



<i>Policy 1</i>
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1. Policy 1: Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA)

Policy to apply to By-Law No. XIV – External Organizations and to OUSA’s membership in the OUSA.

1.1. Purpose

- 1.1.1. To establish Trent Durham Student Association’s (TDSA) expectations of OUSA;
- 1.1.2. To establish the conditions of TDSA’s OUSA membership;
- 1.1.3. To ensure that appropriate procedures are followed in the selection of delegates representing TDSA at OUSA functions.

1.2. Expectations of OUSA

- 1.2.1. TDSA shall hold OUSA accountable for:
 - 1. Providing a forum for constructive dialogue between full and part-time undergraduate student governments in Ontario;
 - 2. Striving to represent the views, beliefs, and needs of its member schools on issues directly related to the academic interests of undergraduates, including the quality and availability of post-secondary education in Ontario;

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3. Articulate these views, beliefs, and needs to all levels of government, university administrations, members of the university community, and the community at large;
4. Be directly accountable and responsive to the undergraduate students on the campuses of its member schools in all areas of its activities, including the maintenance of a decentralized structure of operations responsible for its function to its members.

1.3. Membership Fee

- 1.3.1. TDSA shall pay membership fees to OUSA through a per-student fee model, paid out of the TDSA Operating Budget.

1.4. Change of Membership Status

- 1.4.1. Written notice of intent to change TDSA's membership status in OUSA must be provided to the OUSA Steering Committee ninety (90) days prior to such a vote occurring. The date of the vote must be included in the notice of intent. Departure from OUSA membership will adhere to By-Law No. XIII concerning Referenda.

1.4.2.

1.5. Representation

- 1.5.1. TDSA's voting member on the OUSA Steering Committee (OUSA SC) shall be the Vice-President of External Affairs (VPEA). If unable to attend an OUSA SC meeting, the VPEA may send an alternate Board of Director to attend the meeting;
- 1.5.2. TDSA shall send one (1) voting delegate per three thousand (3000) students, VPEA as well as any authors that took part in the development of the paper to all meetings of OUSA's General Assembly (GA); TDSA may send delegates as observers, subject to board approval;

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1. One (1) delegate shall be the President, or a designated representative;
 2. The remaining delegates shall be selected from the TDSA membership by the VPEA, subject to board approval;
- 1.5.3. In the event that an additional delegate(s) is needed for non-GA meetings and functions of OUSA, first consideration shall be given to the President and second consideration to a TDSA board member. In the event they are unable to attend said functions, the VPEA has the authority to select members from the corporation;
- 1.5.4. Any individual representing TDSA shall act in the best interest of TDSA and shall strive to ensure that fair and effective representation is upheld.

1.6. Interpretation

- 1.6.1. If there is a conflict between the TDSA Bylaws, and/or Operating Policies and OUSA policy, TDSA policy shall take precedence.