

Rules of the Student Union of South-Eastern University of Applied Sciences

1. Chapter Student union

1 § Student Union

The name of the Student Union is Kaakkois-Suomen ammattikorkeakoulun opiskelijakunta. In English the full name is Student Union of South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences. Also, the abbreviation Student Union Kaakko can be used.

The home city of the student union is Kouvola.

The language of the student union is the teaching and degree language specified in the university of applied sciences' operating license

The student union has autonomy.

2 § Purpose and tasks

The activity of the student union is based on Section 41 of the Universities of applied sciences act (932/2014).

The purpose of the student union is to act as a unifying bond for its members and to promote their societal, social, and mental aspirations, as well as their goals related to studying and the student's position in society.

The specific tasks of the student union are:

1. To select representatives of students to the bodies referred to in Chapter 4 of the universities of the applied sciences Act.
2. To participate, if necessary, in the implementation of tasks related to student healthcare as stipulated in Section 17 of the Health Care Act (1326/2010) and the Act on Student Health Services for Higher Education Students (695/2019). (17.5.2019/699)

3 § Rights, wealth and funding of activity

The student union may acquire rights in its name, enter commitments, own immovable property, real estate and shares, receive legacies and donations, collect funds with the relevant license, engage in economic activities to finance its activities, and act as plaintiff and defendant.

2. Chapter Members

4 § Members

The student union can include students in degree programs at the South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences. Additionally, exchange students participating in degree-oriented education at the South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences can also become members. The student union may also accept other students from the South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences as its members. Member who hasn't paid the membership fee during the academic year is considered to have resigned.

The representative council can, with a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote, dismiss a member who has significantly harmed the student union through their actions, either within or outside the student union.

Member can resign from the student union by notifying the resignation in writing to the board or its chairperson, or by announcing the resignation at a meeting of the representative council to be marked in the minutes.

5 § Honorary member

The student union's representative council may appoint as an honorary member a person who has significantly contributed to the activities of the student union and whom the student union wishes to honor. The proposed honorary member must receive two-thirds (2/3) of the votes present in the representative council. A reasoned proposal for an honorary member can be made by the student union's board, a member of the representative council, or at least twenty (20) members of the student union.

The student union must maintain a list of its honorary members.

6 § Support member

The student union may accept natural persons as well as legal entities who wish to support the activities of the Student Union as supporting members. The supporting members are approved by the student union's board.

7 § The rights and duties of members

The student union's representative council and board must ensure that the members of the student union have the opportunity to participate in and influence the activities of the student union.

The student union must openly inform its members about the matters being discussed within the student union as well as the members' opportunities to influence those matters.

In the student union elections and member votes, the right to vote is held by a member of the student union who has registered as present at the university of applied sciences. In the student union elections and member votes, all eligible voters have equal voting rights.

The members of the student union have the right to benefit from the advantages, rights, and services resulting from the activities of the student union. The student union has the right to charge fees for its services according to the prices determined by the student union.

8 § Membership fee

The student union's representative council has the right, to determine the amount of the membership fee and supporting membership fee, as well as any other possible fees related to membership, when approving the budget. The membership fee is collected at the same amount from all members of the student union who have registered as present. It is possible to pay the membership fee for multiple years at once. Honorary members are exempt from paying the membership fee. The student union's board decides on the method and time of collecting the membership fee.

When the student union's board proposes the amount of the membership fee for the following financial year, the board must consider the prepared budget, the financial situation of the student union, and any necessary investments and depreciations.

3. Chapter

Regulations regarding administration

9 § Decision-making authority and conflict of interest

The highest decision-making authority of the student union is held by the representative council, elected by the members of the student union. The representative council establishes a board for the preparation and implementation of matters, and the board exercises administrative and executive authority in accordance with the provisions of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act within the matters determined by the rules of the student union.

In the elections and member votes of the student union's representative council, all members of the student union enrolled at the South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences have equal voting rights. Employees of the student union who are in permanent employment or have been employed in a fixed-term position for at least six (6) months are not eligible to stand as candidates for the representative council or the board.

Members of the board are ineligible to serve as members of the representative council.

A student union trustee may not vote or make proposals when deciding regarding a financial contractual relationship between themselves and the student union, or if the private financial interest of that trustee may conflict with the interests of the student union.

10 § Transparency of documents

The transparency of the student union's activities is governed by the Act on the Openness of Government Activities (621/1999), which applies to the activities of authorities.

The documents of the student union are public unless otherwise specified by law or in these rules.

Documents related to the business and real estate activities of the student union are not public. However, the concerned party has the right to inspect documents concerning themselves.

Any proposal, draft, report, statement, memorandum, or other document arising within the body of the student union is public unless the body decides otherwise.

A document that is still in preparation is not yet public.

11 § Official notice board

The official notice board of the student union is the official website of the student union.

4. Chapter Representative council

12 § Representative council

The highest decision-making authority of the student union is held by the representative council. The term of office for the representative council is one calendar year. The secretary of the representative council is

the executive director of the student union. If this person is unable to attend, the representative council may call upon another secretary to convene the meeting.

The representative council is composed of twenty (20) members and a maximum of twenty (20) alternate members.

13 § Quorum

The representative council is competent when half (1/2) of the members of the representative council, including the chairperson or vice-chairperson of the representative council, are present, and when the meeting has been convened in accordance with the regulations of the student union.

14 § Chairperson and vice-chairperson of the Representative Council

The representative council elects from among the full-age members of the student union who were candidates in the representative council elections, the chairperson, and vice-chairperson of the representative council for one year at a time. The election of the chairperson and vice-chairperson shall be conducted separately in the representative council of the student union. The election procedure for the representative council's chairpersonship shall follow the provisions of Section 18 of the representative council's regulations.

15 § The tasks of the representative council

The tasks of the representative council are:

1. Select and release the chairperson and vice-chairperson of the representative council,
2. Appoint and release the chairperson and vice-chairperson(s) of the board, as well as its members,
3. Elect student representatives to the university of applied sciences' board and other multi-member bodies referred to in Chapter 4 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act,
4. Elect the Central Election Committee and appoint its chairperson,
5. Select representatives to the governing bodies of organizations, companies, and foundations where the student union has direct nomination rights.
6. Appoint and release the auditor and deputy auditor or audit firm,
7. Approve the budget and action plan and determine the guidelines and instructions for the finances and activities of the student union,
8. Determine the amount of the membership fee,
9. Note the activity report prepared by the board for the student union.
10. Decide on the approval of the financial statements and granting discharge from liability to the board and other accountable individuals,
11. Approve necessary regulations and other provisions deemed necessary,

12. Decides in two consecutive meetings by a two-thirds (2/3) majority on the transfer or encumbrance of real estate, or on the significant transfer or purchase of other assets for the operations of the student union.
13. Decides in two consecutive meetings by a two-thirds (2/3) majority on taking on debt exceeding the student union's financial year,
14. Decides in two consecutive meetings by a two-thirds (2/3) majority on initiating or discontinuing significant business operations of the student union, or significant expansion or contraction,
15. Decides on the principles of ownership steering and risk management,
16. Appoints an honorary member upon the proposal of the board,
17. Decides on the official communication channels of the student union,
18. Decides on other matters that the representative council has reserved for itself in individual cases or that the board presents to the representative council for decision-making

The representative council may decide on matters specified in points 12-14 in a single meeting if the representative council, by a four-fifths (4/5) majority, declares the matter urgent. After declaring it urgent, the matter can be decided in a single meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) majority.

16 § The meeting of the representative council

The invitation to the representative council meeting must be sent via email to the address provided by each council member at least seven (7) days before the meeting to all council members, and additionally, the meeting must be publicly announced on the official notice board of the student union. The invitation must include all the items to be discussed at the meeting. The meeting may also address matters not included in the meeting invitation if approved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the representative council.

A decision on matters mentioned in Section 23 of the Association Act or on the dissolution of the representative council cannot be made unless they have been mentioned in the meeting invitation.

An issue brought up for the first time in the representative council meeting can be postponed if the majority of the votes require it. The issue can be postponed again if at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes require it.

The representative council meets at least:

After the confirmation of the election results before the start of its term.

In the organizational meeting, where:

- The composition of the representative council is determined;
- The chairperson, vice-chairperson, and other necessary officials are elected from among the representative council members;
- The chairperson and vice-chairpersons of the student union's board are elected.

At the spring meeting, where:

- The student union's operational report prepared by the board is presented.
- The financial statements prepared by the board and the auditor's report are presented.
- The financial statements are approved, and decisions are made regarding any necessary measures.
- Decisions are made on granting discharge from liability to the board and other accountable individuals.
- The central election committee is appointed.

At the autumn meeting, where:

- The action plan for the following year is discussed.
- The budget for the following year is discussed.
- An auditor and deputy auditor are elected.
- The membership fee for the following academic year is determined.
- The amount of support membership fees for the following academic year is determined.
- Decisions are made regarding any meeting fees and/or compensation for elected officials for the following year.

An extraordinary meeting of the representative council must be held when the council so decides, or when the board deems it necessary, or when at least one-tenth (1/10) of the eligible members of the student union demand it for the consideration of a specific matter.

17 § Attendance and speaking rights

Members of the student union have the right to attend meetings of the representative council. The representative council, the chairpersons of the representative council, and the board may invite experts or guests to attend the council meeting to provide expertise or observe the meeting, and grant them the right to speak and be present.

The representative council may, for an absolutely compelling reason and with a two-thirds (2/3) majority, hold a meeting partially or entirely as a closed session. In a closed session, only the regular members of the representative council, the secretary of the representative council, and the members of the board may be present.

18 § Decision making

The decisions are made by the representative council according to the council's rules of procedure, unless otherwise specified in the regulations

In case of a tie, the chairperson's vote decides, except in personnel selections where a draw is used. In personnel selections, a closed ballot vote is conducted. A closed ballot vote must also be conducted if even one eligible representative at the meeting demands it

19 § Invitation

The convocation of the representative council is convened by the chairperson of the student union representative council or, in their absence, by the vice-chairperson. The meeting of the representative council is lawful and quorate when the meeting has been properly convened and at least half (1/2) of the members of the representative council are present, including the chairperson or vice-chairperson. A member of the representative council can participate in meetings as a voting member using electronic video conferencing systems.

Electronic participation must be agreed upon on a case-by-case basis with the chairperson of the representative council. If a member of the representative council is unable to attend a meeting or is disqualified from discussing a specific agenda item, their deputy member shall take their place, as specified in the election regulations and the regulations of the representative council.

The representative council meeting must be convened when:

- The board deems it necessary,
- At least one-tenth (1/10) of the members of the representative council demand it in writing for a specific matter, or
- At least one-tenth (1/10) of the eligible members of the student union demand it in writing from the board for a specific matter.

An extraordinary meeting must be held within two (2) weeks from the date when the board received documented notice of the request regarding the matter.

20 § Minutes

The minutes of the representative council meetings are kept. The minutes are reviewed and approved by two (2) minutes inspectors selected by the meeting. The minutes inspectors must be members of the representative council. The minutes are signed by the chairperson of the meeting, the secretary, and the minutes inspectors.

The minutes must be published, signed, on the official notice board of the student union within fourteen (14) days of the meeting, and they must remain posted for at least twelve (12) months.

Any written justifications for dissenting opinions must be submitted to the secretary of the meeting during the time allocated for the preparation of the minutes.

21§ Elections

The representative council is elected through a personal proportional representation list vote from eligible candidates. Every eligible voter is eligible to become a member of the representative council. The representative council elections are held annually in November. Only students who have fulfilled their membership fee obligation to the student union have the right to vote in the student union elections.

The central electoral board, elected by the representative council, is responsible for organizing student union elections and representative council elections. The details of the elections are specified in the electoral regulations approved by the representative council. A member of the student union's board or an employee cannot simultaneously serve as a member of the representative council. If a representative council member is elected to the board or employed by the student union, a substitute member must be appointed to the representative council for the duration of their service on the board or employment. The provisions of Section 9 of the rules apply to fixed-term employees of the student union.

22 § Voting at the representative council meeting

Each member of the representative council has one (1) vote. The vote must be cast in person. During the voting process, two (2) vote counters selected from among the members of the representative council count the votes. The vote counters must be members of the representative council. Before the actual vote, a test vote may be conducted through a show of hands; however, when making personnel selections, a test vote cannot be conducted

The voting is conducted by roll call vote unless a member of the representative council requests a secret ballot vote. Secret ballot voting is always used for personnel selections

The procedures for voting at the representative council meeting are further regulated in Section 17 of the representative council's regulations.

23 § Loss of eligibility and resignation

The loss of eligibility and resignation are regulated in sections 5, 6, and 7 of the representative council's regulations.

24 § Deputy member procedure

The calling of Deputy members is regulated in section 8 of the representative council's regulations.

5. Chapter Board

The administrative and executive authority of the student union is exercised by the board. The board's responsibilities include leading the operational activities of the student union, managing the administration of the student union, safeguarding the interests of the members, establishing committees as needed, and ensuring compliance with applicable regulations.

25 § Term of office

The term of office for the board is one calendar year

26 § The composition of the board

The board consists of a chairperson, three (3) vice-chairpersons, and a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of six (6) board members. The chairperson and vice-chairpersons must be from different campuses if there are applicants from all four campuses. Each campus has a corresponding member of the executive board.

27 § Selection of the board

The organizational meeting of the representative council elects the chairperson of the student union's board, vice-chairpersons, and other board members. The chairperson and vice-chairpersons must receive more than half of the votes cast in the election. The election of the board and the chairpersons will follow the electoral procedure outlined in Section 18 of the regulations of the representative council.

28 § Organisation of the board

The board's organizational meeting must be held before the start of its term. The government decides on its internal division of work and determines the order of vice-chairpersons. The board's chairperson calls the

meeting, or in their absence, the next vice-chairperson in order. The invitation and agenda for the board's organizational meeting must be sent via email to all elected members of the government to the addresses they provided at least seven (7) days before the meeting.

29 § Supplementation of the board

If a member of the board or a vice-chairperson loses eligibility during their term, is relieved of their duties, or resigns from the board, the board must present a candidate to the representative council for appointment as a member of the board or vice-chairperson. If the representative council does not approve the candidate, the board presents a new candidate. The council can also decide, upon the board's proposal, not to supplement the board.

If a member of the board is elected to the position of vice-chairperson when supplementing, the chairperson of the board must present a new member of the board for the vacated position of the board member

If the representative council relieves the chairperson of the board of their duties during their term, the entire board is relieved of their duties, and a new board is elected for the remaining term.

If the board resigns or is otherwise relieved of its duties, it is responsible for essential tasks belonging to the board until a new board has organized

30 § Jurisdiction

The board exercises the student union's authority, represents and acts on behalf of the student union in courts and other authorities, and enters into agreements and other legal actions on its behalf.

6. Chapter Economy

The student union is subject to accounting obligations. The accounting must be carried out, to the extent applicable, in accordance with the provisions of the Accounting Act (1336/1997)

31 § Financial year

The financial year of the student union is the calendar year.

32 § Fundraising

The student union has the right to receive testaments, bequests, and donations, as well as to collect funds for the purpose of fulfilling its objectives. Additionally, the student union may own real estate, shares, engage in business either as its own operation or wholly or partly through a company it owns.

33 § Auditors

The student union must have either an auditor and a deputy auditor or the audit must be conducted by an audit firm. The auditor must be a certified public accountant.

34 § Financial statements

The board must prepare the financial statements and provide the auditors with the necessary documents for the audit within three (3) months of the end of the financial year. The board must submit the financial statements, audit report, and any explanations prepared in response to objections to the council no later than in connection with the spring meeting invitation of the council.

35 § The financial risks and the complicated decision-making process

If the student union representative council is to decide on a matter that involves specific financial risks or if it concerns the use of a significant amount of money for investments or similar matters, the council must use a complicated decision-making procedure in decision-making.

In the complicated decision-making procedure, the representative council must decide with at least a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast, in two (2) consecutive representative council meetings, with at least two (2) weeks between them. The representative council may, if necessary, declare the matter urgent, after which a decision can be made with a four-fifths (4/5) majority of the votes cast in a single meeting.

The complicated decision-making procedure must be applied to at least the following matters:

1. When starting a new business or significantly expanding an existing business,
2. When committing to a guarantee, lending, or other similar commitment or risk exceeding €15,000.

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The public tasks prescribed by law

36 § Public tasks and presentation procedure

When the student union addresses a matter concerning the exercise of public authority, the handling of the matter must adhere to procedures as prescribed in Administrative Procedure Act regarding the handling of

the matter. In addition to this, special care and presentation procedures must be followed in handling the matter.

Tasks that belong to public policy:

1. Determining the amount of membership fees
2. The task specified in Section 41 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act to prepare students for active, informed, and critical citizenship,
3. The task specified in Section 41 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act to appoint student representatives to the bodies referred to in Chapter 4 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act

When the decision falls under the authority of the representative council, the presenter is either the board or the central electoral committee. When the decision falls under the authority of the board, the presenter is the executive director. The presenter must act independently and impartially when preparing the proposal. The presenter must prepare personnel selections based solely on applications or, if necessary, based on applications and interviews. When exercising public authority, a member of the body or an employee of the student union is disqualified, as provided in section 9 of these rules.

37 § Representatives of the University of Applied Sciences Administration and the Student Health Services

When the student union's representative council or board selects student representatives for the bodies referred to in Chapter 4 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act and for the bodies of the Finnish Student Health Services (FSHS), a separate application, presentation, and selection process is utilized. The selection of student representatives must consider what is stipulated in the regulations concerning the selection of student representatives.

All members of the university of applied sciences are eligible for election to the bodies referred to in Chapter 4 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act, unless they are disqualified from acting in said body in accordance with the provisions on disqualification in section 21, subsection 1 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act.

A member of the student union's representative council, a member of the board, a member of the central electoral committee, or the executive director is disqualified from acting as a presenter or as a member of the decision-making body if they have any influence on the application process before the presenter makes their proposal. This includes the person's own application for the relevant body.

38 § The application process

All the positions mentioned in section 37 are announced open for applications by the presenter. The application period is at least fourteen (14) days, and the announcement of the application is to be posted on the official notice board of the student union. Applications must be submitted in writing. Applications received after the deadline shall not be considered. When extending the application period, the duration of the extension is determined according to section 15, as provided in the regulations concerning the selection of student representatives.

The application process is also used for other positions of trust to which the student union's representative council appoints its representatives. It is not necessary to use the application process for positions mentioned in the regulations concerning the selection of student representatives (Chapter 5) for external institutions outside the university of applied sciences.

39 § The presentation procedure

After the application deadline, the presenter makes a reasoned proposal to the decision-making body, along with justifications. The presenter may interview applicants if necessary.

40 § Valintamenettely

The representatives to the bodies are selected by the student union's representative council. The selection is made based on the proposal prepared by the preparatory body for the selection. The selecting body may choose to interview one or more applicants. If an interview is decided upon, at least the individuals presented by the presenter should be interviewed.

If there is only one (1) candidate to be selected, the candidate must receive at least half of the votes cast. A member of the selecting body may make a reasoned proposal differing from the proposal; in this case, a vote shall be conducted. The proposal can also be returned for further preparation if it does not effectively prevent decision-making or unreasonably hinder the functioning of the body for which the selection is made. The decision must be justified in accordance with section 45 of the Administrative Procedure Act.

8. Chapter Appeal process

41 § Appeal process

Changes to decisions made by the student union are sought as provided for in Chapter 9 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act. Appeals are made by appealing to the Eastern Finland Administrative Court

In addition to this, decisions made by a body selected by the student union's board can be appealed to the board.

42 § Request for correction

A request for correction can be made to the body that made the decision regarding administrative matters of the student union. The request for correction must be submitted in writing within thirty (30) days of receiving notice of the decision. Members of the student union are considered to have received the decision when it has been made publicly available, as stipulated in section 41 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act. Appeals against the decision of the administrative court cannot be made. In other regards, the provisions of sections 32 and 33 of the Associations Act shall be followed.

As a result of the request for correction, the decision-maker may either amend the previous decision, revoke it, or dismiss the request for correction. A reasoned decision must be provided regarding the presented claims. The processing of the request for correction must adhere to the provisions outlined in Chapter 7a of the Administrative Procedure Act and section 41 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act.

The decision made as a result of the request for correction must be published on the official notice board of the student union and communicated to the requester of the correction.

43 § Appeal

An appeal against the decision made as a result of the request for correction may only be sought by the individual who submitted the request for correction. The appeal must be submitted to the Eastern Finland Administrative Court within 30 days of receiving notice of the decision, in accordance with the law (808/2019).

44 § Special provisions regarding appeals

Those entitled to make a request for correction are those to whom the decision is addressed or whose rights, benefits, or obligations the decision directly affects, as well as members of the student union.

A guide to the appeal process must be attached to the decision of the student union body, against which an appeal can be lodged. An appeal cannot be lodged against a decision that concerns only preparation or implementation.

Requests for correction must be processed urgently.

9. Chapter

Special provisions

45 § Initiative right

Every member of the student union has the right to make a proposal to the representative council or the board. The proposal is addressed in the next available meeting of the board or the representative council. The first signatory of the proposal has the right to be heard in the meeting of the representative council and the board. The decision made must be communicated to the first signatory of the proposal.

46 § Member vote

Any matter falling under the authority of the student union's representative council, other than those specified in Section 23, subsection 1 of the Associations Act, must be submitted to a general membership vote if at least two-thirds (2/3) of all members of the representative council require it through voting.

The membership vote is conducted based on the decision proposal approved by the representative council, which can be either accepted or rejected. The specific procedures for the membership vote are determined in detail in the election regulations approved by the representative council.

47 § Electronic decision-making

The decision-making of the student union's board and representative council can be organized through telecommunication or other technical means.

48 § Receipt of notification

The student union uses general notification by publishing the decision on the official notice board of the student union when the student union makes a decision concerning the exercise of public authority, membership fees, or any other matter that does not concern an individual person..

According to Section 41 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act, student union members are considered to have received information about a decision when the decision has been made publicly available. In addition to general notification, when the student union's representative council or board selects student representatives for bodies referred to in Chapter 4 of the Universities of Applied Sciences Act and for bodies of the Finnish Student Health Services (FSHS), notification must be made to all relevant parties, expressing the decision and its justifications.

In the notification, the provisions of Section 56 of the Administrative Procedure Act regarding notification to individuals are followed.

49 § Signing authority

The signing authority is held by the executive director of the student union, the chairperson of the board, and the vice-chairpersons of the board.

The name of the student union is signed by the executive director and the chairperson of the board together, or one of them together with one (1) vice-chairperson of the board.

The board can additionally grant signing authority to an individual who has been given a personal right to it by the board separately

50 § The insignia of the student union

The student union may have badges, honorary badges, and other insignia, the use and awarding of which are regulated by a separate badge regulation.

51 § The associations operating in the vicinity of the student union

Associations may be affiliated with the student union.

52 § The responsibility of an trusted representative

A trusted representative appointed by the student union body can be dismissed from their position if they exploit or disclose to others non-public information they have gained in their position of trust.

A trusted representative can also be dismissed if their conduct, whether within or outside the student union, harms the student union, or if they repeatedly fail to fulfill their duties associated with their position.

53 § More detailed provisions

In addition to these rules, the provisions approved by the representative council must be followed.

54 § Other regulations

In addition to the regulations of the student union and the laws referred to in the regulations, the activities of the student union always adhere to the current legislation. The activities of the student union are governed by the Associations Act (503/1989) unless otherwise stipulated by the Universities of Applied Sciences Act.

If the election regulations approved by the representative council, the representative council regulations, the board regulations, the financial and administrative regulations, the regulations concerning the selection of student representatives, or any other regulation conflicts with these rules, these rules shall be followed. If the regulations approved by the representative council, the board regulations, the financial and administrative regulations, the regulations concerning the selection of student representatives, or any other regulation conflict with the electoral regulations, the electoral regulations shall be followed.

55 § Disbandment of the student union

If the student union is dissolved, its assets shall be transferred, unless otherwise specified by the donor, to a purpose determined by the student union's representative council, closely related to its activities.

56 § Amendment and validity of the Rules

The representative council decides on amending these rules.

Amending these rules requires a decision in two (2) consecutive meetings, with an interval of at least two (2) weeks between them. In both meetings, the proposed amendment must receive at least two-thirds (2/3) of all votes of the representative council. The rules are ratified by the rector of the university of applied sciences.

These rules were approved at the meeting of the representative council of the Student Union of South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences on December 11, 2024.

They were ratified by the CEO and Rector of South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences on January 15, 2025, and have been in effect since then.

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