess Committee shall make recommendations regarding services provided, requirement of staff
and other issues to the Food, Health & Hygiene, which shall be communicated to the Student Council.

d) The minutes of all meetings shall be conveyed to the Chairperson for necessary action.

5.4 Placement Committee

The Placement Committee shall be represented on the Student Council by the General Secretary.

Composition:
- Chairman
- General Secretary
- Faculty Representatives from all Colleges
- Student representatives from all Colleges.

Functions:

1. The Placement Committee shall manage the entire placement and internship related activities at Nims University.

2. The Placement Committee shall correspond to prospective companies for interview date and schedule of events. & shall arrange for interview facilities at the campus and written test halls.

3. The Placement Committee shall prepare students for campus recruitment by arranging training in Aptitude tests, group discussions, preparing for Technical and HR interviews through professional trainers.

4. The Placement Committee shall facilitate the Summer Internship/Training of Final & Pre Final Students by coordinating with Industry.

5. The Placement Committee shall organize guest lectures by senior corporate personnel and most importantly by the immediately placed senior students.

5.5 Environmental Committee

Given that all dimensions of campus life in the University and operations have environmental ramifications, and that environmental problem solving presents myriad educational opportunities. As to address the aforesaid, the environmental committee was set up to represent with responsibility on a broad cross section of the campus community, including students, faculty and staff members of the University. The Environmental Committee shall be represented on behalf of the Student Council by the General Secretary.

Composition:
- Chairman
- General Secretary
- Faculty Representatives from constituent colleges of University.
- Student representatives from constituent colleges of University.

**Functions:**

6. The Environmental Committee has the following responsibility to bring environmental awareness among all constituent colleges of University.

7. The Environmental Committee has the responsibility to keep abreast of R & D pertaining to the institutional sustainability.

8. The Environmental Committee has to recommend policies to be adopted by the constituent colleges of University, so as to promote conservation, energy efficiency and sustainable use of resources.

9. The Environmental Committee has to assess the environmental state of the constituent colleges of University on a regular basis.

10. The Environmental Committee has to report cohesively to the faculty representatives on its environmental findings and activities of constituent colleges of University.
6. Model Code of Conduct

This Code of Conduct is a collection of some expected behaviors and restrictions that must be followed by all candidates standing in the elections. These guidelines come into effect once the announcement of the election is made till the announcement of the results. Violation of these norms will attract punitive actions from the Election Commissioners ranging from cancellation of candidature to prohibition from participating in future elections.

a) No candidate shall indulge in any activity which may aggravate or create mutual hatred or cause tension between different castes and communities – religious, linguistic, etc.

b) Criticism of other candidates, when made, shall be confined to their policies and programs. Candidates shall refrain from criticism of all aspects of private life, not connected with public activities. Criticism of other candidates based on unverified allegations or distortion must be avoided.

c) The right of every individual for peaceful and undisturbed personal life shall be respected, however much the candidates may resent that individual’s opinions or activities.

d) Candidates shall ensure that their supporters do not indulge in any kind of fighting with the other candidates and their supporters. Candidate would be held responsible for the same.

e) Election or your candidature cannot be given as an excuse to miss classes, lectures or labs.

f) For issues which have not been foreseen in this section, the decision taken by the Chairperson shall be final and binding.