



Election Rules: GBC Fall 2020 Elections

Nomination Period: Thursday, October 1st, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. to Saturday, October 3rd, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. Nomination forms must be submitted on OneSchulich within this period. Candidates will indicate the position that they are running for on the nomination form. Detailed descriptions of each of the available roles can be found on the GBC Election webpage on OneSchulich:

<https://oneschulich.yorku.ca/gbc/elections/>

Campaign Period: Tuesday, October 6th, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. to Wednesday, October 7th, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.

Campaign Rules:

- The blackout period, where all campaigning must cease and all campaign materials must be taken down/offline, is effective as of October 8, 2020 at 12:00 am. Candidates cannot share campaign materials after this deadline.
- All candidates are expected to campaign in good faith. Any breach of campaign rules as detailed in this document may result in disqualification. Keep in mind that candidates will be held responsible for the actions of their supporters.
- Candidates may not run on a slate: confirmed candidates may not publicly support any other candidate.

Campaign Materials per candidate:

- One pitch video, at a maximum of 30 seconds in length. Candidates will upload their video pitch through the nomination form. Inappropriate conduct, language, or messaging is prohibited in candidate campaign materials.
 - The GBC will post candidate pitch videos on the GBC website at the beginning of the campaign period, and remove these posts at the closing of the campaign period. By submitting a campaign video, the candidate acknowledges that said video will be publicly available on the GBC website for a limited time, and permits the GBC's publication of their video for the purpose and duration of this campaign.
 - Candidates may also post their pitch videos to social media.

Rules on E-mail and Websites:

- Spamming students (via use of class lists, course codes, or group lists) is prohibited.
- Sending e-mails through friends is at your discretion – only allowed during the campaign period.
- Use of online forums for campaigning is permitted only during campaign period and must be removed by the end of the campaign period.
- Posting on social media platforms can only be done once every 24-hours on a rolling basis.
- Posting on OneSchulich can only be done once every 24-hours on a rolling basis and may only be posted to cohort specific groups (i.e. not on the Schulich News feed, GBC feed, etc.)
- Candidates are responsible for taking their campaign materials offline and ensuring that their campaign e-mails are no longer sent/forwarded after Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 11:59 pm. A penalty of a deduction in votes or disqualification may apply for failure to abide by these rules. Final decisions about penalties will be made by the GBC Election Committee.

Rules on Speeches in Class

- Short speeches are permitted **only** with the permission of the professor ahead of schedule. Please respect class time and keep pitches short (30-60 seconds). Candidates are responsible for reaching out to instructors to organize time for an in-class speech. Failure to comply with this stipulation – i.e., campaigning in classes without the permission of the instructor, or outside of the bounds of a short speech scheduled in collaboration with an instructor – will result in a candidate's disqualification.
- No other forms of in-class campaigning are permitted

Voting Period: Friday, October 9, 2020

Nomination/Voting Rules:

- In the case where only one candidate is nominated for a position, the candidate will run uncontested. Candidates who run uncontested are required to run in the campaign period.
- If there are no nominees for a position, the position will remain empty for the Academic term with the exception of cohort representative .
- If an election for any position results in a tie, a winner will be determined via a vote amongst the GBC executive council.

Results:

- Winners will be announced publicly at a virtual GBC event on Saturday, October 10, 2020, and in a subsequent e-mail announcement. Results will also be posted on the GBC website.

Contact information:

- For clarification of election rules and process contact gbcvp@schulich.yorku.ca with the subject line "CRO".