THE BOARD GUIDELINES FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICE AS MEMBERS AND
OFFICERS OF STUDENT GOVERNMENTS AND THE UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE
AND TO OTHER STUDENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

RESOLVED, That the Board Guidelines for Eligibility for Service as Members and Officers of Student
Government and the University Student Senate of The City University of New York adopted by the Board
follows:

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AND OTHER STUDENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

PREAMBLE:

In accordance with its policy making authority and responsibilities, the University Trustees have
determined that satisfactory academic achievement and progress as a degree-seeking student at a
college of the University is an essential prerequisite to holding and adequately fulfilling the responsibilities
of student office.

It is the responsibility of the University, and its trustees as fiduciaries, to insure that the educational and
extracurricular programs of the University are operated in the best interests of students and all other
affected constituencies of the University. The academic standards hereby adopted are considered
essential for the personal well-being and academic progress of students who seek to take on the
additional responsibility of student leadership, as well as for the students and other members of the
University community.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES:

The following guidelines apply to each semester a student is running for and/or holding office, whether by
election, appointment, or ex-officio status, in student governments, the University Student Senate and
other bodies. The positions subject to these guidelines are the members (senators, representatives,
delegates, etc.) and officers of student governments, members of the governing boards of college
associations and auxiliary enterprise boards, members of allocating bodies of student activity fees,
members of college governance bodies including college councils and senates, editors of student
publications and officers and directors of radio stations, members and alternate members of Board
committees, and the chair, vice-chairs, the delegates, the alternates, and any other officers established
by the University Student Senate. In these guidelines, credit hours refer to actual credit hours, and not
equivalent or contact hours.

1. Students must be matriculated in a degree or credit-bearing certificate program at the college
in which they serve or which they represent.
   a. Full-time undergraduate students must carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.
   b. Part-time undergraduate students must carry a minimum of 6 credit hours.
   c. Graduate students must carry a minimum of 3 credit hours.
   d. In order to serve each semester, a student must have completed and earned
      passing grades in at least 50% of the credits for which they registered the prior
      semester, but in no event less than 3 credits.
   e. Full-time doctoral students at Level II or III shall be making satisfactory progress
      and shall not be subject to subdivisions c and d hereof.

2. Undergraduate [and professional school] students must have a minimum cumulative
   grade point average of 2.0 and be in good standing to participate in student government
and the University Student Senate. Chief executive officers and the Chairperson of the University Student Senate must have a minimum GPA of 2.5.

3. Graduate students must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0. [Law School students must be in good standing.] Graduate students may not serve in student government and/or any other student leadership positions covered by these Guidelines for more than a total of two years.

4. Law School students must maintain a cumulative 2.3 average each semester and may not serve in student government and/or any other student leadership positions covered by these Guidelines for more than a total of three years.

5. Undergraduate students may not serve in student government and/or any other student leadership positions covered by these Guidelines for more than a total of five years, to include no more that three years at community colleges. Students shall be permitted to serve in the same executive office in a student government, [or] the University Student Senate, or other student leadership position for a maximum of two years, except that co-chairs of the Doctoral Student Council shall be limited to a maximum of three years.

6. In order to participate in the University Student Senate, on Board committees, campus student governments or serve in the other student leadership positions covered by these Guidelines students must be certified as being in compliance with these Guidelines by the college president, or his/her designee, to the Vice Chancellor for Student Development and Enrollment.

And be it further

RESOLVED, That these amendments shall be effective Fall 2010 except that students then holding office or who may have been elected in the Spring 2010 elections to serve in the 2010/2011 academic year may continue to serve until the end of the term of office.

NOTE: New material is underlined and deleted material is bracketed

EXPLANATION: The current guidelines are silent as to length of service for graduate students and law students in leadership positions. This amendment creates a limit of two years for graduate students and a three year limit for law students to serve in student government and/or any other student leadership positions.

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