

# **CONSTITUTION OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL**

NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA



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#### **PREAMBLE**

WE, the students of the NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA, in order to usher in a culture of *self-governance*, accountability and to facilitate synergy among all the stakeholders of the University for their holistic development, HEREBY ADOPT, ENACT & GIVE TO OURSELVES THIS CONSTITUTION.



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# ARTICLE I: SHORT TITLE, APPLICATION AND COMMENCEMENT

- This Constitution shall be known as the Constitution of Student Body Association of National Law University Odisha, 2019.
- 2. It shall apply to all the stakeholders of National Law University Odisha in its entirety.
- 3. It shall come into force as and when notified by the Vice Chancellor.

### **ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVE**

- a) To serve as the official representative of the National Law University Odisha student body to the administration and faculty.
- b) To democratise the structure of decision making at all levels and to effectively strive for relevance in education.
- c) To create standing and special purpose committees which shall pursue matters of concern to the student body.
- d) To disseminate information of concern to the Student Body.
- e) To supervise all elections and referenda required by this Constitution.
- f) The Student Body Association also promulgates rules and exercises rulemaking authority under its jurisdiction.
- g) To respect, understand, and accept the differences and similarities that exist within and outside of the National Law University.
- h) To coordinate and supervise student committees of the National Law University Odisha.
- i) To approve and amend bylaws consistent with this Constitution to facilitate Student Body Association governance and administration.

#### **ARTICLE III: DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of this constitution;

- 1. "Academic session" means a period of two semesters consisting of an odd semester and the immediately succeeding even semester.
- "Appropriate Authority" means and includes, unless the context otherwise requires, faculty advisor of student council, registrar and Vice-Chancellor or any person acting on the authority of Vice-Chancellor or registrar.
- 3. "Batch Representative" means a member of Student Council elected from a batch.
- 4. "Committee" includes committees and centres constituting of students and headed by a faculty member.
- 5. "Constitution" refers to the document governing the rights, interests and duties of the Student Body Association.



- 6. "Faculty Member" means any staff member who teaches students of National Law University Odisha for a consideration including visiting faculty, guest faculty or any other person who can be believed to be a teacher in this university by a reasonable man.
- 7. "Memorandum of Incorporation" refers to the document governing the creation and function of any standing committee created as per this Constitution which shall include but shall not be limited to the purpose, tenure, rights, functions, duties and responsibilities of a committee constituted for a special and exclusive purpose.
- 8. "NLUO" and "University" mean the National Law University Odisha.
- 8A. "Outgoing Student Council" shall mean the Student Council constituted in the immediately preceding academic session.<sup>1</sup>
- 9. "Panel" would refer to a body of odd number of individuals consisting of teachers as decided by the Vice-Chancellor and two student representatives selected by the Student Council.
- 10. "Petition" is a formal written request, signed by the requisite number under this Constitution, to the Student Council with respect to a specific matter.
- 11. "Referendum" means any opinion sought by the Student Body Association through voting as per this Constitution.
- 12. "Relevant Parties" all parties whose rights and interests would be affected in any matter as decided via a resolution by the Student Council.
- 13. "Stakeholder" includes but is not limited to students, teaching staff, non-teaching staff, para- legal, Registrar, Vice Chancellor and anyone on whom the decisions taken in the University would have a bearing.
- 14. "Students" for the purposes for election to the student council refers to all undergraduate and post graduate students enrolled via Common Law Admission Test.
- 15. "Student body association"/ "Student Body Association" all students as mentioned in sub-clause 13 of this Article.
- 16. "Student Council" is the body constituted as per Article IV of the Constitution.

#### ARTICLE IV: COMPOSITION AND TENURE OF STUDENT COUNCIL

- 1. Student Council shall consist of:
  - a. One male member and one female member from each batch from Under-Graduate programme who shall be known as batch representative.
  - b. One member from Post-Graduate programme.
- 2. The members shall choose amongst them a Chair-Person, Co-Chair-Person, Financial Co-ordinator and a Secretary by show of hands.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As amended by the CONSTITUTION OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL (FIRST AMENDMENT), 2021.



- *Provided* that the Chairperson shall be elected from the fourth year, the Co-Chairperson and the Financial Co-ordinator shall be elected from either third or fourth year, and Secretary shall be elected from either second, third or fourth year<sup>2</sup>.
- 3. The tenure of the Student Council shall commence from the declaration of the election results for the student council for an academic year and shall continue till the election of the student council for the immediately succeeding academic year.

# ARTICLE V: POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CHAIR PERSON, CO-CHAIR-PERSON FINANCIAL CO-ORDINATOR AND SECRETARY

- 1. Chair-Person shall be responsible for convening the meeting and setting the agenda of the meeting.
- 2. Co-Chair shall have the responsibility to make sure that the resolutions passed by the student council are duly communicated to the relevant parties, student body, relevant committee, any university authority or to any person who shall be relevant from time to time.
- 3. Co-Chair shall be responsible for convening the meeting and setting the agenda of the meeting in the absence of Chair Person.
  - Notwithstanding anything contained in the above three clauses the Agenda shall be set in adherence to the rules mentioned in clause 6 of this article.
- 4. Secretary shall be responsible for documenting the workings of the Student Council including but not limited to minutes of the meetings, actions taken by the student council.
- 5. Financial Co-ordinator shall be responsible to keep a check on the financial matters of all the committee and shall have the power to call for financial records of any committee.
  - *Provided* that the order to call for financial records of any committee has to be sanctioned by the student council by special majority.
- 6. Rules for setting agenda
  - a. Agenda can be tabled by any student council member.
  - b. No agenda can be rejected by the student council without being tabled for discussion.
  - c. The agenda needs to be tabled and discussed within two meetings and cannot be delayed further.
  - d. If at least three members of student council think that any agenda should be discussed on an urgent and priority basis then the chair shall table the same in that very meeting.

# ARTICLE VI: APPOINTMENT, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF FACULTY ADVISOR

- 1. There shall be a faculty advisor for the Student Council.
- The outgoing student council shall recommend three teachers for the position of faculty advisor out of which the Vice chancellor shall choose anyone of whom is agreeable to the newly elected student council.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As amended by the CONSTITUTION OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL (FIRST AMENDMENT), 2021.



- 3. The faculty advisor of the student council shall not be the faculty advisor of any other committee.
- 4. The outgoing student council shall recommend names for the position of faculty advisor within 7 days of the commencement of the academic session.
- 5. The faculty advisor shall only have supervisory power and functions in the functioning of student council and instructions/orders/recommendations of the faculty advisor shall not be binding on the Student Council.
- 6. The faculty advisor can call for records of proceedings including meetings, actions taken and any other document which forms a part of the working of the student council.
  Provided that the Student Council can refuse to forward such information if the student council by a
  - simple majority decides that such information can only disseminated to the Vice Chancellor.
- 7. The faculty advisor may call for a meeting of the Student Council as and when he/she deems fit.

# ARTICLE VII: DISQUALIFICATION OF STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBER

- 1. No student shall be a member of Student Council if a disciplinary action has been taken against them for any of the following:
  - a) Possession or consumption any narcotic drug as defined in The Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985;
  - b) Possession or consumption of any tobacco product;
  - c) Possession or consumption of any alcohol beverages;
  - d) Any misconduct against any member of this university;
  - e) Vandalism
  - f) Any act which is punishable under Indian law.

Provided further that the student has been served a show cause notice, and the two principals of natural justice i.e. "nemo in propria causa judex, esse debel" and "audi alteram partem" have been followed.

- 2. If a student has been guilty for any crime under Indian law which attracts punishment of 7 years or more then s/he shall stand permanently disqualified.
- 3. No member of the student council shall simultaneously be a member of any other committee. If a student is a member of any committee(s) at the time of elections, it shall not act as a disqualification at the offset, but in a scenario where such candidate gets elected, the candidate shall have to rescind either of the two or more memberships of committee(s).

Explanation – Any person found guilty of any act mentioned in this article shall not be allowed to contest in the immediately succeeding student council elections and if the student found guilty is an existing member of the student council, he/she shall by the virtue of this article stand disqualified.



#### ARTICLE VIII: RETURNING OFFICER\* 3

1. The Faculty Advisor shall act as the de-facto Returning Officer for the purpose of supervision of the election process.

Provided that in case of unavailability of the Faculty Advisor, the outgoing Student Council may recommend the name of another faculty member to the Vice-Chancellor for the post of Returning Officer.

*Provided further* that the Vice-Chancellor shall within 2 working days of receiving such recommendation, notify the appointment of the recommended faculty member to act as the Returning Officer.

- 2. The Returning Officer shall be responsible:
  - a) To ensure free, fair, and timely conduct of the elections;
  - b) To enforce the Electoral Code of Conduct as prescribed;
  - c) To adjudicate upon any grievance or complaint received under Article IX (5).

#### ARTICLE IX: ELECTIONS<sup>4</sup>

The elections shall be conducted by the outgoing Student Council, by notifying the initiation of the election process to the Student Body Association, not later than 45 days of the commencement of the academic session.

*Provided* that if the outgoing Student Council is unable to conduct the elections within the prescribed period, it shall communicate the appropriate reasons of such inability to the Student Body Association on or before the 45th day of the commencement of the academic session.

*Provided also* that no member of the outgoing Student Council who is seeking re-election shall be allowed to participate in the process of conducting the elections; and shall recuse himself/herself by mailing to the Returning Officer immediately after the notification of initiation of the election process.

Provided further that if the member of the outgoing Student Council who is seeking re-election is found participating in the conduct of the elections, he shall immediately stand disqualified from contesting the elections.

# 1. Pre-Voting Procedure

The following procedure shall be followed for the conduct of elections:

- a) The official email ID of the Student Council shall be used for the email correspondences concerning the election process, except for the purpose of polling.
- b) Notwithstanding anything provided herein, all correspondences concerning the election process shall also be marked as copy to the Returning Officer's official email ID.
- c) For the purpose of polling, the official email id of the Returning Officer shall be used.

 $<sup>^{3}</sup>$  As amended by the Constitution Of The Student Council (First Amendment), 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> As amended by the Constitution Of The Student Council (First Amendment), 2021.



- d) For the purpose of confidentiality of votes polled, the access to the medium of electric polling and the results derived therefrom shall vest exclusively with the Returning Officer.
- e) The outgoing Student Council shall prepare a "Schedule of dates" and notify the same along with the notification of initiation of the election process.
  - *Provided* that the Schedule of dates shall provide for not more than 7 days for the conclusion of the election process.
- f) The outgoing Student Council shall prepare a "List of Voters" as per Schedule I of this Constitution and notify the same to the Student Body Association.
- g) Each member of the Student Body Association shall be eligible to vote for the election of their respective batch representative(s).
- h) For the purpose of the election, the outgoing Student Council shall, through its official email ID, call for the nominations from the Student Body Association.
- i) Subject to the provisions of this clause, the interested members of the Student Body Association may file their nominations in the format prescribed under Annexure I.
  - *Provided* that the candidate who seeks to file the nomination must declare its intent of doing so to its respective batch, and attach the proof of such declaration with the nomination form.
- j) The Candidates who have filed the nomination must be provided a prescribed period of time to allow them to withdraw their candidature.
  - *Provided* that the candidate who seeks to withdraw the nomination must declare its reasons of doing so to its respective batch, and attach the proof of declaration with the formal request of withdrawal.
- k) Subject to the sub-clause (i) and (j) of this Article, if at the end of the withdrawal period, only a single candidate's name remains for the post of batch representative, an additional window of 24 hours must be provided to allow any other interested candidate to file its nomination.
- I) After the receipt of the nominations under the aforementioned provisions and verification of the same by the Returning Officer, the outgoing Student Council shall notify the list of valid nominations to the Student Body Association.
  - *Provided* that in case no candidate seeks to contest the election for the post of the batch representative from any batch, the nomination of the batch representative shall be done by the Vice-Chancellor.
  - *Provided further* that for the purpose of such nomination by the Vice-Chancellor, the newly elected student council shall open a call for applications from the concerned batch.
  - *Provided also* that the Vice-Chancellor shall conclude the process of nominations within 2 working days, after the receipt of all the applications from the concerned batch.

#### 2. Voting Procedure

Notwithstanding anything provided in this constitution, the outgoing Student Council shall solely resort to electronic means for the purpose of conducting the election process in the manner as prescribed.



#### 3. Counting of Votes

The following procedure shall be followed for the counting of votes:

- a) The candidate receiving the highest number of votes, as per the first-past-the-post system, shall be declared as an elected member of the Student Council.
  - *Provided* that if only a single candidate seeks to contest the elections for the post of batch representative, he/she shall, by default, be declared as an elected member of the Student Council.
  - Illustration: If, in an election a total of 100 votes are polled, candidate A gets 10 votes, candidate B gets 40 votes, and candidate C gets 50 votes, the winner is candidate C.
- b) In case the counting ends in a tie, the final result of the election shall be determined by the draw of lots.
- c) Upon conclusion of the polling, the Returning Officer shall immediately prepare the vote count list in accordance with the Schedule I and notify the same to the Student Body Association.
- d) The notification of the vote count list shall be deemed as the conclusion of the election process.
- e) The outgoing Student Council shall ensure the conduct of the first meeting of the newly elected Student Council within 48 hours of the conclusion of the election process, for the purpose of deciding the post bearers of the new Student Council, as per the procedure prescribed in Article IV of the Constitution.

#### 4. Electoral Code of Conduct

At the time of notification of the initiation of the election process, the outgoing Student Council shall publish an Electoral Code of Conduct to ensure free and fair elections which shall immediately come into force and shall remain operational until the conclusion of the election process.

Provided that the contents of Schedule II must necessarily be included in the Electoral Code of Conduct.

# 5. Grievances & Complaints

- a) Any grievance or complaint in relation to the violation of the electoral code of conduct or the election process shall be raised with the Returning Officer, via email, along with the appropriate proof.
- b) Upon receipt of any complaint under the aforementioned sub-clause, the Returning Officer shall adjudicate the complaint in accordance with the principles of natural justice, and shall presume a candidate to be innocent unless prima facie evident otherwise from the proof submitted.
- c) Upon adjudication of any complaint filed under this clause, the Returning Officer may disqualify the candidacy of the candidate or remove the candidate from the Student Council, as the case may be. Provided that the reasons for such disqualification shall be notified to the Student Body Association. Provided further that in case any disqualification occurs after the conclusion of the elections, the vacancy arising thereof shall be addressed as per Article XV of this Constitution.



#### ARTICLE X: COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCES TO THE STUDENT COUNCIL

- 1. The following scenarios shall warrant direct approach to the Student Council:
  - a) Any complain or grievance against the administration by a committee member or a student.
  - b) Any complain against any committee by any other committee member or a student.
  - c) Any grievance for which there is no established forum for its resolution or redressal.
- 2. Any grievance for whose redressal there already exists a forum, student(s) or committee(s) shall approach the student council only after exhausting that forum.
  - Provided that the above clause is subject to exhaustion of reasonable time.
- 3. Notwithstanding anything in the aforementioned clauses of this article, the student council can suomoto take cognizance of any matter under this article through any member of the student council.

#### ARTICLE XI: REMOVAL OF A MEMBER BY STUDENT COUNCIL

# 1. Removal by student council

- a) Removal by petition-The following steps shall be followed for the removal of a member of the Student Council by petition
  - i. Twenty percent of the members of the Student Body Association who are eligible to vote for the members of the Student Council shall submit the petition form (Annexure 2) to the Student Council and its faculty Advisor.
  - ii. The member of the student council shall, within 3 working days of receiving the petition convene a meeting and decide upon the charges as mentioned in the petition.
  - iii. The members of the Student council through a resolution shall approve/disapprove the validity of the petition by examining the originality of the petition and the charges levied by approving it by at-least one half of the total strength of the student council for its admittance. Two-third majority of the total members of student council present and voting.
    - *Provided* that all the reasoning given by each member shall be recorded in the form and the scanned copies of the same shall be sent to the Student Body Association.
  - iv. If the charges against the member are approved by the student council, then the student council depending upon the gravity of the charges, may send the same either to a panel or may open it for voting from the Student Body Association.
  - v. If the petition is rejected by the student council, then the same shall be communicated to the Student Body Association.
  - vi. Pursuant to the rejection of the petition, if twenty percent of the Student Body Association refers the petition back to the Student Council, then the Student Council must give their assent to the petition and open it to the Student Body Association for referendum.
  - vii. If the referendum is approved by two-third majority of the Student Body Association, the concerned student council member shall be removed with immediate effect.



- b) Removal by referendum by Student Body Association: A member of the student council shall be removed by the process of referendum provided that:
  - i. The petition to remove the member was submitted the second time as mentioned in clause (a)(i) of the previous clause and
  - ii. At least two third of the Student Body Association has voted for the removal.
- c) Removal by Attendance: A student council may be removed for lack of attendance.
  - i. Automatic Removal- A Student Council member is automatically removed after five absences, or, should no notice or excuse be given for them, three absences.
  - ii. Override Vote Upon removal by attendance, that automatic removal may be overridden at the next Student Council meeting by a majority vote of the present and voting Members.
  - iii. Semesters Absences shall be counted per semester and are not cumulative over successive semesters.
- d) Removal by Vote of No Confidence: A Student Council member shall be removed by a successful vote of No Confidence.
  - i. Petition- A vote of No Confidence may be called upon by a petition of five Voting Members and thereafter approval of the petition by a special majority of the SC.
  - ii. Special Meeting- If called, a special meeting of the Student Body Association shall be scheduled within two weeks from the date of the meeting at which the petition is presented or, should a break occur within that time frame, within 10 days from the conclusion of that break. That meeting cannot be closed and the Vote of No Confidence shall be the only agenda item. The petitioners and the officeholder are guaranteed rights to speak at the meeting.
  - iii. Successful Vote- A Student Council member shall be removed from office upon a vote by 50% of the total strength of the student council and three-fourth of the members present and voting expressing no Confidence in the member.

# 2. Removal by a batch

If a batch has lost confidence in its student representative, then the batch may submit a petition approved by two third of the batch, to the student council pursuant to this the member shall be removed from the student council with immediate effect.

#### ARTICLE XII: DISSOLUTION OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL BY THE ADMINISTRATION

If the Vice Chancellor is convinced that the Student Council is not functioning in consonance with the objectives as laid down by this constitution, s/he shall have the power to dissolve the Student Council by giving due notice of 48 working hours and reasons in writing behind such dissolution following which the student council may approach the Vice Chancellor for a resolution.



Provided that if fifty-one percent of the Student Body Association forwards a petition to the Vice Chancellor requesting the Vice Chancellor to reconsider his/her decision to dissolve the Student Council, the Vice Chancellor may do so.

#### ARTICLE XIII: MEETINGS AND RESOLUTION

#### 1. Meetings

- a) General Body Meeting: Student council may call a general body meeting comprising of all the members of Student Body Association whenever necessary to discuss matters of interest and concerns of the general body. The quorum for the same shall be one third of the total members of the Student Body Association.
  - *Provided* that a general body meeting shall be conducted at the end of every semester by the Student Council.
- b) <u>Student Council Meeting:</u> Members of student council shall meet once every month of the academic session. Quorum for the same shall be 7 members.
- c) Special Meeting: Student council may call a special meeting comprising of Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, members of student council and any staff member deemed necessary by the student council and/or Vice-Chancellor.
  - *Provided* that the quorum of student council for the executive meeting shall be more than one half of the total strength of the student council.

#### 2. Resolutions

Student council shall make decision through simple resolution or special resolution as required by this constitution or any by-laws made here after.

- a) <u>Simple resolution</u>: Resolution passed by a simple majority of a members of student council present and voting shall be simple resolution.
- b) <u>Special resolution:</u> Resolution passed by a special majority of two third members of the present and voting and one half of the total strength of the student council.

# ARTICLE XIV: STANDING COMMITTEE

#### 1. Creation

a) A standing committee comprising of students from the Student Body Association other than the members of the student council may be created by a three-fifths vote of the total of present and voting members of the Student Council.



#### 2. Dissolution

- a) A standing committee has no termination date but must be reauthorized by a majority vote of the voting members present or voting by proxy within the first month of the new term of the Student Council. If it is not reauthorized, the committee shall be dissolved within a week of such resolution by the Council.
- b) At any time, a three-fifths vote of the total voting members of the Student Council may dissolve a standing committee.

# 3. Responsibilities & Membership

- a) The responsibilities, powers, and purview of the committee shall be clearly stated in the *Memorandum of Incorporation* of the committee. The membership of the committee will be in accordance with the memorandum.
- b) The Student Council may modify the *Memorandum of Incorporation* of a committee by a three-fifths vote of the total voting members of the Student Council.

#### ARTICLE XV: VACANCY

If a position is vacant in the Student Council, the student council shall ask the faculty advisor from which the vacancy has arisen to conduct an election in accordance with the procedure as laid down in article IX within seven days from the date of such vacancy.

#### ARTICLE XVI: RIGHT TO PROTEST

Any member(s) of Student Body Association shall have a right to protest against any action of any stakeholder of the university provided that a prior notice to the administration has been given to the concerned party at least 24 hours in advance.

#### ARTICLE XVII: CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE

- 1. This constitution shall be reviewed by a committee of three members nominated by the faculty advisor once in every two years.
  - *Provided* that no member of the existing student council shall be a member the constitution review committee.
- 2. The committee shall recommend to the Student Council about the changes in the constitution after inviting and collecting suggestions from the members of Student Body Association, who may or may not accept them.
- 3. The Student Council shall then notify the reasons behind their acceptance/rejection of recommendations known to the Student Body Association.



#### ARTICLE XVIII: AMENDMENTS AND BY-LAWS

#### 1. Amendments

- a) Amendment by Referendum: Amendments to this constitution can be made by a petition for a referendum, made to the Student Council by not less than twenty percent of the Student Body Association.
- b) <u>Amendment initiation by Student Council Members:</u> Student Council may propose a petition to amend the constitution by a four-fifths majority of its Members.

Provided that no proxy votes shall be allowed.

*Passage:* The amendment shall be ratified by at least thirty percent of the student body in the referendum and at least two-thirds of the Student Body Association participate in the voting process.

Explanation: For the purposes of referendum the student council may employ electronic medium to conduct the aforementioned procedure.

# 2. Bylaws of the Student Council

The Student Council may adopt bylaws that are not in conflict with this constitution by simple majority vote of the present and voting members.

#### ARTICLE XIX: INTERPRETATION

- 1. If any member of Student Body Association seeks to challenge any interpretation of any part of this constitution and subsequent bylaws, then the member shall submit a written petition presenting the case to the student council.
- 2. Student council shall consider the petition in the next student council meeting.
- 3. If the petitioner seeks hearing related to be petition, then the student council shall be bound to hear him/her.
- 4. The student council shall pass the resolution after at least four fifth of the student council members present in the meeting approves the interpretation.
- 5. The interpretation decided by the student council shall be final and binding and cannot be amended by any other body.

#### ARTICLE XX: REMOVAL OF DIFFICULTY

If any difficulty arises within six months of the notification of this constitution in giving effect to any provision of this constitution, the student council in consultation with the faculty advisor may make such order, not inconsistent with the provisions of this constitution, as may appear to be necessary for the purpose of removing the difficulty.



#### SCHEDULE- I 5

1. The Outgoing Student Council shall create a list of all boys and girls separately of a batch with their roll no. which shall be known as the "list of voters" (Table 1)

#### Table 1

Batch of XXXX		List of Voters (Boys)/ (Girls)
S. No	Roll No.	Name

2. The Returning Officer shall create a "Vote Count List" (Table 2)

#### Table 2

Batch of XXXX		Vote Count List (Boys)/(Girls)		
Total No of Votes Polled:				
Name	Vote	Elected / Not- Elected		
Candidate 1				
Candidate 2				

#### SCHEDULE - II 6

The contents which must be included in the Electoral Code of Conduct are as follows:

- 1. The candidates must not indulge in any discriminatory practices on the grounds of race, religion, caste, region etc.
- 2. The candidates must not use any political affiliations to secure votes.
- 3. The candidates must not indulge in unfair practices including, but not limited to, use of monetary or non-monetary incentive to secure votes.
- 4. The candidates must not be assisted by any of the faculty members/ non-teaching staff/administrative staff/student committees.
- 5. The candidates or their affiliates must not use any kind of social media handles to promote their candidature.

The contents provided in the Electoral Code of Conduct are indispensable for the conduct of free and fair elections. Any kind of violation to the Electoral Code of Conduct shall invite appropriate punishment including the disqualification of the candidature. Any complaint concerning the violation of the Electoral Code of Conduct shall be addressed as per Article IX (5) of this Constitution.

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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 5}$  As amended by the Constitution Of The Student Council (First Amendment), 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> As amended by the Constitution Of The Student Council (First Amendment), 2021.



# ANNEXURE I

Nomination Form	
Name –	
Roll No. – 20/BLLB./	
Previous Disciplinary Actions with date (if any) –	
(Along with the attached proof of declaration of intent)	
	Signature of the Student
Annexure II	I
Petition Form	
Grievances:	
Total Number of Signatories (attach the document Contain	ning the Signatures with this form) in words-
(Note: This form will be valid only if there are at least 10 signal	atures on this form itself)



#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

#### **Drafters of the Constitution**

The **Batch of 2014-19** initiated the drafting of this Constitution of the Student Council in the Academic Year 2017-2018. The SBA is and will remain grateful to them for their efforts in seeing through our Constitution.

# Constitution of the Student Council (First Amendment), 2021

The following students of the SBA constituted the Standing Committee in the Academic Year 2020-21 [Formed in April, 2021] for reviewing and amending the election procedure in the Constitution. The SBA is and will remain grateful to them for their efforts in seeing through the Constitution of the Student Council (First Amendment), 2021.

Arshit Kapoor (Batch of 2018-2023)

Pradhumna Mohan Dixit (Batch of 2018-2023)

**Prasoon** (Batch of 2018-2023)

Arsh Singh (Batch of 2019-24)

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