



2020-2021 CANDIDATE APPLICATION

for Executive Officer and Senator

**Student Government Association
Texas A&M University-Commerce
Rayburn Student Center
Commerce, TX 75429**

Name (Print): _____

**Applications must be returned to SGA Office to be considered for candidacy.
No late applications will be accepted.**

Qualifications for Candidates

To qualify for the position of Student Senator or Executive Officer, you must be a regularly enrolled student at Texas A&M University-Commerce (an undergraduate must be registered for at least nine hours each long semester during his/her term of office, and a graduate student must be enrolled for at least six hours each long semester during his/her term of office). Each applicant must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or greater at the time of application. Transfer students need a 2.5 or greater from their previous institution. Incoming Freshmen do not need a GPA to be a part of the organization, but need to achieve at least a 2.5 after their first semester as Senator. In addition, applicants must be in good standing at the time of submitting their application and must maintain that standing if they are elected into the Senate. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation with at least one (1) being from faculty or staff while applicants within their first academic semester are required to provide one (1) letter of recommendation.

Senate Members are expected to:

- Promptly and regularly attend Senate meetings held in a designated room in the Rayburn Student Center at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays.
- Act as a leader, organizer, and representative of the Student Government Association.
- Adhere to the rules and regulations of the SGA Governing Documents.
- Act as a liaison between the students, various campus organizations, administration, faculty, and staff.
- Attend all conferences and meetings that affect the interests of the student body.
- Fulfill two office hours per week throughout the course of their term.
 - Executive Officers must complete ten office hours per week during their term.

The Student Senate is a serious organization designed to serve, represent, empower, meet the needs, and protect the rights of Texas A&M University-Commerce students. This responsibility should not be taken lightly. Prospective applicants must be willing to make a total commitment to the interests of students and the success of the Student Government Association.

For more information about SGA positions, election rules, and organizational structure, please visit www.tamuc.edu/sga to access all important documents. Please send any questions to our Advisor, Jeremy Sippel at Jeremy.Sippel@tamuc.edu.

Candidate Applicant Required Information

Name: _____

Position Sought (can only select 2): President VP/Senate Chair VP/Senate Affairs
 At-Large Senator Academic College Senator

Only if applying for Academic College Senator, select College/School you belong to:

- College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources College of Business
 College of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Arts College of Innovation and Design
 College of Education and Human Services College of Science and Engineering
 School of Nursing and Health Sciences

Phone Number: (_____)_____-_____
Email: _____

Address: _____

Classification: _____ CWID: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

T-shirt size: _____

On an additional sheet of paper, please write a one page personal statement. Examples of topics to include are: past student government experiences, other leadership experiences, goals in life, experiences that you have grown from as a leader/person, what is your vision of your involvement/contribution to SGA. These are just a few examples to get you started.

Senate Application Checklist

- Information Complete One-Page Personal Interest Letter Slip of Good Standing Two Letters of Reference

Statement of Authorization

My signature below acknowledges that I have read and understand the qualifications and responsibilities of a Senator and Executive Officer as set forth in the Constitution and governing documents of the Student Government Association.

By signing below, I am also authorizing agents of Texas A&M University-Commerce to release pertinent information (grades, letters, etc.) to the SGA Election Board and Executive Officers for the purpose of verifying the information contained in or with my application and for otherwise determining my eligibility for a position on the Student Senate. Furthermore, I release my personal statement to be read by the entire SGA Senate in the candidacy process.

Signature

Date