

Application deadline: Tuesday, September 12, 2017



Application *for the position of* First Year Representative

for the 2017-2018 school year

As a Student Senator, you will attend meetings once a week and make decisions on behalf of the student body. The purpose of the *Student Senate* is to represent the interests of students of Bluffton University by providing an organization through which student opinion may be voiced in regard to Bluffton University and to issues pertinent to the student interest, to coordinate student activities, and to distribute allotted funds to official campus groups. This is an excellent leadership opportunity and a great way to be involved.

The following is taken from the Student Senate Constitution:

Article III, Section 5: Duties and Powers of the Senators

- A. Each Senator is responsible to be informed of campus activities and to be keenly aware of student opinion.
- B. Each Senator is responsible for bringing pertinent issues and legislation to the Student Senate, and cooperating with the general purposes of this governing body.
- C. Each Senator is specifically responsible for bringing matters of concern within his or her designated area to the attention of the Student Senate, to advise the President on matters related to his or her area, and to initiate and promote improvement in that area.
- D. Each Senator is responsible for attending all regularly scheduled meeting of the Student Senate. More than four absences from regularly scheduled Student Senate meetings during an academic year constitutes an automatic suspension from the Student Senate, unless the Student Senate, in view of the reasons for the absenteeism overrides this dismissal.

Requirements to run for the position of First Year Representative:

- Fill out the application below
- Have **47** individuals from YOUR CLASS sign your petition (20% of your class)
- Attend at least one Student Senate meeting prior to the election on **Thursday, September 14th, 2017**
- Turn in your application by **Tuesday, September 12th, 2017** to box 543.

Application for Student Senator

Name: _____

Major: _____

Marbeck box: _____ Phone Number: _____

On a separate, typed page please respond to the following:

1. Please list your current campus activities at Bluffton University, and explain your involvement in each.
2. Why are you interested in being a First Year Representative on Student Senate?
3. What are you passionate about?

On the attached page, please obtain the signatures of 20% of your class (47 individuals).

Elections will be held **Thursday, September 14th, 2017**

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