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# Geoduck Student Union

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## Geoduck Student Union

### The Geoduck Union Constitution

#### Article I: Name

The name is the Geoduck Union.

#### Article II: Scope

The Geoduck Union is the official representation of the student body of The Evergreen State College.

#### Article III. Membership

All registered students at The Evergreen State College are members of the Geoduck Union.

#### Article IV. Representation

The student body will elect 21 student representatives, called Geoduck Union Representatives.

#### Article V. Elections

Representatives are elected by a student election held each Spring Quarter. Every student may vote for 21 candidates. The 21 candidates receiving the most votes will be the Geoduck Union Representatives. One representative seat is reserved for a student from the Tacoma Campus and one seat is reserved for a student from the Reservation-Based Campuses.

#### Article VI: Procedures for Removal

Representatives may be removed by consensus minus one of the Geoduck Union Representatives.

#### Article VII: Meetings and Quorum

Geoduck Union Representatives meet weekly at a publicly-announced time and place, and these meetings are open to the public. To conduct business, Geoduck Union Representatives must reach quorum, which is fifty percent plus one of the current representatives. The Geoduck Union Representatives will choose one Representative to facilitate the meeting(s).

#### Article VIII: Decision-Making

Geoduck Union Representatives make decisions by consensus. If Geoduck Union Representatives fail to reach consensus, they may

suspend consensus by a two-thirds majority vote. While consensus is suspended, Geoduck Union Representatives may make decisions by two-thirds majority vote.

#### **Article IX: Amendments**

Amendments to this constitution may be proposed by Geoduck Union Representatives, or by students who present a petition signed by 10% of the student body. Proposed amendments come before the student body for a vote. To pass, amendments must be approved by two-thirds of those voting, with a minimum of 10% of students voting.

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