

# Student Parliament 6 2021



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Monday 08th November 2021  
TU101 in the Tower Building  
KI 17.15-21.00

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# AGENDA

STUDENT PARLIAMENT 6 - 2021, MONDAY 08th OF NOVEMBER AT 5:15 PM, TU101 IN THE TOWER BUILDING  
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## 2161 Constitution

2161.1 Approval of today's agenda and summoning

2161.2 Approval of the previous meeting protocol

1 The protocol are uploaded to our homepage (<http://www.studentdemokratiet.no>) a week after  
2 each Student Parliament Meeting. If you need a paper copy of the report please get in touch  
3 with the Student Board at their office (The Clock building)  
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5 2161.3 Appointment of a Counting Committee

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14 2162 Orientation cases

15 2162.1 Minutes

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17 The minutes shall be made known to the public within 12.00 the Thursday before Student  
18 Parliament. The minutes will be sent to the Student Parliaments representatives by mail.

19 This is done to get the most updated minutes, and minimize paper usage. Copies of each  
20 minutes will be printed out and kept at the Student Democracy office, together with the case  
21 papers from the current Student Parliament.

22 Those who report to the Student Parliament through minutes are:

- 23 - The Student Board (AU)
- 24 - The University Board (US)
- 25 - The Education Board (SU)
- 26 - Student Welfare Organization in Ås (SiÅs)
- 27 - Student and Academics international helping fund (SAIH)
- 28 - International Student Union (ISU)
- 29 - The Research Board (FU)
- 30 - The Learning Environment Committee (LMU)
- 31 - Erasmus Student Network (ESN)

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34 2162.2 Information from Rector and the SiÅs Board Leader.

35 *Case responsible: rector and board leader of SiÅs*

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37 Rector Curt Rice and Selma Sollihagen leader of the SiÅs Board orients.

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40 2162.2 Annual Report from the Student Parliament's Student Board, the  
41 University's Research Committee, the University's Education Committee and  
42 the Control Committee

43 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

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45 **Purpose:**

46 The Student Parliament is to be informed on what the Student Board, and NMBU's Research  
47 and Education Committees and the Control Committee have been working on in 2021.

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49 **Background:**

50 In the yearly instructions for the Student Democracy, it states that the yearly reports from the  
51 Student Board, and NMBU's Research and Education Committees and Control Committee are to  
52 be approved at Student Parliament 6.

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54 According to the yearly instructions the reports are to be published at Canvas by 12.00 o'clock  
55 Thursday before Student Parliament.

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58 2162.4 Orientation cases

59 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

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61 **Vice-rector and vice-rector for sustainability**

62 - Neither the vice-rector for education, Solve Sæbø, nor the vice-rector for research, Siri  
63 Fjellheim, extend their time contract as vice-rectors. From November, the processes of hiring  
64 new ones will begin. The Selection Committee for the vice-rector for education consists of the  
65 chair of AU, Ina Maria Finnerud, and the Selection Committee for the vice-rector for research  
66 and innovation has a student representative from the UFU University Research Committee,  
67 Espen Evju. The new vice-rectors will be employed by the University Board.

68 - In addition to new vice-rectors – from next year, 2022, a vice-rector for sustainability will be  
69 employed at NMBU, at the request of the rector.

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71 **Scholars at Risk Position**

72 - According to the Student Parliament's resolution, Student Advocacy Seminars, a Scholars at  
73 Risk position will be created at NMBU.

74 - This means that NMBU is part of the international network Scholars at Risk (SAR) whose  
75 main purpose is to protect endangered academics and promote academic freedom.

76 -SAR fights for fundamental human rights, particularly related to academics and the global  
77 academic society.

78 -This is done through exerting political pressure, through information, counselling, legal aid,  
79 and such.

80 -One of SAR's most important function is to provide persecuted researchers with a temporary  
81 refuge at a host institution outside their home country.

- 82 -The SAR network consists of universities, colleges, and associate members worldwide.  
83 -This means that each year at NMBU there will be one available position for an academic  
84 through the SAR network.  
85 - The Student Board will follow up this position and see how Student Advocacy Seminars can  
86 be created related to this.  
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### 88 **NMBU's environmental action plan has been adopted**

- 89 NMBU's environmental action plan was adopted by the University Board before the summer.  
90 The environmental action plan will apply for the entire university and is anchored to our goals:  
91 - NMBU's most important contribution to a better environment is through education, research,  
92 and dissemination.  
93 - We will be at the forefront of research internationally and educate candidates who are well  
94 equipped for the fight for a sustainable future.  
95 - NMBU shall be climate neutral and create positive environmental effects through an active  
96 land management.  
97 - We must have the least possible impact on the environment.  
98 - Environmental considerations must at all stages be integrated into the operation of the  
99 business.

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101 The Student Board, with assistance from the Student Parliament's Sustainability Committee,  
102 has been clear contributors in the consultation round regarding to the environmental action  
103 plan. Furthermore, they will also assist the environmental coordinator at NMBU, Lena Marie  
104 Kjølble, in following up the measures.  
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106 Read more about the environmental work don at NMBU here  
107 <https://www.nmbu.no/om/miljoarbeidet/milj-rsrapport-2020>  
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- 109 - **Student Democracy Week November 17 - November 24:**  
110 - - Regarding the Student Election in the autumn of 2021, AU will arrange the Student  
111 Democracy Week in close collaboration with the 7 Student Councils.  
112 - -This week, Student Council presidents, vise presidents, and representatives from  
113 important positions will have stands around the campus, where we want to promote the  
114 election and encouraging participation in democracy. It is important to participate in  
115 the democracy, and to show the university that there are many students. Therefore,  
116 watch out for stands with coffee, cakes, and your local representatives from November  
117 17th to November 24th!  
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119 - **Consultation on semester structure models:**  
120 - - The consultation response from the working group for the semester structure project  
121 will be submitted by the deadline 1<sup>st</sup> of November. The answer is formulated and sent  
122 by AU on behalf of the Student Parliament. The consultation document can be read here  
123 - <https://www.studentdemokratiet.no/ressurser-dokumenter>

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128 2163 Elections and appointments

129 2163.1 Elections for Buddy General

130 *Case responsible: The Election Committee*

131 **Purpose:**

132 To choose a Buddy General for 2021/2022. The position lasts one year and begins immediately  
133 upon election.

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135 **Background:**

136 The Buddy General has the head responsibility for the organization of buddy week in the  
137 spring and fall of 2022 and serves as an intermediary between buddy leaders and NMBU.

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139 As Buddy General, one has good insight to life on campus. They must be able to stand in front of  
140 large crowds, and work continuously and independently throughout the year. It is an  
141 advantage to have participated in buddy week before, either as an active student, a buddy, or  
142 as a buddy leader.

143 The Buddy General secures wellbeing, an inclusive environment at NMBU, and is a key person  
144 for information flow aimed at the new students.

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146 **Candidates:**

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149 2063.2 Election of leader of the Control Committee

150 *Case preparation: The Election Committee*

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152 **Attachment 10:** Working Instructions for the Control Committee

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154 **Purpose:**

155 Elect a leader for the Control Committee.

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157 **Background:**

158 The Control Committee consists of three members that are chosen twice a year; one leader at  
159 Student Parliament 6 and the two other members at Student Parliament 3. The committee is  
160 required to meet at Student Parliament meetings, and at least two members of the committee  
161 must meet. At least one member of the committee should be a part of the counting committee.  
162 One member of the Control Committee must attend the Student Council dinner. There will be  
163 overlapping meetings between the old and new president after a new one is elected (in other  
164 words, before the constituent Student Parliament). The meeting will cover the practicalities of  
165 the committee, as well as orientation of current cases.

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167 As a member of the control committee, you cannot be a part of the following committees:

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- The Student Board (AU)

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- The Student Parliament (representatives or moderator)

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- University Board

171 • The Election Committee

172 • Leader of SiÅs

173 **Candidates:**

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### 176 2163.3 Election of the Chairman

177 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

#### 178 **Purpose:**

179 To elect 1 permanent chairman and 1 deputy. The position lasts for one year and begins on  
180 January 1st, 2022.

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#### 182 **Background:**

183 The Facilitators, also known as the Chairmen of the Student Parliament, are elected once a year  
184 and sit from New Year to New Year. The main responsibility of the Chairmen is simply to  
185 ensure that the Student Parliament goes through the planned agenda in an orderly fashion, and  
186 within a reasonable amount of time.

187 The Chairmen needs to have experience in leading meetings and should preferably have been a  
188 part of bigger meetings or many previous Student Parliaments. Normally the Chairmen have a  
189 meeting with the president and vice president of the Student Board where they go over the  
190 agenda and make a time management plan. Up until now there has been no Control Committee  
191 in the Student Parliament, and therefore the Chairmen have had an important role when it is  
192 unclear if the Student Parliament is following the regulations and protocol. It is still important  
193 that the Chairmen follow regulated meeting practices, and it is therefore important that they  
194 are well-versed in this. To work as a Chairman is interesting and enriching. The position gives  
195 both experience with structured meeting leadership and a good insight into the Student  
196 Democracy's work here at NMBU.

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#### 198 **Candidates**

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### 201 2163.4 Election of the Election Committee

202 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

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#### 204 **Purpose**

205 To elect 4 members to the Student Parliament's Election Committee. The position lasts for one  
206 year and begins immediately after the meeting.

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#### 208 **Background**

209 The Election Committee has the responsibility of finding candidates for all positions at student  
210 parliament and other committees at the university level. Together with the Student Board, they  
211 market chosen candidates and prepare election cases for the student parliaments case papers.

212 The election committee has the opportunity to submit their recommendations, and only does  
213 so when they find it necessary. The members of the election committee do not have the



214 possibility of running for positions during their time on the committee, except for to re-run for  
215 the election committee. The members of the committee must attend the Student Parliament's  
216 meetings and arrangements.

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218 As a member of the Election Committee, you play an important role in the student democracy!  
219 You work actively to reach out to all students at NMBU throughout the whole year to promote  
220 the different positions. You can expect close cooperation with the Student Board and Student  
221 Councils at the university. As a committee member you will work a lot with social media, email,  
222 and designing campaigns.

## 223 224 **Candidates**

### 227 2063.5 Election of participants for the Norwegian Student Organization's 228 National Meeting 2022

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230 **Purpose:**  
231 To choose 4 participants, as well as substitutes, who can represent NMBU during the  
232 Norwegian Student Organization National Meeting on April 21 - 24. 2022.

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234 **Background:**  
235 The Norwegian Student Organization (NSO) is holding their National Meeting on April 21 - 24.  
236 2022. This is an opportunity to get engaged in national student movements, and take part in  
237 the important job of making the interests of 230,000 students known nationally.  
238 The National Meeting is the highest organ of NSO. The biggest and most important decisions in  
239 the organization are made here. They address statutes, action plans, policies, budgets, reports,  
240 informative cases, elections to their Student Board, Central Board, and new committee  
241 members, etc. The National Meeting is arranged once a year, and includes representatives from  
242 all member organizations of NSO. The National Meeting is a big meeting with up to 350  
243 participants.  
244 As a participant, you are expected to attend preparation meetings here in Ås, where the cases  
245 for the National Meeting will be discussed. Participants will be covered for transportation and  
246 boarding fees.

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249 **Candidates:**

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### 252 2164 Discussion Cases

#### 253 2164.1 Requirements for a digital student everyday life

254 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

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256 **Purpose:**  
257 Discuss elements that should be included in the digitalization policy of the Student Parliament.

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259 **Background:**  
260 As we now distancing from the pandemic, it is important to learn from what has happened, and  
261 how our lives and learning situation appear for a post-covid student. Furthermore, NMBU has

262 been commissioned to write a summarizing note to the Ministry of Education (KD) about what  
263 we can learn and take with us in the future. It is important that the students have an active  
264 voice here. Therefore, it is important that the Student Parliament take an active position on  
265 how digitalization should look like at the university. With a clear policy on this topic, the  
266 Student Board can effectively participate in the debate around this in the future.  
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268 **There are some things to consider:**

- 269 • Full digital education should not replace physical education.
- 270 • The university must ensure teachers and other employees with sufficient digital competence
- 271 • Sometimes students have to be away from physically compulsory teaching without the need  
272 obtain a medical certificate and such. Participation in digital education should therefore be  
273 offered and considered as a compulsory activity.  
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275 **Politics from other student democracies:**

- 276 • Teaching, syllabus, and exam that can be delivered digitally should also be given digitally. It  
277 must always be argued why the method used is most appropriate, regardless of whether it is  
278 digital or not. When using digital tools, both employees and students must receive adequate  
279 training in these. - Student Parliament NTNU
- 280 • Work to evaluate the digital solutions that have been used during the corona pandemic and  
281 continue those that have worked. Work to ensure that syllabus literature is offered digitally. -  
282 Student Parliament UiB
- 283 • Digital aids must be used where it is relevant, and teachers must be trained in how these can  
284 be used. Students must have an intuitive, personal entrance portal to their digital everyday  
285 study. There is a need for a comprehensive offer of digital syllabus. E-books and e-  
286 compendiums should be available for all subjects, and they should be cheaper than paper  
287 books - Student Parliament UiO  
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290 **2164.2 Revision of Student Council Instructions**

291 *Case responsible The Student Board*

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293 **Purpose:**

294 Strengthen and update the Student Council instructions centrally. It is important to decide  
295 some general guidelines for a standardized operation and expectation of what the Student  
296 Councils is, and what function they have.  
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298 **Background:**

299 Considering the desire for remuneration of the Student Council presidents and vice presidents,  
300 efforts have been made to strengthen and expand these positions. Regarding this, AU has  
301 reviewed the Work Instructions for the Student Councils at NMBU in its entirety, then updated  
302 and changed what is considered appropriate. This instruction has not been changed in 4 years  
303 – when the departments at NMBU were merged into 7 faculties. Therefore, it is important to  
304 evaluate how the Student Councils operate and how you want them to operate in the future.  
305 We hope for a good debate on this topic. We are very open to input and better work on how the  
306 Student Councils can function in the best possible way, both from the Student Parliament and  
307 from the Student Councils.  
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309 2164.3 Proposal – change in Working Instructions for the Student  
310 Councils at NMBU

311 *Case responsible: Lise Benette Hovd*  
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313 **Purpose:**

314 Give Student Council the opportunity to appoint representatives to vacant positions on faculty  
315 level in the same manner that the Student Board can do this on central level.  
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317 **Background:**

318 It could be beneficial that the Student Council can appoint representatives to representatives if  
319 there should be no candidates for a vacant position. This must be clarified in the Working  
320 Instructions for the Student Councils at NMBU.  
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322 **Proposal for new text**

323 Elections and Overlap

- 324 • The Student council is elected during the general assembly of individual faculties.
  - 325 ○ A general assembly is to be held at least once each semester. At the general
  - 326 assembly, all students belonging to that faculty have speaking and voting rights.
  - 327 ○ After the general assembly, the Student Council is responsible that the leadership
  - 328 of the faculty receives an updated list of student representatives for the different
  - 329 positions and committees.
- 330 • All representatives in the Student Council that are leaving their position have the
- 331 responsibility to give adequate training to the incoming representatives.
- 332 • Outgoing representatives are to give a written report to incoming representatives, with
- 333 the exception of class representatives. Those holding the following positions are
- 334 required to write a yearly report
  - 335 ○ Faculty Board representatives
  - 336 ○ The President and Vice President of the Student Council
  - 337 ○ The Faculty's Education Committee
  - 338 ○ The Faculty's Research Committee
  - 339 ○ The Faculty's Selection Committee
  - 340 ○ The Faculty's Appointment Committee
- 341 • Only students belonging to the faculty holding elections are allowed to vote in those
- 342 elections.
- 343 • **If there are not candidates for a position, then the Student Council can appoint students**
- 344 **to vacant positions. This must be approved with simple majority by the Student Council**  
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351 2165 Decision Cases

352 2165.1 Approval of the Student Democracy's Budget for 2022

353 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

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355 **Attachments:**

356 Proposed Budget for 2022

357 Accounting 2019, 2020 and preliminary results 2021

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359 **Purpose:**

360 Approve the budget for the Student Democracy for 2022.

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362 **Background:**

363 The budget is largely based on last year's budget, which was approved on ST6 in 2020 and  
364 revised on ST1 2021. The main lines are largely the same as before, but some changes have  
365 been made. These are changes to the names of accounts, so that these will be consistent with  
366 the auditor in SiÅs who keeps our accounts. If there are any questions, please contact us in  
367 advance by sending an email to Ina Maria Finnerud, the president of the Student Board at  
368 leder.au@nmbu.no.

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370 In general, the Student Parliament has spent little money before the summer this year. This is  
371 largely directly related to the corona situation. The Student Parliament also had to cancel  
372 events, and digital representation has cost us less than physically. At the same time, as things  
373 have reopened, it has been important for us with physical events. In addition the Student  
374 Parliaments Student Board has changed the logo, and that has cost us money.

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376 Based on the continuous growth in student numbers, and the membership fee to NSO of NOK  
377 32 per student per academic year, it is assumed that the NSO fee will increase by around  
378 20,000. These will in any case not affect the balance in the budget, as this comes directly from  
379 the semester fee. We have proposed increasing the item organizational expenses by NOK 5,000.  
380 This is because the account with operating expenses no longer exists and is included under  
381 organizational expenses.

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383 We also want the Courses, education and training record to be increased to 200 000. In the  
384 action plan, we want to continue to arrange kick off I January and fall conferences with the  
385 student parliament. We also want to have regular training seminars after elections for various  
386 positions and positions. 2021, as similar to 2020, has not been a normal year, and we want to  
387 have the opportunity to implement more of this year to come.

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389 We want to put welfare funds at NOK 620 000,- so that there are a lot of available funds for  
390 both new and old organizations at campus, so that the campus life can flourish again. These can  
391 also be used for inclusion measures, but because inclusion funds are a separate item we receive  
392 from NMBU, they cannot be placed there. We are continuously working to ensure that these  
393 funds are as accessible as possible to everyone, and during 2021 we want to look at alternative  
394 regulations and distribution of welfare funds.

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397 **Proposed decision:**

398 The Student Parliament approves the suggested budget for 2022 as is in attachment 5.

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401 2165.2 Approving of the Plan of Action for the Student Democracy 2022

402 *Case responsible: The Student Board*

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404 **Attachments:**

405 6 Plan of action for the Student Democracy at NMBU 2021

406 7 Proposed Plan of action for the Student Democracy at NMBU 2022

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408 **Purpose:**

409 Approve a Plan of Action for the coming calendar year of 2022. This is the Student Parliaments  
410 management document and plan of measures for the coming period for the Student  
411 Democracy.

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413 **Background:**

414 The Student Democracy shall in addition to the Long-term strategy 2021-2023 have a Plan of  
415 Action for the coming year. These must be seen as complementary to each other. You shall  
416 approve a Plan of Action for the Student Democracy for the calendar year of 2022. The Student  
417 Board have seen a natural continuation of some of last year's actions, but some have been  
418 necessary to change.

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420 Stortinget demanded that all universities and university colleges must implement a system of  
421 merit of pedagogy in the beginning of 2019. This means that NMBU have developed their own  
422 system to reward scientific staff who also put in effort in education, and not just research. It is  
423 therefore natural to continue to follow this process as a measure to increase the quality of  
424 study. The Education Committee have also started a process regarding the evaluation of  
425 courses at NMBU. Both the representatives of the committee and the Student Board work with  
426 this.

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428 To increase the visibility of the Student Democracy is important. All students at NMBU are  
429 members of the democracy and to ensure that they can give us feedback we need to establish  
430 good, functional spaces for this. We experience that digital spaces are more actively used, but  
431 we should work towards more accessibility through other channels. It is important to increase  
432 both spaces and visibility.

433 It is important to view internationalization and mobility in the same context. It will soon be  
434 published a white paper from Stortinget on student mobility in Norway, and we think it is  
435 important to work with this.

436 This is some of the initial background for the changes that have been made. We appreciate both  
437 feedback and questions: contact the President (Ina Maria Finnerud) at [leder.au@nmbu.no](mailto:leder.au@nmbu.no).

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439 **Proposed decision:**

440 The Student Parliament approves the Plan of Action for the Student Democracy 2022 as  
441 presented in attachment 7.

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444 2165.3 Approve the resolution about Unjustified furlough from studies

445 *Case responsible Iselin Østvedt*

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447 **Attachment 9** Unjustified furlough from studies

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449 **Purpose:**

450 To approve the resolution about unjustified furlough from studies

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452 **Background:**

453 The reason why I want to shed a light on this issue is because I believe that students at NMBU  
454 must have the same opportunities and rights as students at other universities and colleges.

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456 To have the opportunities to apply for unjustified furlough will be able to give the individual  
457 student the opportunity to gain new experiences and motivation for further studies. Being able  
458 to pause your studies to gain valuable experience from a job / trip or something else - I believe  
459 it can contribute to even better students. It will also give those students who need a break, an  
460 opportunity to do so.

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462 Applying for unjustified furlough is something that is done at NTNU, UiB, UiO, etc. Why should  
463 we not be able to do it at NMBU?

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465 **Proposed decision:**

466 The Student parliament approves the resolution about unjustified furlough from studies

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469 **2164.4 Approve Statute amendments chapter 3**

470 *Case responsible Lise Benette Hovd*

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472 Attachment: 10 Current Statutes for the Student Parliament at NMBU

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474 **Purpose:**

475 Introduce clarifications regarding resignation of position for student parliament  
476 representatives switching faculties.

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478 **Background:**

479 The Statutes are not clear in regards of resignation of position for student parliament  
480 representatives who switch faculty. For democratic reasons, there should not be situations  
481 where SP representatives are representing a faculty other than the one they are currently  
482 students at. The distribution of SP representatives is based on the number of students on each  
483 faculty and therefore it cannot be that students are representing a faculty where they are not  
484 part of the electoral register.

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486 **Statute amendment:**

487 § 3-11 Position Resignation

488 The Student Parliament representatives automatically resign from their position in the Student  
489 Parliament when they are elected to the following organs:

490 - The Student Parliament's Student Board

491 - The University Board

492 - The SiÅs Board

493 - The Student Board of the Norwegian Student Organization

494 - The Control Committee  
495 **Student Parliament Representatives also automatically resign from their position if they switch**  
496 **to another faculty other than the one they were elected as representatives for.**

497 With position resignation, the position holder's deputy representative automatically inherits  
498 the  
499 position as a main representative.

500 Position resignation, a supplementary election will be conducted in accordance with § 5-5

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502 Proposed decision:

503 The Student Parliament approves the amendments as stated above.

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506 **2165.5 Approve the resolution concerning SiÅs rental prices**

507 *Case responsible: Jardar Lindaas*

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509 **Attachment 11** Resolution concerning SiÅs rental prices

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511 **Purpose:**

512 To approve the resolution concerning SiÅs rental prices

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514 **Background:**

515 From autumn of 2016 to autumn of 2020, student aid for a basic month (normal study month)  
516 has increased by 8.03% - from 7796.25 NOK to 8421.78 NOK. Within the same five-year  
517 interval, the University foundation for student life in Ås (SiÅs) has increased the monthly rent  
518 for a room in a 16-person residence by 13.51% - from 4070 NOK to 4620 NOK (see attached  
519 calculation).

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521 This is a development that has engendered poorer finances for the students, as the cost level  
522 for the students has increased more than the income. It is not only the rental prices that have  
523 increased since 2016, so have transport prices, food prices and other products and services.  
524 When some actors alone increase prices by 13.51%, they consume almost the entire increase  
525 income alone. Overall, this has weakened our purchasing power as students. This is not a  
526 sustainable development and can have consequences far beyond the student's budget.

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528 The Student Democracy at NMBU believes that:

529 • The rental prices at the University foundation for student life in Ås (SiÅs) should not have a  
530 higher percentage increase than the consumer price index (CPI).

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533 **2165.6 Approve the resolution about equal access to sanitary products**

534 *Case responsible Diana Hernandez*

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536 **Attachment 12:** The resolution about equal access to sanitary products

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538 **Purpose:**  
539 To decide the resolution of equal access to sanitary products at NMBU  
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541 **Background:**  
542 During our time at university, we spend many hours using the facilities at campus: classroom,  
543 cantinas and toilets, yet we observe that restrooms are not equally provided for all students  
544 because hygiene products are not distributed uniformly.  
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546 At NMBU, students of all genders have access to free toiletries such as toilet paper  
547 and soap. For those students who do not menstruate, the campus provides hygiene products  
548 which covers their biological needs. However, for those who menstruate, free menstrual  
549 products (tampons and pads) are not available.

550 Not having the supplies we need to have a good environment can create discomfort, stress and  
551 disruption of the academic activities. Therefore, we consider menstrual products a necessity in  
552 the school environment.

553 Students at NMBU's deserve support in the effort towards equality at the university. Having  
554 these supplies in restrooms will improve student life and contribute to equality. Therefore, we  
555 propose that the Student Parliament adopt the following resolution:

556 Tampons and pads must be provided in restrooms free of cost in every building at NMBU.  
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561 2166 Other Cases

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## 572 2168 Attachments

### 573 2168.1 Attachment 1 Instructions for the Buddy General

#### 574 **Job description for buddy general at NMBU**

575 *Approved at Student Parliament 4, 13.09.2021*

#### 576 **Responsibilities:**

- 577 • The buddy general has the main responsibility for organizing the buddy week in the
- 578 spring and autumn.
- 579 • The buddy general is mainly responsible for the Introduction Week, buddy arrangement
- 580 in the Mental Health Week, and the continuation of the buddy arrangements throughout
- 581 the semester.
- 582 • The general will act as a liaison between the student bodies, NMBU and the buddy
- 583 leaders.
- 584 • The person in question also has the opportunity to choose a buddy secretary who can
- 585 help with the tasks and be a sparring partner.
- 586 • The buddy general is a part of the Buddy Board
- 587 • Have the responsibility for a good overlap and the further developing of the Buddy
- 588 Week.

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#### 590 **The buddy Board consists of:**

- 591 • All buddy leaders from the faculties
- 592 • The Safety Manager of NMBU
- 593 • The section leader of SiT
- 594 • SiÅs representatives

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596 Following people can be invited if needed:

- 597 • AU member
- 598 • The person at Samfunnet responsible for arrangements

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#### 600 **Main tasks:**

#### 601 **Buddies:**

- 602 • Make sure that all buddies receive the necessary information for the completion of the
- 603 Buddy Week.
- 604 • Set up necessary documents for planning and overview, and transparency must be
- 605 sought after, so that all the people involved in the Buddy Week has the necessary
- 606 information available for a good completion of the Buddy Week.
- 607 • Make sure that Buddy T-shirts are ordered and distributed
- 608 • Summon to and hold buddy seminar for all buddies
- 609 • Coordinate the system of allocation of buddies together with SiT and the buddy leaders.

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#### 611 **Buddy Leaders:**

- 612 • In cooperation with the Student Board ensure that buddies are elected at all faculty
- 613 general assembly meetings.
- 614 • Follow up the buddy leaders
- 615 • Administrate buddy contracts, buddy leader contracts and reference letters.

- 616 • Makes sure that all buddy leaders sends in reports and relevant documents to a digital  
617 workplace for the Buddy Board, and that they have the necessary overlap with their  
618 descendants.  
619 • Organize social arrangements ( get to know each other) for the buddy leaders

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621 **The Buddy Board:**

- 622 • Plan, summon and hold the buddy board meetings  
623 • Make sure that minutes are taken  
624 • Organize frequent meetings with the buddy board, where activities are planned and  
625 coordinated

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627 **External cooperation:**

- 628 • Organize frequent meetings with the Student Board (AU), Samfunnet, International  
629 Student Union (ISU), Erasmus Student Network(ESN), and Student Information Center  
630 (SiT) where the Buddy Week in the spring and Introduction week in the fall are planned  
631 and coordinated  
632 • Makes sure that the contact with the external collaborators are kept up, amongst others  
633 with the Health Center and Ås Municipality  
634 • The Buddy General shall arrange the Grillfest in collaboration with the president of the  
635 Student Board and the president of Samfunnet

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637 **Continuous tasks:**

- 638 • Plan the registration weekend together with SiT  
639 • Be available on email, and phone the whole duration of the position  
640 • Make sure that a good overlap with the person taking over, this entails updating the  
641 overlap documents, meetings and completion of all necessary document in the digital  
642 workplace for the Buddy Board.  
643 • Approve that activites are planned according to set rules considering inclusion, social  
644 pressure, safety and health.  
645 • Follow up that these activities are completed according to the set framework  
646 • Make sure that the necessary information are distributed to relevant channels for new  
647 students

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649 **Channels to report complaints:**

- 650 • Process complaints according to set rules  
651 • Complaint/reporting cases, the Student Board president and Studentombud – set  
652 infrastructure and channels for complaints during the Buddy Week  
653 • The Buddy General and the Buddy Board shall sign non disclosure agreement

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655 **Remuneration:** The remuneration is linked to the governmental basic amount of 1G. The  
656 weighting of the remuneration between buddy general and buddy secretary shall be 65% to  
657 genera and 35% to secretary, to be evenly allocated in the duration of the period they hold the  
658 positions.

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661 2168.2 Attachment 2 Instructions for the Control Committee

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663 **Working instructions for the Control Committee**

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*Approved at Student Parliament 4, 09.09.2019*

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**Jurisdiction**

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The Control Committee is an advisory committee that reports to the Student Parliament should there be a violation of statutes, guidelines or Rules of Procedure. If there is reason to believe there has been a violation of statutes, guidelines or Rules of Procedure the Control Committee can, both by request or by own initiative, investigate.

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**Composition and duration**

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The Control Committee consists of a leader and 2 members. The leader does not have a double vote. The committee is elected by the Student Parliament. The leader is elected at Student Parliament 6, while the ordinary members are elected at Student Parliament 3. Members of the Control Committee sit for the duration of 1 year.

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**Tasks**

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The Control Committee's tasks:

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- The Control Committee shall have overall supervision with that statutes, guidelines and Rules of Procedure are followed.
- The Control Committee shall attend Student Parliament meetings with at least two (2) members.
- At Student Parliament at least 1/one member of the committee shall be a member of the Counting Committee.
- The Control Committee shall deliver a written yearly report to the Student Parliament. This shall be presented as an orientation case at Student Parliament 6.
- The Control Committee can assist other organs in the student democracy upon request.
- The Control Committee shall be represented by at least one (1) member at Student Council dinners.

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Before Student Parliament meetings the Control Committee can have meetings with AU, and potentially the chairmen, to review cases.

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**Distrust**

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Should a motion of distrust be presented, the involved parties may request a statement from the Control Committee. This statement can only mention direct violations of the statutes, Rules of Procedure or working instructions approved by the Student Parliament. The Control Committee shall not make assessments of any other nature than whether there have been direct violations or not.

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**Overlap**

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The vice president of the Student Board is responsible for making sure that the newly elected members of the Control Committee have overlap. Overlap amongst other things means having meetings between sitting and newly elected members before the next Student Parliament

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704 meeting. The meetings shall be about the practice in the Control Committee as well as an  
705 orientation on any relevant cases.

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### 707 **Other positions**

708 Members of the Control Committee cannot at the same time have positions in the Student  
709 Democracy that might impact their impartiality. Members of the committee cannot within the  
710 duration of their position sit in the following committees:

- 711 - Student Board (AU)
- 712 - Student Parliament (representatives and chairmen)
- 713 - The University Board
- 714 - The Election Committee
- 715 - President of the SiÅs-Board

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### 717 **Changes to working instructions**

718 The working instructions for the Control Committee is approved by the Student Parliament by  
719 a qualified majority. Suggestions to change the working instructions must be presented to and  
720 approved by the Student Parliament.

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724 2168.3 Attachment 3 Instructions for the Election Committee

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726 Working instructions for the Election Committee at NMBU

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*Approved at Student Parliament 1 - 08.02.2021*

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729 With Elections, it is meant all elections, both elections made by Student Parliament and all  
730 Electronic Ballot Elections, where the whole student body have the right to vote. Not included  
731 are faculty elections.

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733 **Purpose:**

734 The Election Committee shall ensure that elections to the Student Democracy at NMBU is  
735 executed according to the Statutes, especially Chapter 5 "Elections and appointments" and that  
736 "Instructions for Elections" are followed.

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738 **Composition and meetings:**

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- The Election Committee consist of 4 members.
- The Election Committee chooses their own leader. If there is a tie in a vote, the leaders vote counts double.
- The leader of the Election Committee can summon meetings. Members of the Student Board can be summoned to meetings if needed. All the Election Committee members are obligated to attend every election committee meeting.
- The Election Committee are quorate when at least 60% of the committee is present at a meeting.
- Members of the Election Committee cannot run for any other elections in their period in the Election Committee, with an exception of a reelection to the Election Committee.

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749 **Instructions:**

- The Election Committee shall ensure that there are qualified candidates to all elections that are the Election Committees' responsibility
- The election committee shall work together with the Student Councils in order to get an overview of potential candidates.
- The election committee shall search amongst all NMBU students to find qualified candidates to elect, they shall strive make sure that the candidates reflect the diversity of the NMBU students.
- The Election Committee is case responsible for all election cases and are to present them in Student Parliament. They can suggest candidates. Members of the Election Committee can express dissent of the suggestions if there is a disagreement about candidates.
- The Election Committee shall in cooperation with the Student councils and the Student Board ensure that all students are well informed about upcoming elections and encourage students to run for election.

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764 **Miscellaneous:**

765 The representatives in the Election Committee should be invited and attend the Student  
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## 778 Work instructions for the Student Councils at NMBU

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**The Student Council's vision:** *The Student Council's primary function is to safeguard students' rights and interests at the faculty. The Student Council shall be an arena for communication, exchange of experience and cooperation across fields of study and between the Student Councils. The student councils will also work towards and in collaboration with the AU and the Student Parliament in student policy matters that are of interest to all students.*

### 787 Duties

- 788 • The Student Council is responsible for running the Student Council in a good way.
- 789 - Ensure that the students at their faculty are informed and updated about current issues at the
- 790 faculty and the campus.
- 791 - The Student Council is responsible for ensuring that the contact information is updated and
- 792 available for the students at the faculty.
- 793 • Ensure good communication and information flow internally and externally in the Student
- 794 Council.
- 795 - The Student Council is responsible for introducing stud001 (Introduction to Student
- 796 Democracy) to new students at the faculty.
- 797 - The Student Council is obliged to inform and update each other internally about changes in
- 798 matters. They should also search for information where it is needed.
- 799 - The Student Council shall work to have good contact with the Faculty Board and represent
- 800 the students at the faculty in a good way.
- 801 • The Student Council must agree on where to find information about the articles of
- 802 association, annual plan and date plan for the Student Democracy.
- 803 • The Student Councils must be updated on current issues at the Student Parliament and
- 804 directing necessary issues if necessary.
- 805 • Marketing.
- 806 - The Student Council must contribute to the Student Democracy being visible on campus.
- 807 - The Student Councils shall, in collaboration with the Student Board, be active during the
- 808 Buddy Week related to events such as the faculties' and "Samfunnets" rebus races.

- 809 - The Student Councils shall work for the recruitment of students to ensure the width of  
810 student representation.
- 811 • The Student Council is responsible for having Student Council meetings before each Student  
812 Parliament.
- 813 - Summon of Student Council meetings must be out no later than 1 week before. Minutes must  
814 be done, and the minutes must be sent to the Student Council no later than 2 days before the  
815 Student Parliament.
- 816 - Decision cases must be sent out 1 week before the meeting is held. The outcome of the vote is  
817 decided by a simple majority.
- 818 - Amendments to the resolution must be sent out 2 weeks before the meeting is held.
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820 **Composition of the Student Council (All positions are 1-year positions).**

821 The structure of the Student Councils was adopted at the Student Parliament 6, 2016.

822 - President. Elected at the spring General Assembly.

823 -Vice President. Elected at the autumn General Assembly.

824 - Student Parliament representatives. Elected at the autumn General Assembly.

825 - Faculty Board representatives. Elected by electronic urn selection in the autumn.

826 - Student representatives in the Faculty's research committee. 1 autumn +1 spring.

827 - Student representatives in the Faculty's teaching committee. 1 autumn + 1 spring.

828 - Student representatives in the Faculty's Selection committee. 1 autumn + 1 spring.

829 - Student representatives in the Faculty's Recruitment committee. 1 autumn + 1 spring.

830 - Representatives of class representatives. Elected at stud001.

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### 832 **Choices and overlaps**

833 • The Student Council is elected at the General Assembly of the various faculties.

834 - The General Assembly shall be held at least once each semester. At the General  
835 Assembly, all students have the right to speak up and vote at the faculties to which each  
836 individual belongs.

837 - After the General Assembly, the Student Council is responsible for ensuring that the  
838 management of the faculty receives the updated list of student representatives for the  
839 various councils and committees.

840 • All representatives in the Student Council who resign from a position are responsible for  
841 providing sufficient training to the incoming representative in the position.

- 842 • The departing representative must submit a written report to the incoming representative.  
843 Class representatives are an exception to this provision. The positions that shall write an  
844 annual report are the following:  
845 - Faculty board representatives  
846 - President and Vice President of the Student Council  
847 - The faculty's study issue committee  
848 - The faculty's research issue committee  
849 - The faculty's selection committee  
850 - The faculty's recruitment committee  
851 • Only students who belong to the certain faculty are allowed to vote in elections.  
852 • If it is not possible to find candidates for all positions, the student council can appoint  
853 students to vacant positions. This must be accepted by a simple majority of the student council  
854 meeting.

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### 856 **Archiving**

- 857 • The Student Councils are responsible for finding a platform for archiving that everyone in the  
858 Student Council has access to. This platform shall not be associated with a person but will be a  
859 position in the Student Council. For example, the way the student council email is today.  
860 Electronic learning platform is recommended.  
861 • In the platform, all minutes and overlap reports must be submitted for future Student  
862 Councils. The structure of the archiving is up to each Student Council, but the information  
863 should be easy to find.  
864 • The reports for overlap can also be sent to the vice president of the Student Board, who files  
865 it in the Student Democracy's file structure.

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### 867 **Regulations**

- 868 • It is up to each Student Council to create a supplementary instruction that is adapted to its  
869 own structure that meets the requirements contained in this instruction.

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871 Individual assignments for each individual position.

- 872 • President of the Student Council.  
873 - Has the strategic responsibility and is the Student Council's contact person  
874 - Contact person between the students and the administration at the faculty  
875 - Is the chair of Student Council meetings



- 876 - Sits at the Student Council dinner for the Student Parliament's Student Board
- 877 • Vice President of the Student Council.
- 878 - The Vice President has the organizational responsibility
- 879 - Update mailing lists and take minutes and notices available on the Student Council's
- 880 communication platform. The contact information shall be passed on to the faculty's
- 881 administration.
- 882 - Responsible for ordering food and drink for Student Council meetings
- 883 - The Vice President convenes to meetings and writes minutes
- 884 - Vice President sits in the working group for marketing of the Student Democracy
- 885 • Student Parliament representative
- 886 - - Is responsible for promoting the Student Council's opinions and decisions at the
- 887 Student Parliament.
- 888 - -Has a duty to attend a Student Council meeting, if a permanent representative cannot
- 889 attend their second has to attend.
- 890 - - Duty to attend the Student Parliament.
- 891 - - Has compulsory attendance at the Student Parliament's kick-off conference
- 892 - A Student Council representative has a duty to attend the Student Council dinner
- 893 - • The faculty's Committee of Study Issues is the strategic body within education at the
- 894 faculty.
- 895 - -The representative shall provide advice and strategic input to the faculty in matters
- 896 concerning education. In addition, matters delegated by the faculty board shall be
- 897 discussed / dealt with.
- 898 - - Has a duty to attend a Student Council meeting if a permanent representative cannot
- 899 attend their second has to attend.
- 900 - - Duty to attend meetings with their committees, if a permanent representative cannot
- 901 attend their second has to attend.
- 902 - - Has a duty to report to the Student Council.
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- 904 • The faculty's Research Committee is the faculty's research strategic body.
- 905 - The representative shall provide advice and strategic input to the faculty's management in
- 906 matters concerning research, and otherwise handle matters delegated from the faculty.
- 907 - Has a duty to attend the Student Council meetings, if a permanent representative cannot
- 908 attend their second has to attend.

- 909 - Duty to attend meetings of their committees, if a permanent representative cannot attend  
910 their second has to attend.
- 911 - Has a duty to report to the Student Council.
- 912 • The faculty's Selection Committee is the committee that assesses applications for positions at  
913 the faculty. The Committee gives its recommendation regarding who is to be employed at the  
914 faculty. The Selection committee has meetings when applicants are to be assessed, that is,  
915 summons if necessary.
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- 917 - The representative attends meetings, as well as trial lectures with relevant candidates.
- 918 - Has a duty to attend Student Council meetings, if a permanent representative cannot attend  
919 then their second must attend.
- 920 - Duty to attend meetings of their committees, if a permanent representative cannot attend  
921 then their second must attend
- 922 - Has a duty to report to the Student Council.
- 923 • The faculty's appointment committee is the committee that hires the candidates that the  
924 Selection committee has recommended. Like the Selection committee, the meetings are held  
925 when needed.
- 926 - Has a duty to attend Student Council meetings, if a permanent representative cannot attend  
927 then their second must attend
- 928 - Duty to attend meetings of their committees, if a permanent representative cannot attend  
929 then their second must attend.
- 930 - Has a duty to report to the Student Council.
- 931 • The Program Council is the committee that changes and develops the study plan and the  
932 study program.
- 933 - Has a duty to attend Student Council meetings, if a permanent representative cannot attend  
934 then their second must attend
- 935 - Duty to attend meetings of their committees, if a permanent representative cannot attend  
936 then their second must attend.
- 937 - Has a duty to report to the Student Council.
- 938 • Class representatives
- 939 - Has a duty to attend Student Council meetings, if a permanent representative cannot attend  
940 then their second must attend
- 941 - Class representatives must conduct at least three class meetings during the semester

942 - Do the preparing before the class meeting, if a permanent representative cannot attend then  
943 their second must attend

944 - Has a duty to report to the Student Council

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947 **Models 2 and 3 do not facilitate individual differences and study progression in the same**  
948 **way as model 1 - for those with reduced work capacity it will be challenging in terms of**  
949 **work intensity - Ole Kristian Solberg**

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953 2168.5 Attachment 5 Proposed budget for 2022

<b>Budget Proposal 2022</b>			954 055
<b>Student Parliament</b>	<b>B-2022</b>	<b>B-2021</b>	<b>B-2020</b>
Free fund NSO	50 000	-	-
Grants NMBU	1 640 880	1 692 000	1 590 000
Inclusion funds	250 000	250 000	250 000
Semester fee	1 000 000	920 000	920 000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2 940 880</b>	<b>2 862 000</b>	<b>2 760 000</b>
Salary	1 184 000	1 149 000	1 105 000
Payroll taxes	169 000	164 000	158 000
Employee insurance	14 000	14 000	14 000
<b>Total Cost Employees</b>	<b>1 367 000</b>	<b>1 327 000</b>	<b>1 277 000</b>
Course, training and education, 6710	200 000	190 000	140 000
Remuneration + Translation, 5330	20 000	27 000	27 000
Office, 6801	11 000	15 000	6 000
Operating exp, 7700 expired account	-	5 000	5 000
Phone/post, 6901/6940	1 000	1 000	1 000
Marketing etc, 7300	40 000	40 000	35 000
Travel, repr., 7140	50 000	40 000	44 000
NSO fee, Campus Ås	380 000	371 000	290 000
Student Parliament meetings, 7530	27 000	27 000	27 000
Travel 7140 (all travel)		24 000	24 000
Organisational expenses, 7531	5 000		
Organisational expenses, 6821		20 000	10 000
<b>Total Other Operational Expenses</b>	<b>734 000</b>	<b>760 000</b>	<b>609 000</b>
Welfare funds, Campus Ås	620 000	530 000	469 000
Inclusion Funds, NMBU	195 000	195 000	195 000
ISU NMBU	15 000	15 000	15 000
ESN	25 000	25 000	25 000
<b>Total Cultural/Social Measures</b>	<b>855 000</b>	<b>765 000</b>	<b>704 000</b>
<b>Total Operational Expenses</b>	<b>2 956 000</b>	<b>2 852 000</b>	<b>2 590 000</b>
<b>Annual Result</b>	<b>-15 120</b>	<b>10 000</b>	<b>170 000</b>

957 2168.6 Attachment 6 Accounting 2019, 2020 and so far in 2021

<b>Accounts</b>			
<b>Student Parliament</b>	<b>*hittill i år 2021</b>	<b>A-2020</b>	<b>A-2019</b>
Refunds	179 896	94285	69 436
Free fund NSO			
Grants NMBU	1 590 000	1 590 000	1 390 000
Inclusion funds	250 000	250 000	250 000
Semester fee	766 667	470 000	920 000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2 786 563</b>	<b>2 404 285</b>	<b>2 629 436</b>
Salary	855 706	1 074 329	1 070 508
Payroll taxes	120 202	151 632	151 935
Employee insurance	9 284	12 046	10 714
<b>Total Cost Employees</b>	<b>985 192</b>	<b>1 238 007</b>	<b>1 233 157</b>
Remuneration + Translation, 5330	5 175	1 955	5 330
Course, training and education, 6710	178 832	163 383	104 118
Office, 6801 inc supplies	8 957	9 200	3 659
Organisational expenses, 6821	6 695	6 862	8 493
Phone/post, 6901/6940		1 272	23
NSO fee, Campus Ås	146 921	299 008	288 192
Travel , 7140	20 933	9 387	31 434
Marketing etc, 7300	85 691	45 870	14 663
Meeting, travel, repr., 7350	4 043	6 654	
Buddy Week 7527		**	10 810
Barbeque AU 7528	20 169	**	9 713
Student Parliament meetings, 7530	10 127	9 103	19 163
Organisational expenses, 7531	8 731	15 422	592
Campus Transport 7532 expired account		7 615	7 429
Operating expenses, 7700 expired account			2 475
<b>Total Other Operational Expenses</b>	<b>496 274</b>	<b>575 731</b>	<b>506 094</b>
Welfare funds, Campus Ås	491 737	426 374	481 535
Inclusion Funds, NMBU	159 980	148 112	233 616
ESN NMBU	15 000		15 000
ISU NMBU	25 000		25 000
<b>Total Cultural/Social Measures</b>	<b>691 717</b>	<b>574 486</b>	<b>755 151</b>
<b>Total Operational Expenses</b>	<b>2 173 183</b>	<b>2 388 224</b>	<b>2 494 402</b>
<b>Annual Result</b>	<b>613 380</b>	<b>16 061</b>	<b>135 034</b>

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## 961 Plan of Action 2022

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963 *Adopted at Student Parliament 6, XX.XX.XXXX*

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965 This is the action plan for student democracy. It has been adopted by the Student Parliament  
966 and states what is desirable for the organization to prioritize working with in the coming year.  
967 It is assumed that continuous assessments are always made and there is an understanding that  
968 both needs can change and that unforeseen things can arise. In addition to the measures in the  
969 action plan, the daily operation of student democracy must be ensured. In the annual report  
970 from the Student Board, the various points in the action plan must be commented on so that  
971 Student Parliament is informed about where the process is and what assessments have been  
972 made. The action plan shall not contain policy but shall contain measures to increase impact of  
973 the Student Parliament's policy. The action plan is linked to the long-term strategy that applies  
974 from 2021-2023.  
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### 976 **Internationalization**

- 977 • Ensure that all international exchange students receive a dignified welcome at NMBU. In  
978 collaboration with SiT, Fadderuka, ISU, and ESN, work will be done to increase communication,  
979 information flow and integration at the start of studies.
- 980 • Work to ensure that foreign-language international students are included in all councils and  
981 committees at NMBU.
- 982 • Collaborate with SAIH on a campaign to highlight international issues and the creation of a  
983 new subject around Scholars at Risk.
- 984 • A workshop will be arranged with the Student Society and UKA to share good inclusion  
985 measures that can be used for inclusive events, and to build a supportive cross-culture in the  
986 student community.  
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### 988 **Environment**

- 989 • Work to improve the traffic situation in Ås, primarily campus, with a focus on improved  
990 public transport, cyclists, and safety for pedestrians.
- 991 • The Student Democracy will challenge the principal to ask questions about a climate neutral  
992 NMBU for all students and employees.
- 993 • Be visible and contributing to issues concerning NMBU as a sustainability university and  
994 ensure that the Environmental Action Plan is followed up.
- 995 • Work to make SiÅs more sustainable, with a focus on better systems for reusing furniture  
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### 997 **Student life**

- 998 • The Student Board shall work to ensure that all students who complete a degree at NMBU  
999 receive a dignified academic completion.
- 1000 • Meetings will be regularly arranged for association leaders where topics such as inclusion,  
1001 role understanding and responsibility are addressed, and experiences are exchanged.
- 1002 • The Student Democracy will work to ensure that NMBU retains the mentoring settlement,  
1003 which supports new students beyond the Buddy Week.
- 1004 • The Student Democracy must work for good physical and mental health services for all  
1005 students in Ås.
- 1006 • In collaboration with SiÅs work to ensure that students gain a better understanding of what  
1007 SiÅs is, what they do and how they are organized.
- 1008 • Work for a good two-way integration of the VET students at campus Ås.
- 1009 • The Student Democracy will follow up the position of Buddy General in its new form.

- 1010 • Develop a mandate for the use of room UU117, the Thorvald and Thora room, as a common  
1011 room for all students at NMBU.  
1012 • Work against loneliness and exclusion - further development of intranet pages for students.  
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## 1014 **Study quality**

- 1015 • The Student Democracy shall follow up the action plan for universal design and psychosocial  
1016 study environment.  
1017 • Efforts will be made to create a pilot for special courses for union representatives (formerly  
1018 AOS234).  
1019 • Efforts will be made to merit teachers at NMBU, where the students will be represented in the  
1020 work.  
1021 • The Student Board will work for increased focus on interdisciplinarity and sustainability,  
1022 including the establishment of interdisciplinary common subjects.  
1023 • A document for digitization at NMBU must be investigated.  
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## 1026 **The Student Democracy**

- 1027 • The working committee shall work to formalize and remunerate Student Council presidents  
1028 and Student Council vice presidents  
1029 • Work to improve Student Democracy at the organizational level, so that there can be  
1030 increased contact between class representatives and other members of the organization.  
1031 • Training of newly elected representatives shall be arranged after the general meetings each  
1032 semester, under the auspices of the student councils.  
1033 • A regular exchange of experience between the Student Councils shall be maintained,  
1034 including continuing the (hva star det på norsk her) , the Student Leadership Group.  
1035 • The Student Board shall arrange regular seminars with students in the University Board and  
1036 in the Faculty Boards.  
1037 • During the Student Election each semester, a marketing campaign will be carried out with the  
1038 aim of getting as many students as possible to use their right to vote.  
1039 • The Student Board shall co-operate with other student democracies on national student  
1040 policy issues.  
1041 • The Student Board shall respond to relevant hearings that affect the University and College  
1042 sector.  
1043 • The Student Parliament and the Student Councils shall be represented where the students are  
1044 located and participate in relevant events under the auspices of Samfunnet and Fadderuka,  
1045 such as debates and rebus.  
1046 • Social events must be arranged regularly for the Student Parliament.  
1047 • The marketing of the Student Democracy and the Student Parliament will be increased, and  
1048 there will be a focus on building a common identity and brand.  
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## 1050 **Research and innovation**

- 1051 • Make research groups and the academic environments at NMBU visible to students, primarily  
1052 the Sustainability Arenas.  
1053 • Efforts will be made to make student innovation infrastructures visible and to improve  
1054 resources related to research on campus.  
1055 • The Student Board will focus on increased working life relevance, nearby practical educations  
1056 and student active research related to relevant councils and committees.  
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1059 2168.8 Attachment 8 Plan of Action 2021

1060 Plan for action for the Student Democracy for 2021

1061 *Approved at Student Parliament 6, 09.11.2020*

1062 This is the plan of action for the Student Democracy. It is approved by the Student Parliament  
1063 and states the priorities for the organization the coming year. It is assumed that continuous  
1064 assessments are made at all times and there is an understanding that both needs can change  
1065 and that unforeseen things can arise. In addition to the measures in the Plan of Action the daily  
1066 operation of the student democracy must be ensured. In the annual report by the Student  
1067 Board the different measures in the plan of actions shall be addressed, so that the Student  
1068 Parliament is oriented on where they are in the process and what assessments that have been  
1069 done. The plan of action shall not contain politics, but measures to ensure that the Student  
1070 Parliament's politics have an impact. The Plan of action is linked to the Long term strategy for  
1071 the student Democracy 2021-2023.

1072 **Internationalization**

- 1073 • Highlight problems and thresholds international students encounter.  
1074 • Work to restore Norwegian courses for international students.  
1075 • Work to ensure that foreign-language international students are included in all councils and  
1076 committees at NMBU.  
1077 • Collaborate with SAIH on a campaign to highlight international issues.

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1079 **Environment**

- 1080 • The working committee will work with the county municipality and the municipality for  
1081 improved public transport for students at NMBU.  
1082 • Work to improve the bicycle offer in Ås by establishing a cycle path along Drøbaksveien.  
1083 • The Student Democracy will challenge the headmaster to ask a question about climate neutral  
1084 NMBU for all students and employees.  
1085 • Be visible and contributing to issues concerning NMBU as a sustainability university.  
1086 • The student Democracy will work for sidewalks and pedestrian areas where students travel  
1087 in traffic.

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1089 **Student life**

- 1090 • Meetings will be regularly arranged for association leaders where topics such as inclusion,  
1091 role understanding and responsibility are addressed, and exchanges of experience are  
1092 arranged.  
1093 • The working committee shall work to ensure that all students who complete a degree at  
1094 NMBU get a worthy academic conclusion.  
1095 • The Student Democracy will work to ensure that NMBU has a well-functioning mentoring  
1096 scheme, which supports new students beyond the sponsorship week.  
1097 • Student Democracy will work for a good health care for all students in Ås.  
1098 • In cooperation with SiÅs the Student Democracy shall work so that the student get a better  
1099 understanding for what SiÅs is, what the organization is, and how it is organized.  
1100 • Work to ensure a safe and good move for the veterinary students to Ås  
1101 • The Student Democracy shall work for that the Buddy general shall be a paid position, and be  
1102 more formal.

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- 1104 **Study quality**  
1105 • Students will help formulate new action plan for universal design and psychosocial study  
1106 environment.  
1107 • Efforts will be made to make a special course for elected students (formerly AOS234)  
1108 available.  
1109 • Efforts will be made to merit lecturers at NMBU, and students will be represented in the  
1110 work.  
1111 • The working committee will be working for a greater focus on interdisciplinarity, including  
1112 the establishment of multidisciplinary common core.

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1114 **The student Democracy**

- 1115 • It will be held training of newly elected representatives for general meetings each semester,  
1116 organized by student councils.  
1117 • Work for increased contact between class representatives and other parts of the  
1118 organization.  
1119 • There should be taken to ensure regular exchange of experience between student councils.  
1120 • AU will organize regular seminars with students of the University Board and the Faculty  
1121 Boards of Directors.  
1122 • During Student choice each semester will be carried out a marketing campaign with the goal  
1123 of maximizing students to use their voting.  
1124 • The working committee shall co-operate with other student democracies on national student  
1125 policy issues.  
1126 • The working committee will respond to relevant hearings that affect the University and  
1127 College sector.  
1128 • The Student Parliament and the student councils will be represented where the students are,  
1129 and participate in relevant events under the auspices of Samfunnet and Fadderuka, such as  
1130 debates and puzzles.  
1131 • Social events must be arranged regularly for the Student Parliament.

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1135 2168.9 Attachment 9 Unjustified furlough from studies

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### 1137 **Unjustified furlough from studies**

1138 Today, a student at NMBU can only apply for furlough if you are pregnant, sick, have caring  
1139 duties, have military service, have demanding positions in student organizations or other  
1140 special circumstances. In contrast to many other universities in Norway, such as UiO, NTNU, UiB,  
1141 UiS (see references), where you can apply for unjustified furlough from all study programs,  
1142 with some exceptions. The difference between justified and unjustified furlough is that  
1143 documentation is required for justified furlough. If the reason why you want furlough is that  
1144 you are tired, have lost motivation or need new impulses, then this cannot be documented on  
1145 paper.

1146 By giving students this opportunity, it can give them a valuable experience from working life,  
1147 gain international experiences or other impulses you do not have the capacity to follow up  
1148 when studying. Other universities in Norway facilitate that a student shall have the  
1149 opportunity to do this and offer both justified and unjustified furlough.

1150 NMBU should facilitate that a student who are offered a job, an internship or want to travel  
1151 should be able to take this opportunity. This will also increase the individual's freedom, and the  
1152 opportunity for personal growth and individual facilitation of the study program. Furthermore,  
1153 this will make the students more efficient and concentrated in the periods they study.

1154 Students at NMBU should have the same rights and opportunities as other students in Norway.

1155 The Student Parliament at NMBU believes that:

- 1156 • All students at NMBU shall have the right to unjustified furlough from their studies.

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1159 References:

1160 **UiB:** <https://www.uib.no/student/48750/permisjon-fra-studiene>

1161 **UiO:** <https://www.uio.no/studier/tilrettelegging-permisjon/permisjon/>

1162 **NTNU:** [https://www.ntnu.no/c/document\\_library/get\\_file?uuid=3e03cbc0-89d0-497c-b0ff-84ee9fd08acf&groupId=16067](https://www.ntnu.no/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=3e03cbc0-89d0-497c-b0ff-84ee9fd08acf&groupId=16067)

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1164 **UiS:** [https://www.uis.no/sites/default/files/inline-](https://www.uis.no/sites/default/files/inline-images/atrxTeaO0DT473wdqKkWLz7p6699Sw7jFS75EyhSvyHLBOKanL.pdf)

1165 [images/atrxTeaO0DT473wdqKkWLz7p6699Sw7jFS75EyhSvyHLBOKanL.pdf](https://www.uis.no/sites/default/files/inline-images/atrxTeaO0DT473wdqKkWLz7p6699Sw7jFS75EyhSvyHLBOKanL.pdf)

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2168.10 Attachment 10 Current Statutes for the Student Parliament

## **Proposed new Statutes for the Student Democracy at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences**

Proposed new Statutes for the Student Democracy at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences

*Approved at the foundational meeting: 27.11.2013. Last revised 14.09.2020*

### **Chapter Overview:**

1. Purpose and Scope
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11. Amendments to the Statutes
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### **Chapter 1: Purpose and Scope**

#### **§ 1-1 Purpose**

The Student Democracy at NMBU has the purpose of protecting the students' interests and bringing forward their inputs.

#### **§ 1-2 Scope**

These statutes apply to all organs of the Student Democracy at NMBU and are constructed in accordance with national laws and regulations. Instructions taken up in chapter 8 cannot go against these statutes.

### **Chapter 2: Structure of the Student Democracy at NMBU**

#### **§ 2-1 At a Central Level**

The highest democratic organ in the Student Democracy at NMBU is the Student Parliament. The daily operations of the Student Parliament are carried out by the Student Parliament's Student Board.

#### **§ 2-2 At a Faculty Level**

At the Faculty level, the Student Democracy consists of Student Councils. Student Councils are constructed of:

- President and vice president of the student councils
- Class representatives
- Faculty student representatives in the following committees and positions:

- The student Parliament
- The Faculty Board
- The Education Committee
- The Program councils
- The Research Committee
- The Selection Committee
- The Appointment Committee

1218 The Faculty general assembly is the highest student democracy organ at a faculty level.  
1219 Between faculty general assemblies the student councils stand for the daily operations and  
1220 representations of the faculty's student democracy.  
1221 The Student Council at Campus Adamstuen is delegated the power of communication and  
1222 representation over the Welfare Committee in Oslo and Akershus.

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### 1224 **Chapter 3: The Student Parliament**

#### 1225 **§ 3-1 Powers and Functions**

1226 The Student Parliament represents all students at NMBU, and decisions made in the Student  
1227 Parliament are made on the behalf of all students. The Student Parliament has the  
1228 responsibility to inform about decisions made. Closing of the meeting must follow the  
1229 provisions in §3-6.

#### 1230 **§ 3-2 Construction**

1231 The Faculties at NMBU are constituents of the Student Parliament. The Student Parliament  
1232 consists of 25 representatives. These representatives are distributed according to the  
1233 democracy model.

1234 The division method for the mandatory seat allocation follows this formula:

1235  $V$

1236  $2s+1$

1237  $V$ = Number of students at the faculty

1238  $S$ = Number of student representatives the faculty is allocated

1239 Updated number of students can be found in the Database for Statistics on Higher Education  
1240 (DBH) every fall. The average of the number of students for the spring semester and fall  
1241 semester make up the basis for the following year's representative distribution in the Student  
1242 Parliament.

1243 The democracy model distributes one representative at the time. The largest faculty after the  
1244 calculation gets awarded a student parliament representative. In the first round the student  
1245 mass are divided by  $2^{(0+1)}$ . If the Faculty receives a representative, the student mas will be  
1246 divided into 4 (ex  $2^{(1+1)}$ ), and after that in 8 (ex  $2^{(2+1)}$ ), 16 (ex  $2^{(3+1)}$ ) etc. This is done  
1247 until all the student parliament seats are distributed.

1248 This calculation basis is presented for orientation before the fall faculty general assemblies.

#### 1249 **§ 3-3 Constituting**

1250 The Student Parliament representatives are elected for one year at the time. One should aim  
1251 for the constituent Student Parliament to be held between the fall faculty general assemblies  
1252 and the new year.

#### 1253 **§ 3-4 Meetings and Summoning**

1254 The Student Parliament must hold at least 3 meetings per semester. The Student Board is  
1255 responsible for summoning the Student Parliament. Summoning and case papers should be  
1256 made available to all students at least 7 days before the meeting. Electronic decisions are the  
1257 exclusion of this statute cf. §3-10.

1258 The provision that the summoning and case papers need to be made available for all students  
1259 in the first paragraph entails that they need to be translated to English. If there is uncertainty  
1260 about the translation, the Norwegian version will be the basis for understanding. Further  
1261 specification is outlined in the instructions for the Student Parliament.

1262 All students with a valid semester registration have the right to send in cases to the Student  
1263 Parliament. This must be done at the latest 14 days before the meeting if the case is to be  
1264 handled. This provision does not count for cases to be handled under "other." Further  
1265 specification is outlined in the instructions for the Student Parliament. Extraordinary Student  
1266 Parliaments is held if at least 3 members of the Student Board, at least 13 representatives from  
1267 the Student Parliament, or at least 25 students desire it. Extraordinary Student Parliament is to

1268 be made known to the public at least 7 days before taking place, and should only handle the  
1269 case(s) that were the reason for its summoning.

### 1270 **§ 3-5 Representation at the Student Parliament**

1271 The following people are required to attend Student Parliament, and are required to give a  
1272 written notification before the meeting if they cannot attend: - The Student Parliament's  
1273 Representatives - The Student Parliament's Student Board - The Student Parliament's  
1274 organizational secretary - The Student Parliament's chairmen At least one representative from  
1275 the following organs must attend the meeting: - The Student Representative in the University  
1276 Board - The Student Representative in the SiÅs board - The International Student Union (ISU) -  
1277 The Control Committee

1278 All students at NMBU have the right to attend the Student Parliament.

### 1279 **§ 3-6 Closing of a Meeting.**

1280 The Student Parliament's meetings are open. The Student Parliament can decide to close a  
1281 meeting with a qualified majority from the representatives in attendance

1282 With the closing of a meeting, separate minutes will be recorded that are withheld from public  
1283 disclosure.

### 1284 **§ 3-7 Decision Validity**

1285 The Student Parliament can make valid decisions when at least 50% of the representatives are  
1286 in attendance.

### 1287 **§ 3-8 Voting rights and Voting**

1288 The Student Parliament's representatives have a voting right. If a main representative notifies  
1289 of an absence, their appointed substitute has a voting right when in attendance. Decisions in  
1290 the Student Parliament are normally made with a 50% majority. Decisions are made with hand  
1291 raising, unless one representative asks for a written voting. With a voting tie, the Student  
1292 Parliament can take a new vote. With a continued tie after a second voting, the case can be  
1293 handled according to the proposed resolution.

### 1294 **§3-9 Speaking and Proposal Rights**

1295 Everybody has a right to speak at Student parliament meetings. All students at NMBU has the  
1296 right to propose cases at Student parliament meetings.

### 1297 **§ 3-10 Electronic Voting**

1298 Electronic voting can be used to make decisions about single cases. Electronic voting is carried  
1299 out in the method described in the instructions for electronic voting. The deadline to vote  
1300 electronically is within 7 days.

1301 Electronic voting cannot be used to vote on matters concerning the following:

- 1302 - Elections
- 1303 - Cases of mistrust
- 1304 - Changing to the Student Parliament's committee documents and instructions
- 1305 - Appointment of the student representatives to councils and committees
- 1306 - Other matters of considerable nature

1307 Main Student Parliament Representatives have voting rights with electronic voting.

1308 Electronic voting cannot take place if one or some student parliament representatives wish to  
1309 handle the case at a normal student parliament before the deadline. The desire must be  
1310 justified.

### 1311 **§ 3-11 Position Resignation**

1312 The Student Parliament representatives automatically resign from their position in the Student  
1313 Parliament when the position they are elected to starts, in the following organs:

- 1314 - The Student Parliament's Student Board
- 1315 - The University Board
- 1316 - The SiÅs Board
- 1317 - The Student Board of the Norwegian Student Organization
- 1318 - The Control Committee

1319 With position resignation, the position holder's deputy representative automatically inherits  
1320 the position as a main representative.

1321 Position resignation, a supplementary election will be conducted in accordance with § 5-5

### 1322 **§3-12 Temporary Position Resignation**

1323 In the case of partiality, there will be a temporary place resignation. This means that the  
1324 representative withdraws from their position in cases where it applies. In the case of  
1325 temporary place resignation the deputy will take over cf. § 6-1

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## 1327 **Chapter 4: The Student Parliament's Student Board**

### 1328 **§ 4-1 Powers and Functions**

1329 The Student Board (AU) carries out the Student Parliament's daily operations and represents  
1330 the Student Parliament between meetings. AU can make decisions in urgent cases, cases that  
1331 are delegated due to earlier decisions in the Student Parliament, and appoint people to non-  
1332 decision making committees. AU makes proposals in all cases handled by the Student  
1333 Parliament, with the exception of Elections.

### 1334 **§ 4-2 Composition**

1335 The Student Parliament's Student Board shall consist of the following members:

1336 - President

1337 - Student Board member

1338 - Student Board member.

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1340 The Student Board constitutes their areas of responsibility internally.

1341 Working time and election periods are regulated according to functions § 5-1.

### 1342 **§ 4-3 Decision Ability and Voting Ties**

1343 The Student Board can make valid decisions when at least four members are in attendance.

1344 With a voting tie in the Student Board, the president has a double vote.

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## 1346 **Chapter 5: Elections and Appointments**

### 1347 **§ 5-1 Eligibility for the Student Democracy**

1348 The overarching rule is that all Students at NMBU with a valid semester registration can run for  
1349 positions in the Student Democracy. This applies unless otherwise specified.

### 1350 **§ 5-2 Electronic Ballot Elections**

1351 a) Election of the Student Board

1352 The Student Parliament's Student Board are elected through Electronic Ballot Voting, where all  
1353 students with a valid semester registration have the right to vote. The elections take place in  
1354 April every year. They hold their position for 1 year, between 1.7. until 30.6.

1355 b) Election to the University Board

1356 Two student representatives are elected, one of each gender, with a deputy. They are chosen  
1357 through an electronic ballot vote, where all students with a valid semester registration have  
1358 the right to vote. The election takes place every year in April/May for female representatives,  
1359 and in November for male representatives. They hold the position for one year, from 01.07 to  
1360 30.06 for the spring election, and 01.01-31.12 for the fall election.

1361 c) Elections to the Faculty Board

1362 Student Representatives are chosen through electronic ballot voting, where all students with a  
1363 valid semester registration have the right to vote within their respective faculties. They hold  
1364 the position for one year, from 01.01-31.12 for male representatives (elected in November)  
1365 and 01.07-30.06 for female representatives (elected in April/May).

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### 1367 **§ 5-3 Other elections and appointments conducted in the Student Parliament**

1368 The Student Parliament elects student representatives to central positions and committees at  
1369 NMBU, to individual committees and to the board for student welfare organization. All

1370 elections are done by writing. In the case that only one candidate is running, they can be  
1371 elected by acclamation, unless at least one representative wishes to have a written voting  
1372 process.

1373 With a tie in voting between two candidates, a new voting round will be held. With a continued  
1374 tie after a new voting round, the decision will be made according to the proposed resolution. If  
1375 there is no suggestion made the decision will be made by drawing lots. Those chosen in this  
1376 paragraph have minute requirements to the Student Parliament.

1377 Student Representatives that are not connected to the Student Welfare Organization in Ås  
1378 (SiÅs) do not have voting rights for the representatives of The SiÅs Board.

#### 1379 **§ 5-4 Supplementary Elections**

1380 Normally, a supplementary election will be held in the case of place resignation.

1381 Supplementary elections follow the same election rules as normal elections. This can be  
1382 adjusted in cases of urgent votes, or other reasons in which it is appropriate.

### 1383 **Chapter 6: Impartiality**

#### 1384 **§ 6-1 Impartiality**

1385 For someone to be “partial” entails that there are circumstances that are likely to cause bias in  
1386 the person’s judgment. This can happen when a person is a part of a case or has strong  
1387 personal consequences from the results of a case, or has close family with the previously  
1388 mentioned. In order to have good administrative practices, questions of partiality must be  
1389 strict. This means that a

1390 lot must happen to name a representative partial. Those that are named partial must  
1391 temporarily resign from the case, cf. § 3-12. Cases of partiality are handled with a 50% majority  
1392 voting from the relevant organ, and the person in question cannot vote. If more than one  
1393 person in a case is questioned about partiality, none of the involved can partake in voting about  
1394 their own or others’ partiality, unless the organ is no longer a decision making organ in the  
1395 case. In this case, all meeting members can participate.

### 1397 **Chapter 7: Mistrust**

#### 1398 **§ 7-1 Mistrust**

1399 Issues of mistrust can be brought up by Student Parliament representatives or other organs of  
1400 the Student Democracy, and should be delivered to the Student Parliament’s organizational  
1401 secretary. When handling these issues at the student parliament, the one that the case is  
1402 brought up against has the opportunity to present their own case.

#### 1403 **§ 7-2 Ability to ask for a statement from the control committee**

1404 If cases where mistrust are brought forward, both parties can ask for a statement from the  
1405 control committee in sufficient time before the case is handled.

#### 1406 **§ 7-3 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by the student parliament**

1407 With a 2/3 majority vote amongst representatives in attendance, the student parliament can  
1408 decide that an officer is mistrusted, following statutes §§ 5-1 second paragraph, and 5-3. Those  
1409 who are deemed distrusted must immediately resign as an appointee from the student  
1410 parliament

#### 1411 **§ 7-4 Issues of mistrust against the representatives chosen by Electronic Ballot Voting**

1412 With issues of mistrust against representatives chosen through electronic ballot voting after  
1413 statues §§ 5-2 a and c, it is handled first by the Student Parliament. If it is proposed by a  
1414 qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance, it will be handled through an  
1415 electronic ballot vote where all students with a valid semester registration have the right to  
1416 vote. The approval of the mistrust requires at least a 50% majority of votes. Those who have  
1417 cases of mistrust approved against them must resign immediately from their position.

1418 Cases of mistrust cannot be taken against student representatives in the University Board, as it  
1419 goes against Lov om universiteter og høyskoler § 9-8. (The laws for Universities and Higher  
1420 schools)

1421 **Chapter 8: Documents**

1422 **§ 8-1 Documents approved by Student Parliament**

1423 The following documents are to be approved by the Student Parliament:

- 1424 - Statutes
- 1425 - Program of Principles
- 1426 - Political documents
- 1427 - Decrees/Resolutions
- 1428 - Economic regulations
- 1429 - Plan of Action
- 1430 - Budget
- 1431 - Schedule
- 1432 - Working instructions for the Control Committee
- 1433 - Working Instructions for the Student Board.
- 1434 - Instructions for the Rules of Procedure and Agenda.
- 1435 - Instructions for Elections of the Student Board and other elections.

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1437 **§ 8-1-1 Statutes**

1438 The statutes outrank all other management documents.

1439 **§ 8-1-2 Program of Principles**

1440 The Program of Principles determines the organization's ground principles and executive  
1441 political priorities. The Program of Principles outranks the rest of the Student Parliament's  
1442 politics.

1443 The Program of Principles shall be treated every 3rd year. The Student Parliament can choose  
1444 to treat the Program of Principles at any time. The Program of Principles shall be treated in two  
1445 student parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the first meeting and a decision case in  
1446 the second meeting.

1447 **§ 8-1-3 Political documents**

1448 Political documents determine what the Student Parliament thinks of a certain topic. These  
1449 shall not go against the Program of Principles, but outside of this, political documents outrank  
1450 the rest of the Student Parliament's politics. A document is valid for 5 years. Political  
1451 documents shall be treated in two student parliament meetings: with a discussion case in the  
1452 first meeting, and a decision case in the second meeting.

1453 **§ 8-2 Instructions for the Student Councils**

1454 The Student Parliament adopts a standardized instruction for the composition of student  
1455 councils at NMBU. The Student parliament decides the structure and composition of Student  
1456 Councils. The Student Councils have the power to make their own local instructions, but not  
1457 remove or change the composition without approval from the Student Parliament.

1458 **§ 8-3 Other Instructions**

1459 The Student Parliament can approve of other instructions as needed.

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1461 **Chapter 9: Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU**

1462 **§ 9-1 Dissolution**

1463 Dissolution of the Student Democracy at NMBU must be approved of with a qualified majority  
1464 amongst present representatives for two consecutive student parliaments. The decision goes  
1465 into effect after the second meeting is adjourned. Proposals for dissolution must be made at  
1466 least 4 weeks before it is handled for the first time, and the first student parliament meeting  
1467 that handles the case is to be an open meeting where all students at NMBU are called in.

1468 **§ 9-2 Merging with Other Student Democracies**

1469 Merging of the Student Democracy at NMBU with other student democracies must be approved  
1470 of with a qualified majority amongst representatives in attendance for two consecutive



1471 meetings. Proposals for merging must specify the point in time at which the merge will take  
1472 place.

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1474 **Chapter 10: Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

1475 **§ 10-1 Membership in the Norwegian Student Organization**

1476 The Student Democracy at NMBU is a member of the Norwegian student organization (NSO).  
1477 Withdrawal must follow the protocol of NSOs statutes.

1478 Chapter 11: Amendments to the Statues

1479 **§ 11-1 Submitting of Amendment Proposals**

1480 Proposals for amendments of these statutes should be taken to the Student Parliament's  
1481 Student Board at least 14 days before the meeting in which they will be addressed, and needs  
1482 to be made public to all students at least 7 days before the meeting.

1483 **§ 11-2 Decisions and Effectiveness**

1484 With a qualified majority vote amongst representatives in attendance, the Student Parliament  
1485 can decide that changes go into effect immediately after they are adopted

1486 With a qualified majority, the Student Parliament can bring changed into effect. The Student  
1487 Parliament's Student Board has the power to make editorial changes in these Statutes. Such  
1488 changes must be presented for orientation during the first meeting after they are made.

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1490 **Chapter 12: Definitions**

1491 **§ 12-1 Majority Voting**

1492 Simple Majority: This means that a proposal receives the most votes

1493 50% majority: This means that a proposal receives more than ½ of the votes from participating  
1494 voters

1495 Qualified Majority: This means that a proposal receives 2/3 or more of the votes from the  
1496 participating voters

1497 Absolute Majority: A proposal receives more than ½ of the total number of votes

1498 Absolute Qualified Majority: A proposal receives 2/3 or more of the total number of votes

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1501 2168.11 Attachment 11 Resolution concerning SiÅs rental prices

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1503 **Resolution concerning SiÅs rental prices**

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1505 From autumn of 2016 to autumn of 2020, student aid for a basic month (normal study month)  
1506 has increased by 8.03% - from 7796.25 NOK to 8421.78 NOK. Within the same five-year  
1507 interval, the University foundation for student life in Ås (SiÅs) has increased the monthly rent  
1508 for a room in a 16-person residence by 13.51% - from 4070 NOK to 4620 NOK (see attached  
1509 calculation).

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1511 This is a development that has engendered poorer finances for the students, as the cost level  
1512 for the students has increased more than the income. It is not only the rental prices that have  
1513 increased since 2016, so have transport prices, food prices and other products and services.  
1514 When some actors alone increase prices by 13.51%, they consume almost the entire increase  
1515 income alone. Overall, this has weakened our purchasing power as students. This is not a  
1516 sustainable development and can have consequences far beyond the student's budget.

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1518 The Student Democracy at NMBU believes that:

- 1519 • The rental prices at the University foundation for student life in Ås (SiÅs) should not have a  
1520 higher percentage increase than the consumer price index (CPI).

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1523 2168.12 Attachment 12 Resolution about equal access to sanitary products

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## 1525 Equal access to sanitary products at NMBU

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*Approved at Student Parliament 6, xx.xx.xxxx*

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1528 According to the long-term strategy of NMBU for 2021-2023, it is important to ensure a good  
1529 learning environment and a good daily student life. This means students must have access to  
1530 everything they need in everyday life in their immediate environment(1)

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1532 As students, we spend many hours at university and most of us are likely to eat lunch and use  
1533 the toilet at university. However, it is observed that restrooms are not equal for all students,  
1534 because hygiene products are not provided and distributed to the same extent for the biological  
1535 needs of people who menstruate.

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1537 Toiletries such as toilet paper and soap are supplied for free, and students of all genders use  
1538 them. For people who do not menstruate, their biological needs are met. However, for people  
1539 who do, it is impossible to find free menstrual products (tampons and pads) at NMBU. The  
1540 university takes care of the sexual health of students by providing free condoms and chlamydia  
1541 tests in different locations, but when it comes to products that are a real necessity for students  
1542 who menstruate, we do not see the same level of assistance.

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1544 Menstruation is a biological function which is impossible to control. Some students get their  
1545 period unexpectedly during the day while being on campus. Not having the supplies we need to  
1546 have a good environment can create discomfort, stress and disruption of the academic activities.  
1547 Some students who menstruate need to go back home to get the necessary supplies. Others need  
1548 to improvise a pad or tampon with a lot of toilet paper to 'solve' the need. Others cannot focus  
1549 on classes because of the fear of leaking. Therefore, we consider menstrual products a necessity  
1550 in the school environment.

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1552 This initiative is already being undertaken at universities across the globe, such as Purdue  
1553 University, USA, and SRM University, India. We think NMBU should join in this effort towards  
1554 gender equality at the university.

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1556 Facilitating those supplies in restrooms will improve the daily student life and contribute to  
1557 gender equality.

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1559 Therefore, we propose that the Student Parliament adopt the following resolution:

1560 Tampons and pads must be provided in restrooms free of cost in every building at NMBU.

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