

2008 GSG ELECTION PLAN
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This election plan has been drafted by the 2008 GSG Election Committee for the 2008 GSG Officer Elections. The Election Committee can be reached at: <gsgelect@Princeton.EDU>.

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The items in the election plan are organized by date. *Items in italics are comments or non-committee items.*
Items in bold are particularly important. ~~Items in strikethrough have already been completed.~~

~~December 12 (Wednesday):~~

~~GSG Assembly forms Election Committee.~~

January 2 (Wednesday) (or earlier):

Approve and send election plan to GSG Assembly.

Last year's election plan can be found at

<http://www.princeton.edu/~gsgelect/2007/2007_Election_Plan2.pdf>.

~~January 3 (Thursday) (or earlier):~~

~~Get Election Committee email & listserv working.~~

The Election Committee email account is <gsgelect@Princeton.EDU>; this account is used for all contact with the graduate student body. The internal discussion list is <gsg-election@Princeton.EDU>, which archives to gsgelect@.

January 3 (Thursday) (or earlier):

Send global for election committee vacancy / elections teaser.

A "global" is an email to the entire graduate student body.

January 6 (Sunday):

Winter recess ends.

January 7 (Monday) (or earlier):

Get election website working.

This is the website at <<http://www.princeton.edu/~gsgelect/>>. It should include the election plan, an overview of the election process & timeline, and a summary of the duties of each office. It should also include a list of candidates, candidate statements, and election results, as they become available. See last year's (same address, or linked from old minutes) for more information.

January 9 (Wednesday):

GSG Assembly modifies & approves plan.

January 11 (Friday) (or earlier):

Ensure that the GSG housing & parking privileges are still in effect.

January 12 (Saturday) (or earlier):

Post approved election plan online.

January 12 (Saturday) (or earlier):

Send initial global soliciting nominations & announcing election.

Any member of the graduate student body may nominate any member of the graduate student body, including themselves. People can be nominated for multiple offices. As with all communication, nominations should be sent to <gsselect@Princeton.EDU>.

January 22 (Tuesday):

Send intermediate global soliciting nominations.

January 26 (Saturday):

Fall term ends.

February 1 (Friday):

Send last-minute global soliciting nominations.

February 4 (Monday):

Spring term begins.

February 4 (Monday) (11:59pm):

Deadline for nominations.

February 5 (Tuesday) (or earlier):

Inform nominees of their nomination.

This includes the following: encourage nominees to run for office and submit candidate statements; ask nominees about scheduling for the "meet the candidates" forum; inform nominees that are ET-DCC (or otherwise haven't paid GSG due) that they need to pay dues to be eligible.

February 12 (Tuesday) (11:59pm):

Deadline for unregistered students to pay fee to be eligible for candidacy.

This does not apply to DCE students. This applies only to ET-DCC students, and maybe a few others.

February 12 (Tuesday) (11:59pm):

Deadline for declaration of candidacy & candidate statements.

February 13 (Wednesday):

Present candidates and any irregularities to GSG Assembly.

For example, "irregularities" include candidate statements that are against University Policy.

February 13 (Wednesday):

GSG Assembly approves candidates.

February 15 (Friday) (or earlier):

Decide date and location for "meet the candidates" forum.

February 15 (Friday) (or earlier):

Send global and post candidate list & "meet the candidates" forum.

Post candidate statements online and include a link in the global.

[Tentative] February 27 (Wednesday) (6:00pm):

Hold the "meet the candidates" forum.

February 24 (Sunday) (or earlier):

Determine quorum for election.

February 24 (Sunday) (or earlier):

Get balloting website working.

As in the past, voting will be done online using the automated websurvey system.

February 26 (Tuesday):

Send global announcing polling dates.

Include note that ET-DCC students need to pay GSG dues to be eligible to vote.

February 29 (Friday) (11:59pm):

Deadline for unregistered students to pay GSG fee to be eligible to vote.

March 1 (Saturday) (12:00am):

Polls open.

March 1 (Saturday):

Send initial global for voting.

March 4 (Tuesday):

Send intermediate global for voting.

March 7 (Friday):

Send last-minute global for voting.

March 7 (Friday) (11:59pm):

Polls close.

March 11 (Tuesday) (or earlier):

Submit preliminary election results to GSG Assembly and candidates.

March 12 (Wednesday):

GSG Assembly certifies results.

March 19 (Wednesday) (or earlier):

Send global and post results.

April 8 (Tuesday) (or earlier):

Submit final election report to GSG Assembly.

This report may include future recommendations. If possible, this report will be presented at the March GSG Assembly meeting. The 2008 GSG Election Committee will be dissolved at the end of the GSG Assembly meeting when the final election report is presented.