

Social Sciences Student Union at Lund University

STATUTES

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In case of conflict, the Swedish version of the statutes is the binding one.

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1. Purpose and organisation

§1.1 Purpose

The Social Sciences Student Union at Lund University (henceforward the Social Sciences Student Union) is a democratically, politically and religiously unaffiliated student organization, operating as student union at Lund University, in particular at the Faculty of Social Sciences. The Social Sciences Student Union's purpose is to promote and monitor the interests in education and student welfare of the students in relation to Lund University and other relevant actors. Furthermore, the Social Sciences Student Union shall aim to create solidarity amongst the represented students and especially promote the role of the social sciences in society.

§1.2 Organisation

The Social Sciences Student Union consist of:

- Representative Assembly,
- Board,
- Presiding Committee,
- Coordinators,
- Nominating Council,
- Election Committee,
- Sections,
- Elected committees, and
- Auditors

§1.3 Operational Year

The Social Sciences Student Union's operational and fiscal year stretches from 1st of July to 30th of June.

§1.4 Signatory

The Social Sciences Student Union's Board have the right to sign the firm. The board can delegate the signatory to individuals.

2. Members

§2.1 Ordinary Members

Those studying at undergraduate or graduate level where the Social Sciences Student Union through student union status or contracts is responsible for the educational monitoring, have the right to become ordinary members.

§2.2 Membership

The membership is paid for one semester at a time. To become a member, membership in Studentlund is required. The time for the membership is regulated as the time for the Studentlund membership.

§2.3 Refund of Membership Fee

A member does not have the right to get a refund on their membership fee.

§2.4 Support Membership

Those who wish to support the work of the Social Sciences Student Union have the right to become support members. Support members have the same rights as ordinary member unless otherwise is stated in the statutes. The support membership is given after payment of a sum set by the Representative Assembly and lasts the entire fiscal year. To become a support member, membership in Studentlunds is required.

§2.5 The Rights of the Members

Ordinary members have the exclusive right to

- Vote in the election of the Social Sciences Student Union's Representative Assembly,
- Candidate in the election to the Social Sciences Student Union's Representative Assembly,
- Motion to the Representative Assembly's meetings, and
- Be present at the meetings of the Representative Assembly, provided the Representative Assembly have not decided that the negotiations should take place behind closed doors

§2.6 Excluding a Member

Members who consciously or through their actions work against the Social Sciences Student Union and its purpose as well as statutes may be excluded from the Social Sciences Student Union.

3. Order of negotiation

§3.1 Application

The regulations in this chapter should be followed by all of the Social Sciences Student Union's bodies, unless otherwise is stated.

§3.2 Voting

At meetings, all present members of any given body have one vote. Power of attorney may not be used. Protocol of votes should be used if a member of the body move for it.

§3.3 The Handling of Errands

Decision points that have not been notified in the agenda within the given time frames may not be raised unless there is consensus for it.

§3.4 Definition of Majority

A majority vote means more than half of the casted votes. A qualified majority vote means three-fourths of the casted

votes. Blank votes counts as casted votes. Unless otherwise stated, decisions are made with a majority vote.

§3.5 Elections

§3.5.1 Eligible Candidates

Unless otherwise decided, people who have been nominated by the nomination council or submitted a counter candidacy no later than six business days before the meeting are eligible for election.

§3.5.2 Election Procedure

First, the proposal from the Nominating Council shall be held against rejection in an open vote. If the proposal is rejected, the meeting shall sift out a new proposal through the Borda voting method. The members rank as many candidates as there are available positions on a ballot. The ranking is then converted into points and the candidates with the most points become the new suggestion. In case of a tie for the last available position, a new round of Borda is held between the candidates with the same number of points. After this process, an open vote is held where each candidate must gain a majority to become elected. If a candidate does not receive a majority support, the position is left vacant.

§3.5.3 Ballot

A ballot is only used when a proposal is sifted out through the Borda method. In case the ballot contains more names than the number of available positions or if the ballot cannot be interpreted, the ballot is declared invalid. It is allowed to rank less names than the number of available positions as long as the states names are ranked from the top. Otherwise, the ballot is declared invalid.

§3.6 Bias

A person who is about to vote is considered bias if the matter concerns themselves or their partner, children, sibling or someone else to whom they have an intimate or related relation, or if the matter can be expected to result in clear benefit or damage to themselves or someone with whom they have an intimate or related relation. Each member of a body who is eligible to vote is responsible for the announcement of bias and must abstain from voting in case of being bias.

§3.7 Point of Order

A point of order concerns the form of the meeting and how it is held. Points of order can be brought up anytime and is given priority before the currently handled matter.

§3.8 Ajourn

A question of ajourning a meeting is brought up in the form of a point of order. No longer than five business days after the decision of ajourning the meeting, the chairperson of

the meeting must decide when to resume the meeting. In case of disorder, the chairperson has the right to adjourn the meeting without bringing it up for decision.

§3.9 Protocol

Meetings held within the bodies mentioned in §1.2 *Organisation* must be documented with a decision protocol, which shall be published after certifying.

§3.10 Reservation

A member of a given body, who do not agree with the decision, have the right to make a reservation. The member is then freed of responsibility for this decision. Reservations should be handed in to the secretary of the meeting before the signing of the protocol is done.

§3.11 Note to the Protocol

A member of a given body have the right to leave a note to the protocol.

§3.12 Meeting Behind Closed Doors

In case of the handling of a personal matter, the meeting can discuss in privacy behind closed doors. This decision must be made with a qualified majority. A personal matter does not refer to an election. No decisions can be made behind closed doors.

§3.13 Delegation

The authority to make decisions and other capacities can be delegated to another body or individual.

4. Representative Assembly

§4.1 Description and Composition

The Representative Assembly is the highest decision-making body of the Social Sciences Student Union. The Representative Assembly consists of 31 ordinary members and 11 alternate members.

§4.2 Election to the Representative Assembly

§4.2.1 Election Officials

The Election Committee are responsible for the execution of the election to the Representative Assembly.

§4.2.2 The Right to Vote

Ordinary members of the Social Sciences Student Union as they are stated in §2.2 *Membership* has the exclusive right to vote in the election. This holds given that the membership fee has been received by the union no later than the business day before the day that the election starts.

§4.2.3 Election Procedure

In the election to the Representative Assembly, only individuals can be elected. The members of the Social

Sciences Student Union make up one (1) constituency. The election of members of the Representative Assembly is made with closed ballots. The ballot can contain a maximum of five candidates. A ballot with more names or where one name is stated more than once is declared invalid. A name that cannot clearly be interpreted is considered invalid and will be taken off of the ballot. The 31 candidates with the most votes obtains an ordinary position in the Representative Assembly. In case of a tie, the lot decides. Out of the candidates who did not obtain an ordinary position, the 11 candidates with the most votes obtain an alternate position. These become ordinary members of the Representative Assembly when ordinary members resign from their positions, starting with the alternate members with the most votes. Alternate members of the Representative Assembly serves as ordinary members when the ordinary members cannot serve at a meeting, again starting with the alternate member with the most votes.

§4.2.4 Eligibility for Election

Those who are ordinary members according to §2.2 *Membership* are eligible for election.

§4.2.5 Ordinary Election

Ordinary election to the Representative Assembly shall be held in April and October. The exact dates must be established by the Representative Assembly on the last meeting during the previous semester. The election shall be announced by the President of the Social Sciences Student Union no later than four weeks before the election. The announcement shall be officially posted in an appropriate place. The election shall be conducted during at least three business days following each other.

§4.2.6 Establishing the Election Result

The result of the election shall be signed by the Election Committee no later than the business day following the last day of the election. The election result shall then be established by the Board no later than ten business days after the last day of the election.

§4.2.7 Snap Election

A snap election shall be held if the Representative Assembly is dissolved or if the Board choose to not establish the result according to §4.2.6 Establishing the election result. The grounds for not establishing the result shall be extensive impropriety in the election procedure. Snap election cannot be held for any other reason. A snap election shall be held no earlier than 15 business days and no later than 25 business days after the dissolution of the Representative

Assembly or the rejecting of the election result by the Board.

§4.2.8 By-Election

When the Representative Assembly consists of fewer members of the assembly than listed in §4.1 *Description and composition*, the board may decide to announce a by-election for the remaining positions. The election holds for the remaining time of the term. The by-election shall be held no earlier than 15 and no later than 25 business days after the board have decided to announce a by-election.

§4.2.9 Candidacy

The possibility to candidate and instructions for how to do it shall be announced at an appropriate place no later than 21 business days before the first day of the election. A candidate must notify the Election Committee about their candidacy no later than eleven business days before the first day of the election. All candidates must be officially announced by the Election Committee no later than five business days before the first day of the election.

§4.3 Members of the Representative Assembly

§4.3.1 Obligations of the Members of the Representative Assembly

Members of the Representative Assembly are obligated to be members of the Social Sciences Student Union according to §2.2. *Membership* during the entire term they serve. If a member of the Representative Assembly do not follow this obligation they cannot serve.

§4.3.2 Resignation

Members of the Representative Assembly resign by writing to the presiding committee of the Social Sciences Student Union. When a member resigns, an alternate member steps in as an ordinary member according to §4.2.3 *Election procedure*.

§4.3.3 Relief of Duty

A presidial, coordinator or board member of the Social Sciences Student Union cannot serve as a member in the Representative Assembly. As a member of the Representative Assembly gets elected to such position, they automatically get relieved from the position as a member in the Representative Assembly.

§4.4 The Obligations of the Representative Assembly

The Representative Assembly is obligated to:

- unless otherwise decided, hold elections for all positions of trust within the Social Sciences Student Union
- decide upon nominations to positions elected in organisations where the Social Sciences Student Union is a member,
- decide upon the entering and termination of contracts between the Social Sciences Student Union and other student unions regarding student representation or standard student union membership,
- make decisions regarding the membership fee,
- decide upon the action plan and budget of the Social Sciences Student Union,
- decide upon the granting of discharge for the Board,
- decide upon instructions for the organization and its electees in the by-laws,
- decide upon the Social Sciences Student Union's membership in other organisations,
- establish the opinions of the Social Sciences Student Union in the opinion program

§4.5 Formalities

§4.5.1 Call for Meetings

The responsible presidial make a call for the meeting no later than four weeks before the meeting. The call for the meeting is sent to the members of the Representative Assembly and the constantly co-opted and is posted for the members of the Social Sciences Student Union at an appropriate place.

§4.5.2 Agenda and Documents

Agenda and documents are sent by the responsible presidial to members of the Representative Assembly and the constantly co-opted, as well as posted for the members of the Social Sciences Student Union at an appropriate place, no later than ten business days before the meeting. Motions submitted to the Representative Assembly shall be handled in writing by the Board of the Social Sciences Student Union and the response from the Board shall be included in the documents for the meeting.

§4.5.3 Co-opted

The co-opted have the right to be present and to speak. The constantly co-opted are:

- Inspector and pro inspector

The constantly co-opted with the right to move are:

- Presiding Committee and Coordinators of the Social Sciences Student Union
- Meeting Presidium of the Representative Assembly
- Board members of the the Social Sciences Student Union
- President and Chairperson of the Social Sciences Student Union's sections, elected committees and other internal bodies, and,
- Auditors

Ordinary members of the Social Sciences Student Union has the right to co-opt themselves according to §2.5 *The rights of the members*. The Representative Assembly has the right to co-opt whoever they wish.

§4.5.4 *Quorum*

The Representative Assembly has met the quorum with the number of ordinary assembly members and serving alternate assembly members who are present.

§4.5.5 *Meeting Functionaries*

The Representative Assembly's meetings are lead by a Meeting Presidium consisting of at least one Chairperson and at least one Secretary. Two members of the Representative Assembly are elected during the meeting to sign the protocol and count the votes.

§4.5.6 *Time for Meetings*

Ordinary meetings are held once per semester. The Representative Assembly cannot have meeting during the periods 15 June - 31 August and 16 December - 15 January.

§4.6 *Interpellation*

Ordinary member of the Social Sciences Student Union has the right to in writing interpellate the elected of the Social Sciences Student Union. The ordinary member has the right to receive a written response that shall be handled by the Representative Assembly. The interpellation must be submitted no later than 17 business days before the meeting. The written response shall be submitted to the responsible presidial no later than 11 business days before the meeting, and shall be sent out along with the other meeting documents.

§4.7 *Vote of no Confidence*

The elected of the Social Sciences Student Union may be relieved of duty through a vote of no confidence. The vote of no confidence is treated like an ordinary errand. The move for a vote of no confidence shall be submitted to the Presiding Committee of the Social Sciences Student Union no later than 11 business days before the meeting. If distrust is pronounced the elected is relieved of duty immediately.

§4.9 Extraordinary Meeting

§4.9.1 Decision About an Extraordinary Meeting

An extraordinary meeting for the Representative Assembly shall be held if requested by

- at least sixteen members of the Representative Assembly,
- at least one auditor

The request shall be written and submitted to the Presiding Committee of the Social Sciences Student Union, and shall state the errand or errands causing the request.

§4.9.2 Time for Extraordinary Meeting

The meeting shall be held no later than 20 business days after the request have been submitted. The time for the meeting shall be set quickly and be communicated to the members of the Representative Assembly as soon as possible.

§4.9.3 Errands

An extraordinary meeting can only handle the errands that were stated in the written request

§4.9.4

Agenda and meeting documents to an extraordinary meeting shall be available to the members of the Representative Assembly no later than 5 working days before the meeting, as well as posted for the members of the Social Sciences Student Union at an appropriate place

§4.10 Dissolving the Representative Assembly

§4.10.1 Dissolvemement Through Petition

The Representative Assembly shall be dissolved and a new election should be announced if at least 50 percent of the members of the Social Sciences Student Union request it. The request shall be written and include a list of signatures. The initiator have 15 business days to collect the signatures.

§4.10.2 Dissolvemement Through Decision by the Representative Assembly

The Representative Assembly can dissolve itself and announce a new election through a decision with qualified majority.

5. Board

§5.1 Description and Composition

The board is the Social Sciences Student Union's highest executive body and is a preparing body for the Representative Assembly. The board consists of the Social Sciences Student Union's Presiding Committee and 6 additional board members.

§5.2 Obligations

The board of the Social Sciences Student Union is obligated to:

- Sign the firm of the Social Sciences Student Union and be economically responsible,
- supervise and hold the employer responsibility for the elected and full time remunerated as well as employees of the Social Sciences Student Union,
- after the fiscal year submit an annual report no later than the last of August the following fiscal year,
- in urgent matters make decisions in place of the Representative Assembly. These decisions must urgently be ratified by the Representative Assembly.

§5.3 Formalities

§5.3.1 Meetings

The board meet when the board decides so or when the Presiding Committee calls for the meeting. The board must hold at least six meetings per semester.

§5.3.2 Call for Meetings

The responsible presidial call for the meeting no later than 5 business days before the meeting. The call shall be sent to board members and constantly co-opted as well as be posted for the members of the Social Sciences Student Union in an appropriate place.

§5.3.3 Agenda and Documents

Agenda and documents shall be sent by the responsible presidial to the board members and constantly co-opted no longer than 3 business days before the meeting.

§5.3.4 Per Capsulam

In urgent matters the board can make decisions per capsulam. These decisions must then be ratified on the following board meeting.

A per capsulam decision is a decision made outside an ordinary meeting, where the board members do not take part in a meeting. Per capsulam decisions shall only be used when a decision cannot wait until the next meeting. According to practice, a higher degree of agreement is required for a decision per capsulam.

§5.3.5 Co-opted

The adjuncts have the right to be present and to speak. The constantly co-opted are:

- Inspector and pro inspector

The constantly co-opted with the right to move are:

- the full time remunerated of the Social Sciences Student Union
- President and Chairperson of the Social Sciences Student Union's sections and elected committees, and,
- Auditors

The board can decide to co-opt other people.

§5.3.6 Quorum

The board is eligible to make decision when at least five of the board members are present, of which at least one is a presidial and at least three are additional board members.

6. Presiding Committee and Coordinators

§6.1 Presiding Committee

§6.1.1 Composition

The Presiding Committee of the Social Sciences Student Union consists of the President and the two Vice Presidents of the Social Sciences Student Union.

§6.1.2 Obligations

The Presiding Committee is obligated to:

- lead the Social Sciences Student Union's overall operations and be held responsible for this by the board
- in urgent matters make decisions in place of the board.
These decisions must urgently be ratified by the board.

§6.1.3 Presiding Committee Decisions

The Presiding Committee are only eligible to make decisions when all presidials are present. Decisions made by the Presiding Committee through delegation or in urgent matters must be documented and urgently reported to the board.

§6.2 Coordinators

§6.2.1 Description

The coordinators of the Social Sciences Student Union are the Labour Market Coordinator and the Event Coordinator. These are responsible for the ongoing operations within their respective areas.

7. Nominating Council

§7.1 Description and Composition

The Nominating Council of the Social Sciences Student Union prepares, if not else stated by the statutes, the elections to positions of trust. The Nominating Council does not prepare the election to the Nominating Council. The Nominating Council consists of a chairperson and four council members as well as two alternate council members. The Nominating Council appoints amongst themselves a vice chairperson. Board members or coordinators cannot serve in the Nominating Council.

§7.2 Formalities

§7.2.1 Meetings

The Nominating Council meets when the Nominating Council or the chairperson of the Nominating Council decides to do so.

§7.2.2 Call for Meetings

The chairperson of the Nominating Council calls for the meetings no later than seven business days before the meeting.

§7.3.3 Agenda and Documents

Agenda and documents shall be sent by the chairperson of the Nominating Council to the council members no later than two business days before the meeting.

§7.3.4 Co-opted

The Nominating Council can co-opt people to their meetings.

§7.3.5 Quorum

The Nominating Council is eligible to make decision when the chairperson or vice chairperson and at least two additional council members are present.

§7.4 Working Procedure

Unless otherwise decided by the Representative Assembly, the Nominating Council sets a last date for candidacies and nominations to be submitted. After the this date, only the Nominating Council has the right to nominate additional

candidates. All candidacies and nominations received on time shall be official.

8. Election Committee

§8.1 Description and Composition

The Election Committee is responsible for the election to the Representative Assembly. The Election Committee consists of a chairperson, four additional committee members and two alternate committee members. The Election Committee appoints amongst themselves a vice chairperson.

§8.2 Obligations

The Election Committee is obligated to:

- Establish all submitted candidacies according to §4.2.9 *Candidacy*,
- take the responsibility for the execution of the election, and,
- sign the result and urgently hand it over to the Representative Assembly for establishing of the result according to §4.2.6 *Establishing the election result*.

§8.3 Formalities

§8.3.1 Meetings

The Election Committee meets when the Election Committee or the chairperson of the Election Committee decides to do so.

§8.3.2 Call for Meetings

The chairperson of the Election Committee calls for the meetings no later than seven business days before the meeting.

§8.4.3 Agenda and Documents

Agenda and documents shall be sent by the chairperson of the Election Committee to the committee members no later than two business days before the meeting.

§8.4.4 Co-opted

The Election Committee can co-opt people to their meetings.

§8.4.5 Quorum

The Election Committee is eligible to make decision when the chairperson or vice chairperson and at least two additional committee members are present.

9. Sections

§9.1 Description

The Social Sciences Student Union can be divided into sections, fully or partly. A section is a semi-autonomous part of the Social Sciences Student Union that is responsible for the promotion and monitoring of the interests in education and student welfare of the students towards actors working within the area/areas of educations that the section covers. The section shall cover a definable part/parts of the Faculty of Social Sciences at Lund University or other parts of Lund University where the Social Sciences Student Union has the responsibility for the students and the monitoring of the education. Members of the Social Sciences Student Union are automatically members of a section if they study within the area of education that the section covers.

§9.2 Obligations

The sections of the Social Sciences Student Union is obligated to:

- take responsibility for the local monitoring of the education within the area they cover,
- cooperate with other parts of the Social Sciences Student Union when local activities can have implications for the central overall operations,
- take responsibility for their own operations and finances,
- elect people to the section's positions of trust,
- follow what's stated in this chapter,
- nominate candidates to bodies within the areas of Lund University which are covered by the section, who thereafter shall be elected by the Representative Assembly,
- furthermore conduct operations decided by the section meeting as long as this does not go against the Social Sciences Student Union's statutes, by-laws or other decisions, and,
- be held responsible by the Representative Assembly for their overall operations.

§9.3 Social Sciences Student Union's Obligations

Social Sciences Student Union is obligated to:

- help the sections with regards to organisational matters, and,
- ensure the sections' right to influence in the Social Sciences Student Union's central monitoring of educations and student political work.

§9.4 Organisation

The sections consists of:

- Section Meeting,

- Section Board,
- Section Nominating Council,
- Section Study Council,
- President and functionaries, and,
- other bodies the section find suitable to establish.

§9.5 Section Meeting

The section meeting is the highest decision-making body of the section in which all members of the section have the right to vote. The decisions made by the section meeting can only be changed by the Representative Assembly of the Social Sciences Student Union. The section shall hold at least two section meetings during the fiscal year, one during the spring semester and one during the autumn semester.

§9.6 Functionaries

The section shall appoint a president and functionaries responsible for the finances, the writing of protocol and auditing. The section have the right to establish and appoint additional functionaries.

§9.7 Operational Year

Unless otherwise stated in the section's statutes, the section's fiscal year follow the operational year of the Social Sciences Student Union.

§9.8 Statutes

Sections of the Social Sciences Student Union shall have their own statutes. The statutes shall be established by the section meeting and ratified by the Representative Assembly of the Social Sciences Student Union. The section's statutes are subordinate to the Social Sciences Student Union's statutes and the section must try to not have their statutes go against these.

§9.9 Adapted Sections

The sections of the Social Sciences Student Union are:

- The Social Sciences Student Union's Helsingborg Section Agora (henceforward Agora),
- The Social Sciences Student Union's Interdisciplinary Section Pluto (henceforward Pluto)
- The Social Sciences Student Union's Section for Social Workers (henceforward Socionomsektionen)

§9.10 The Jurisdiction of the Sections

§9.10.1 Agora

The areas of responsibility of Agora are:

- Department of Service Management and Service Studies, and,
- Department of Strategic Communication

Members of the Social Sciences Student Union studying at these departments are members of Agora.

§9.10.2 Pluto

The areas of responsibility of Pluto are:

- Department of Human Geography

Members of the Social Sciences Student Union studying at areas are members of Pluto.

§9.10.3 Socionomsektionen

The area of responsibility of Socionomsektionen is:

- School of Social Work at Lund University

Members of the Social Sciences Student Union studying at the School of Social Work are members of Socionomsektionen.

10. Elected Committees

§10.1 Description

The elected committees of the Social Sciences Student Union handle questions within a defined area of the operations of the Social Sciences Student Union. Elected committees may decide upon or prepare matters within their area. Elected committees are directly subordinate to the Representative Assembly and are held responsible for their work by the Representative Assembly.

(Note that all committees within the Social Sciences Student Union are not a elected committees. Elected committees are established and elected to by the Representative Assembly.)

§10.2 Establishment

Elected committees are permanent and are established by the Representative Assembly via the by-laws.

§10.3 Composition

Elected committees consist of a chairperson, a vice chairperson and a set number of committee members, elected by the Representative Assembly according to what is stated in the by-laws.

11. Auditing

§11.1 Description

The Social Sciences Student Union have three auditors and three alternate auditors. One auditor shall be an chartered accountant and shall be responsible for the auditing of the finances. Two auditors are political auditors and do not

need to be authorised auditors. An auditor may not at the same time hold another position of trust within the Social Sciences Student Union.

§11.2 Chartered Accountant

Ordinary auditor and their alternate shall be appointed by the Representative Assembly. The Ordinary auditor and their alternate shall be chartered accountants. The auditor is responsible for the execution of an economic auditing of the Social Sciences Student Union's finances and administration.

§11.3 Political Auditor

Two ordinary auditors and two alternate auditors shall be appointed by the Representative Assembly. The auditors shall on the behalf of the Representative Assembly review the overall operations in relation to the steering documents of the Social Sciences Student Union and the decision made by the Representative Assembly during the term.

§11.4 Audit Report

An audit report for the term shall be submitted to the representative no later than 15 December. The report shall contain an opinion regarding the granting of discharge for the board of the Social Sciences Student Union.

12. Inspector and Pro Inspector

§12.1 Description

The inspector and pro inspector is tasked with paying attention to and supporting the union's operations and related context. The Social Sciences Student Union has one inspector and three pro inspectors.

§12.2 Election

The inspector and pro inspectors are elected by the Representative Assembly for a period of two years. The positions do not have to be announced and the election is prepared by the Board of the Social Sciences Student Union. If an inspector or pro inspector passes away their position can be filled via by-election.

13. Status, Interpretation and Change of the Statutes

§13.1 Status

The statutes are the Social Sciences Student Union's dominating and most prominent steering document. After the statutes, the following steering documents apply in the following order:

- Reglemente
- Åsiktsprogram
- Ekonomiska policyer

§13.2 Interpretation

The right to interpret the statutes is given as follows:

- Representative Assembly
- President of the Social Sciences Student Union

§13.3 Changes

The statutes can only be changed with two identical decisions made by the Representative Assembly with an election held in between, or with two identical decisions made by the Representative Assembly with a qualified majority with at least one calendar month in between. Exceptions from this rule can be made only if the changes are editorial.

14. Dissolvement

§14.1 Dissolvement

Dissolving the Social Sciences Student Union requires two identical decisions made by the Representative Assembly with qualified majority with an election held in between. When these decisions are made, all members of the Representative Assembly must be present. Decisions must also be made on the distribution of the Social Sciences Student Union's assets and liabilities. No later than two months after the dissolvement a grandiose party must be held for the current and previous members of the Social Sciences Student Union. The dissolvers are obligated to arrange this party.