Information on Officer Eligibility

Eligibility

As per UNT Policy 18.4.2, in order to be eligible to serve as an officer, a student must:

- During Fall and Spring semesters, be currently enrolled at the University of North Texas and pay student service fees for a minimum of:
  - six semester credit hours as an undergraduate or post-baccalaureate student,
  - five semester credit hours as a graduate student, or
  - three semester credit hours as a graduate student registered for dissertation or thesis hours;
- Maintain a minimum UNT cumulative grade point average (GPA for all UNT classes only) of 2.4 during the student’s term of office. The GPA from a previous educational institution is acceptable if the student is an officer during the first semester of enrollment at UNT; and
- Be in good disciplinary standing, as defined by the Code of Student Conduct.

A person who fails to meet any one of the eligibility criteria is automatically ineligible to serve as an officer until all criteria are met or an appeal is granted.

Eligibility Appeals

If a person believes that they have extenuating circumstances that have contributed to ineligibility, they may submit an appeal.

- An appeal may only be granted for the current semester, and a student may only be granted one appeal per eligibility criterion within two consecutive long semesters. For example, if a student is granted a GPA appeal in Spring 2016, she may not be granted another GPA appeal in Fall 2016. However, she may be granted an enrollment hours appeal in Fall 2016 (but not again in Spring 2017).
- Within seven business days of being notified of their ineligibility, students may submit a written appeal for consideration by the appropriate entity:
  - For GPA and/or enrollment hours: A student not eligible to serve as an officer due to GPA and/or enrollment hours may submit an appeal and supporting documentation, addressing the mitigating circumstances behind their ineligibility and reasons for believing that the problem has been resolved, to the Eligibility Appeals Committee. That appeal can be submitted here.
  - For disciplinary standing: A student not eligible to serve as an officer due to not being in good disciplinary standing may be able to request reconsideration or review using the procedures outlined in the Code of Student Conduct. Reconsideration and review are procedures that allow a student to ask that sanctions assigned under the Code of Student Conduct be re-evaluated. Students should contact the Dean of Students office at 940-565-2039 for more information.
- Appeals shall be processed within 14 school days of receipt, and the decision is final.