

### CCSS General Election 2023 - Writ of Election

This election has been organized in accordance with the <u>CCSS Constitution</u> and <u>Electoral Code</u>. The Electoral Officer for this election is Laura Jin. The election period in its entirety will run from Wednesday, February 1st, 2023 to Friday, March 17th, 2023.

#### **Positions**

The purpose of this election is to elect the following officer positions on the CCSS Board of Directors for the 2023-2024 academic year:

- President
- Vice President
- Director of Finance
- Director of Academics
- Director of Social
- Director of Community

In order to qualify for candidacy, every nominee must be an undergraduate student enrolled in a Bachelor of Computer Science program at Carleton University. Additionally, nominees for the President position must either currently hold or have previously held an officer position on the CCSS Board of Directors. All nominees must abide by the nomination restrictions outlined in the Electoral Code.

#### **Nominations**

The nomination form will be made publicly available on Wednesday, February 1st, 2023 and is due by Sunday, February 19, 2023 at 11:59 PM EST. Nominees may only nominate themselves for 1 position each.

All nominees must gather "signatures" of support from at least 3 current BCS students, whose Carleton email addresses must be included in the nomination form, to be verified by the Electoral Officer. Alternatively, nominees may complete their nomination with only 1 "signature", provided the signatory currently holds an officer position on the CCSS Board of Directors. Nominees may not act as signatories for other nominees, and each signatory's support is valid for only 1 nominee. Additionally, nominees for the President position must receive approval to run in the election from a member of the School of Computer Science staff.

After all nominations have been verified, candidates will be contacted by an email from the Electoral Officer with further details on how to proceed.

# Campaigning

The campaigning period will begin on Monday, February 27, 2023, upon announcement of the election candidates. The candidates for each position will be announced by email, on the CCSS website, and on CCSS social media platforms. The campaigning period will run until Friday, March 10, 2023, at 11:59 PM EDT.

During this period, candidates may amass support for their campaign however they see fit, so long as it is in good faith (no defamation/smear campaigns, etc.). Candidates must notify the Electoral Officer of all campaigning materials (posters/graphics, social media pages/posts, etc.). Campaign expenses shall total no more than \$50 CAD for each candidate, and will not be reimbursed by the CCSS.

### Voting

The voting period will begin on Monday, March 13, 2023, upon delivery of the online ballot. All eligible voters will receive a link to their ballot in their Carleton email accounts on the first day of the voting period. The voting period ends at 11:59 PM EDT on Friday, March 17, 2023, after which no ballots can be submitted. No campaigning shall take place during this period - candidates who do so may be disqualified.

The eligible voters for this election include all undergraduate students enrolled in a Bachelor of Computer Science program at Carleton University.

# Results

After the voting period closes, ballots will be counted and verified. A full report of the election results will be made available through email, the CCSS website, and CCSS social media platforms once it is available.

### Additional Information

Any and all questions pertaining to the CCSS General Election should be directed to the Electoral Officer at elections@ccss.carleton.ca.