



DAGS
Dalhousie Association
of Graduate Students

2020 Election Nomination Form

DEADLINE – April 3rd 2020 – 5:00pm

Electronic submissions accepted. Send to cro@dags.ca

Instructions:

Please fill out the following questionnaire and email in digital copy to cro@dags.ca by April 3rd 2020 at 5:00pm. DAGS will be posting your answers for students to get an idea of your campaign platform.

Please either direct or forward a minimum of two graduate student [DAGS members] emails to support your nomination (@dal.ca email required). These must have the senders' name, B00#, and articulate their support.

An email attestation can only count as a signature from the student's Dalhousie email address.

Important Dates:

- Nomination forms due to DAGS Office or emailed to president@dags.ca – April 3rd 2020 at 5:00pm
- Campaigning – April 6th 2020 – April 10th 2020
- Voting – April 13th 2020 – April 17th 2020 at 9:00pm
- Results – April 18th 2020 at 9:00am

Questions or Concerns?

Contact the DAGS President – president@dags.ca

Name: Seyed Alireza Siadat

Program: Ph.D. in Civil Engineering

Year of Study: 1st year

QUESTIONS:

Please introduce yourself (100 words): I am member of the Board of Governors at Dalhousie University, specifically at the Capital Projects and Facilities Committee. I am a studying PhD at the Department of Civil and Resource Engineering at Dalhousie University under the supervision of Dr. Yi Liu, as well as teaching fundamental engineering courses. During my B.Sc. degree I was awarded honorary admission to graduate school at the Sharif University of Technology. I also head of the civil engineering department at ACECR's branch in Qazvin, Iran, and founded the alumni association of the National Organization for Development of Exceptional Talents in Qazvin, a semi-governmental educational organization that has junior and senior high schools in all cities of Iran.

Please identify your top five (5) platform points:

- Push for more activities to enhance sustainability and resilience across all campuses
- Push for more accessible and affordable housing, and expand food security
- Enhance condition of international students tuition and differential fee
- Increase TA/Marker hourly rates
- Obtain more funds, such as travel grants, and emergency bursary

What are your qualifications and/or experience that relates to the position you're running for?

I am running for "President" position.

- Current member of board of governors at Dalhousie University (student representative at Capital Projects and Facilities Committee).
- Founder of the alumni association of National Organization for Development of Exceptional Talents.
- Civil engineering department manager at ACECR.
- I am a Ph.D. student, a good team mate, a fast learner, a good communicator and negotiator, a good leader

Why do you think you are a good candidate?

I have a robust background and a good experience in running educational and academic organizations and I have the ability to keep a team together to work hard in order to reach its goals. Moreover, my top priorities are hardworking and being responsible.

What are the top three (3) things you'd like to accomplish during a term at the DAGS?

- 1- Accomplish my team's platform points.
- 2- Help graduate students voice to be heard more.
- 3- I want to feel that I have made my environment and my university a better place.

What issues matter most to you?

- 1- Ethics and kindness in both interpersonal and group interactions.
- 2- Being on time and accomplishing the deadlines.
- 3- Discipline and coordination

Please List any Campaign Links (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Website):

I have not created any specific page for my campaign but my current pages are as follows.

<https://www.facebook.com/AlirezaSiadat/>

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/alireza-siadat-39678471>

CONSTITUENT SUPPORT: TWO (2) EMAILS REQUIRED)

In light of COVID-19, the requirement for ten constituent signatures will be waived for this election. Nominees will instead require a minimum of two emails from Dalhousie graduate students who are DAGS members to support their prospect of governance. Emails should include the name and B# of graduate student emailing, and be sent from Dal email address [within the domain of @dal.ca]

Thank you for your application

