



Procedure for Selecting Congress Delegates – agreed March 2009

Comments: Below is the agreed procedure for the selection of delegates to USI National Congress 2009.

1. The position of delegate shall be open to all students who will express their interest in writing to the President of the Union
2. The sitting President, Vice-Presidents and Convenors shall automatically be offered a place on the delegation to USI National Congress
3. The incoming President and Vice-Presidents shall automatically be offered a place on the delegation to USI National Congress
4. Delegates shall be selected via a grading system based on a number of categories and taking into account any elected position held by the student, such as class rep, governing councilor, etc
5. The Sabbatical officers shall grade the student based on the scoring scale for each of three 'scored categories'. The average of the sabbatical scores for the 'scored categories' will become the students' score for that category
6. The scored categories shall be:
 - a. Public Speaking Experience (Scoring Scale: 0 – 10)
 - i. Any relevant experience, internal or external to DIT & DITSU
 - b. Involvement in the Union (Scoring Scale: 0 – 10)
 - i. Other than elected position involvement (e.g. campaign volunteer, etc)
 - c. Previous Congress Experience (Scoring Scale: 0 – 5)
 - i. Attendance, performance and conduct at previous Congress
7. There shall also be four 'automatic score' categories which shall grant a set score to the student should they fulfill the category criteria
8. The automatic score categories shall be:
 - a. Current Class Rep (Score: 1)
 - b. Current Sub-Committee Member/PTO (Score: 1)
 - i. Member of any of the sub-committees of Governing Council or a current Part-Time Officer
 - c. Current Governing Councilor (Score: 2)
 - d. Winner of Congress Award (Score: 5)
 - i. Applicant has previously won a speaking award at USI National Congress
9. Once the scoring has been applied each applicants will be ranked by their total score and the students who have achieved the highest scores will be offered places on the DITSU National Congress Delegation