

Students Council

The purpose of the Students Council (SC) is to provide programs, activities and services which serve the co-curricular, cultural, social, recreational and educational interest of students at the University and Colleges. The SC seeks to contribute to the development of students' leadership skills and experience, program planning and development, volunteering, and fiscal management "Students' Council" means the Students' Council established under section 99 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 (Mah Act No VI of 2017). The act was passed on Thursday 08-12-2016 with a view to improve quality of higher education. The act has a number of innovative sections for the betterment of students, teachers, colleges and Universities.

Section 99 of the act provides for the formation of student union or associated student body, which distinctively called as Students' Council. There shall be a University Students' Council and a College Students' Council for each affiliated college to look after the welfare of the students and to promote and co-ordinate the extra-curricular activities of different student's associations for better corporate life. It is specifically noted in the act that the Councils shall not engage in political activities. This chartered student council shall be authorized by University to receive and dispense students' activity fee funds.

Some provisions of the section relating to the formation of Students Council at college level are:

The College Students' Council for each institution, conducted college or affiliated college shall consist of the following members, namely:

- a) President, elected by an electoral college consisting of students who are engaged in full time studies in that college;
- b) Secretary, elected by an electoral college consisting of students who are engaged in full time studies in that college;
- c) One lady representative, elected by an electoral college consisting of students who are engaged in full time studies in that college; (L-R)
- d) One representative belonging to Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes or De-notified Tribes (Vimukta Jatis) or Nomadic Tribes or Other Backward Classes, by rotation, elected by an electoral college consisting of students who are engaged in

full time studies in that college: provided that the University shall decide the category of reservation for each college for the purpose of this clause by drawing lots; (R-R Reservation Representative)

e) One student from each class, elected by an electoral college consisting of students who are engaged in full time studies in that class; (C-R)

f) One student each on the basis of prescribed criteria Nominated by the Principal from the students who are engaged in

(i) National Service Scheme (NSS-R), (ii) National Cadet Corps (NCC-R), (iii) Sports (S-R) and (iv) Cultural Activities (CA-R)

g) And from among the staff One senior teacher as coordinator of the Students' Council appointed by the

principal of the college, and As permanent invitees from

ii. Director, Sports and Physical Education,

iii. NSS Program Officer and

iv. NCC Officer

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The procedure for election, the powers and duties, authority for the conduct of election, mechanism for conduct of such elections, code of conduct for the candidates and election administrators and grievances redressal mechanism in respect of such election shall be such as may be specified by the State Government, by orders published in the Official Gazette.