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Dear Members of the Penn State Community,

Applications are currently being accepted for six, at-large seats of the Selection Group on Board Membership for the Student Trustee (Student Trustee Selection Committee). These six, at-large members will join the Core Committee (identified below) to recommend a preferred candidate for membership on the Board of Trustees.

Information regarding the Penn State Board of Trustees, including its Charter, Bylaws and Standing Orders, can be found at [www.psu.edu/trustees](http://www.psu.edu/trustees). Specific information regarding the procedures for election of the Student Trustee can be found in Order IV of the Standing Orders.

The Student Trustee Selection Committee application is included on the following pages. The deadline for all electronic submissions of the application is February 3, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. First-class mail submissions must be received by the Board of Trustees Office no later than February 3, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.; please use the following address:

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**No exceptions will be made.**

Questions from interested candidates may be directed to the Selection Group by emailing Janiyah Davis at [TrusteeDavis@psu.edu](mailto:TrusteeDavis@psu.edu).

No media requests will be entertained and the identities of all candidates are confidential.

The Student Trustee Selection Committee Core Team:

Janiyah Davis – Trustee  
Kara Wright – CCSG President  
Sydney Gibbard – UPUA President  
Daniel Serfass – WCSG President  
Jada Quinland – GPSA President

Student Trustee Selection Committee Application  
The Pennsylvania State University Board of Trustees  
(Please type or legibly print all responses)

Full Name	PSU ID #	Today's Date
Local Address	Permanent Address	Email Address
Phone Number	GPA	Campus
College	Major(s)	Minor(s)
Semester Standing	Anticipated Graduation Date	

Instructions:

1. Complete the biographical information listed above.\*
2. Answers to the essay questions on the following page should be typed and included as an attachment. Your answer to each of the questions should be no more than 250 words.
3. Completed biographical information and essay questions for Student Trustee must meet the following deadline: Applications sent via first-class mail must be received by 5:00 p.m. on February 3, 2023; please use the following address:

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*\*Submission of this application authorizes the University to seek additional information, such as transcripts and student conduct reports, to verify the candidate's standing.*

Thank you for your interest in applying.

## Short Answer Essay Questions

-- Please do not exceed 250 words for each response--

1. Why are you interested in being on the Student Trustee Selection Committee?
2. Describe your major activities at Penn State and/or any higher education institutions you have attended previously (organizations, research, community service, etc.).
3. Please explain your understanding of the Board of Trustees' role in the University's operations.
4. Describe the role of the Student Trustee as you see it.
5. What do you believe the committee should prioritize while searching for Penn State's next Student Trustee?
6. What do you believe the term "shared governance" means and what is the role of the Board of Trustees within that structure at Penn State?
7. What unique background knowledge, experiences, and values would you bring to the role of the selection committee?