

CUD Student Council

Canadian University Dubai's [Student Councils](#) are volunteer-based, non-profit, non-incorporated associations aligned with the University's mission. The Student Council's mission includes acting as a liaison between students and administration, promoting student welfare, and encouraging student life and cultural events. The details, summarised below, can be found in the [CUD Policy and Procedure Manual](#) and the [Student Handbook](#).

CUD's Student Council is regulated by UAE's MoHESR guidelines, and interacts regularly with the Student Councils of other UAE universities through activities and gatherings.

Membership & Structure: All full-time students in good academic standing (CGPA 3.0+ for President/VP, 2.5+ for others) who have completed at least two semesters are eligible. The council includes executive positions (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Media Officer, Public Relations Officer) elected annually, alongside general members. Members serve a one-year term, renewable once.

Elections: Elections are held each Spring semester. Candidates must meet eligibility criteria, register, submit required documents (resume, photo, supporter list for President/VP), and pass interviews. Campaigning involves speeches and approved materials, adhering to a strict code of conduct prohibiting misleading statements or attacks. Voting is open to all current full-time and part-time students.

Responsibilities: Executive members have specific duties: the President acts as spokesperson and leads meetings; the VP assists the President; the Treasurer manages finances; the Secretary handles minutes and correspondence; the Media Officer creates marketing materials; and the PR Officer liaises with communications and seeks sponsorships. Volunteer members support and promote activities.

Oversight & Accountability: The University Senate supervises the council, with the Dean of Student Affairs providing guidance. Members must attend meetings, fulfill duties, and maintain the required CGPA. Failure can lead to removal from office. Resignations require written notice. Student Services maintains records of council activities. Active executive members may be eligible for tuition discounts.

Student Representation through the Student Council

The elected Student Council representatives are included in several key university committees, ensuring student perspectives are considered in decision-making:

- **University Senate:** One Student Council Representative is a member. The Senate reviews and recommends major academic and policy matters to the Board of Trustees.
- **Academic Council:** One representative from the Student Council is a member. The Academic Council advises on academic programs, policies, teaching, learning, and research.
- **Student Disciplinary Committee:** One representative from the Student Council is included. This committee reviews student misconduct cases.
- **Learning Resource Centre Committee:** Includes a representative from the Student Council.