



APPLICATION

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION & ROYAL COURT

*Post-Baccalaureate and SUSLA Students cannot apply and cannot be appointed to Southern University at New Orleans' Royal Court or Student Government Association

*Students with holds on their accounts and those who have Cumulative Grade Point Averages (GPAs) lower than a 2.5 or a 2.75 for certain positions (e.g., SGA President, Vice President, or Miss SUNO) are ineligible. Please read the statements in this application packet as well as the Royal Court Rules, Regulations, and Guidelines booklet, the SGA Constitution and sign the application below to certify that you understand the requirements, expectations, and penalties associated with the position you are applying for.

*The Student Government Association (SGA) of Southern University at New Orleans shall be an Undergraduate Organization with one (1) Graduate Class President and one (1) Graduate Senator to represent the Graduate colleges/school. NOTE: All transfer students must have completed at least one (1) semester of coursework at Southern University at New Orleans.

Students interested in becoming the Student Government Association President or Vice President must meet several qualifications:

- You must have a cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.75 or higher.
- After the Spring 23' semester, you must be classified as a Junior with at least 60 earned credit hours.
- You must have at least one year of prior service in the Student Government Association or any other active club or organization registered with the Office of Student Organizations a SUNO.
- You must be a full-time student.
- You must be in good academic and disciplinary standing.
- You must be able to commit to serving a full academic year (tentatively with no job).

*Note Your credit hours must reflect that commitment. *Your coursework cannot be completed in the Fall semester; you must have at least 12 credit hours remaining and register for classes for Spring 2024.



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Students interested in becoming a Royal Court member as a Class Miss, a Class President, or Class Senator, you must meet several qualifications:

- Your cumulative grade point average must be at least 2.5 or higher.
- Your classification must match your elected position after the Spring Semester of 2023.
- You must be able to commit to a full academic year, and your credit hours must reflect that commitment. *Your coursework cannot be completed in the Fall semester; you must have at least 12 credit hours remaining and register for classes for Spring 2024.

Students interested in becoming Miss Southern University at New Orleans

- Must have a cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.75 or higher.
- After the Spring 23' semester, you must be classified as a **rising Junior** with at least 75 earned credit hours.
- You must have at least one year of prior service in the Student Government Association or any other active club or organization registered with the Office of Student Organizations at SUNO.
- You must be a full-time student.
- You must be in good academic and disciplinary standing.
- You must be able to commit to serving a full academic year (tentatively with no job).

Please note*Your position will be forfeit if you fail to attend multiple activities or meetings (fulfill your duties), so while work or other obligations may be important, they cannot be used repeatedly to justify your absence.





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All applicants must submit the following items with the Completed Application:

A copy of your current, concise class schedule and a current paid fee receipt (Both can be obtained from the cashier's window).

Two Letters of Character written by one (1) Faculty member or administrator and one (1) community person. *Excluding Family members & the Director of Student Activities and Organizations

Must provide the name, email address, and phone number of the persons writing your character letters.

*Freshmen may use a letter from a faculty or staff member from their high school.

Interested candidates must email their completed applications, signed agreement, and all of the above to StudentAffairs@suno.edu in one package.

Failure to submit a complete packet will result in automatic rejection from the ballot. Candidates are encouraged to double-check that all required materials have been included before submitting their packet. Incomplete packets will not be reviewed.



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Contract Agreement

I agree to faithfully serve my full term, engage in community service projects, and work diligently on campus-based committees and/or activities, as well as appropriate events. Moreover, I agree to respond to all emails sent to my university email from university administration within 48 hours. Failure to do so will forfeit my candidacy and future position.

I am currently enrolled as a full-time student at Southern University at New Orleans. Furthermore, I certify that I am an undergraduate/graduate student. I anticipate completing the next full year at Southern University at New Orleans as a full-time student each semester (Fall and Spring).

I certify that I am free of any legal or moral entanglements and of sound moral character. I will refrain from using offensive language, such as swear words, using illegal drugs, drinking excessive alcohol, pointing the middle finger, having sex on social media, showing nudity, throwing up gang signs, showing guns on social media and/or being affiliated with others on social media with these types of acts. Therefore, if elected, I agree to uphold the standards set forth by SUNO and the SGA and Royal Court Committee, which is to detach myself from Any Illegal Acts or Events that would exhibit Southern University at New Orleans in an undesirable manner. In essence, if deemed affiliated with these acts, you will lose your position and will receive the Maximum Disciplinary Sanctions as Identified in the Student Handbook.

I agree to participate in all Homecoming-Related Activities and accept full financial obligations/responsibilities thereof and fully understand that Southern University at New Orleans or any of its entities is free of any/all obligations to assist financially.

All elected SGA officers and Royal Court members shall be elected by a majority vote.

The winner of Miss SUNO will be determined by a majority vote, and (10) ten additional points will be added to the score of the winner of the Pageant.



Southern University at New Orleans Office of Student Activities & Organizations Campaigning Rules

Official campaigning will begin a week before elections.

The Director of Student Activities and Organizations must approve all campaign materials. Be sure to send materials via email to: Jwilliams@suno.edu and wait for an approval reply.

Repeat: Contact the Director of Student Activities and Organizations to avoid any issues. You must be given permission to conduct all campaigning activities or display signage.

Campaigners must follow the posting policies for all campus buildings and locations:

- Campaigners may not remove or deface other candidates' campaign materials.
- Painting or drawing on walls/buildings are prohibited. Taping on glass, windows and doors are sensitive to adhesive, which can damage these surfaces. If you are found posting in such areas, and damage occurs when removing postings, a fee may occur to repair the damage.
- Campaigners should use bulletin boards. All flyers posted on bulletin boards must be 8.5X11 in - no larger.
- DO NOT HANG ANYTHING FROM THE OVERPASS on Press Dr.
- All campaign material must be removed by the candidate the day after elections.
- All campaign material must be removed from the University Center the day of elections.

No Candidate is allowed in the University Center during elections expect for when he/she/they are voting.

No use of derogatory language in campaigning. No campaign material may slander any other candidate.

All allegations or complaints made against a campaign can't and won't be entertained without supporting evidence to substantiate them.

It is impossible to foresee all possible incidents. Therefore, the Director of Student Activities and Organizations reserves the right to make any additional decisions. Also, any infractions can result in either a vote deduction or disqualification. Minor infractions will be a five (5) vote deduction. Unapproved posters or poster locations will be a three (3) vote deduction. All other deductions and/or disqualifications are the hands of the Director of Students Activities and Organizations.

Infractions against this rule will not be tolerated.



I certify that I have read and fully understand the statements. I also understand that falsification will result in disqualification and possible disciplinary actions taken against me by the University.

****Please Note:** All candidates for SGA Officers, Miss SUNO, and Royal Court members **MUST** maintain the required Grade Point Average (GPA) and Full-time status (12 Credit Hours) throughout your tenure as per the SUNO Student Handbook and Student Government Association’s Constitution.

****There are no direct monetary benefits allocated from Southern University at New Orleans associated with becoming a Royal Court member or SGA officer, e.g. (not entitled dresses, suits, make-up, hair, accessories, housing, etc., will be provided).**

Royal Court members must provide their own wardrobe during their reign, except for (1) SUNO’s, (2) SUBR’s, and (3) SUSLA’s Coronations. The Department of Student Activities and Organization will provide three (3) dresses and tiaras for Miss SUNO and Class Misses (Miss Freshman, Miss, Sophomore, Miss Junior, and Miss Senior).

Any candidate found with 2 (two) violations will be automatically disqualified by the Director of Student Activities and Organizations.

_____	_____
Your Current cumulative GPA	Classification

Election Position Sought	
_____	_____
Applicant’s Signature (typed accepted)	Date



City, State

University's email address @my.suno.edu or sus.edu

Cell number

Did you read the qualifications and understand the expectations for the position you are applying for?



Please list three hobbies below:

Please list the club(s), organization(s), and team(s) you have been involved with at Southern University at New Orleans.

Please share one of your favorite quotes:

Please share your favorite song and why:
