

Job Specification – SFS

The Nomination Committee's suggested profile for members of the SFS Board of Directors

This profile contains information about which personal traits, relevant experience, and other attributes that the SFS Nominations Committee feels are appropriate for a person applying to be a Member of the SFS Board of Directors.

Relevant Experience

To become a member of the SFS Board of Directors, we on the Nominations Committee believe that the person will have either started or finished their post-secondary education. It is important that one has significant experience working within similar organizations such as a student union or other student organizations. One should also have experience sitting on a board of directors or another similar decision making body.

Knowledge and Skills

Those who want to sit as a member of the SFS Board of Directors should be actively interested in political issues that concern students. They should have knowledge and understanding about which political issues are the most central for activists in student politics. As a member of the SFS Board of Directors it is advantageous that you are willing to gain an understanding of how situations can differ between our educational institutions. It is also important to be able to look at the needs of individual students in relation to national student policy. Previous experience working within a student union will help you in completing the job.

To be successful at this position, a member of the SFS Board of Directors needs to understand enough of the Swedish language to be able to retain information from and follow along with discussions that are fully in Swedish.

Personal Traits

Those who wish to apply for this position should be willing to take initiative, think strategically, and be a skilled communicator. Even traits such as tolerance, articulacy and a good understanding of and respect for one's own and others perspectives and boundaries are important for a member of the board. Applicants should be ready to apply themselves to the job, and be able to work both individually as well as in a group. Central to the position is an interest in national student politics. The Nominations Committee recommends that applicants recognize the importance of working transparently, and understand that all decisions must be in accordance with the guidelines of the organization.

Scope of the Position

This position is a position of leadership within the organization, and requires members to attend approximately 13 meetings through the fiscal year. Three of the meetings are digital, while the rest are held over weekends. Members of the SFS Board of Directors are expected to be able to take themselves to the physical meetings throughout the entire fiscal year. In addition to the above mentioned meetings, Members of the SFS Board of Directors are expected to attend SFS congress, SFSFUM, as well as a physical handoff meeting in which will be held in Stockholm during the weekend of the 12-14th of June 2020. The fiscal year lasts for 12 months, starting in July.

Merited Traits

In addition to the traits and experiences written above it is, merited if the nominee:

- Has previous experience working within SFS.
- Has previously worked within a Student Union or with their educational institution.
- Has experience of working with national student representation.
- Has experience of student representation in an international context.
- Can express themselves well in written texts and speech in English.
- Has experience working with strategic financial or organizational governance.