

Policy #4

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PURPOSE

This policy outlines the types of membership which individuals may hold in WPIRG. It also defines fee requirements, membership limitations, and membership privileges, as provided for in By-Law #1.

Membership rights are not addressed in this policy. The "corporate" rights held by members in WPIRG are specified in By-Law #1. In addition, all members of WPIRG have the right to participate in any and all WPIRG related activities and events without fear of any form of discrimination or harassment as outlined in the Harassment Policy.

INDIVIDUAL CAMPUS MEMBERSHIP

Individual Campus Membership in WPIRG shall be open to every member of the University of Waterloo community that is a,

- (a) current undergraduate student;
- (b) current graduate student;
- (c) current staff member;
- (d) current faculty member; or
- (e) alumnus of a graduating class not more than three years prior the commencement of their membership.

Individual Campus Members are those eligible individuals who have paid membership fees for the current term, who demonstrate agreement with the organization's mandate, and who do not have interests conflicting with the interests of the organization. Applications for Individual Campus Membership shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

The Individual Campus Membership fee shall be \$5.00 per Fall, Winter, and Spring term at the University of Waterloo, effective May 1, 2017 during the Spring 2017 term.

Membership fees are periodically revised by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership. Membership applications shall be accepted and fees payable in a timely manner set by the board.

STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

Automatic student membership shall expire upon the removal of the automatic quest fee in Spring 2017, as voted on by undergraduate members of the Federation of Students in the September 2016 WPIRG Referendum, a vote subject to the approval of the University of Waterloo Board of Governors in Winter 2017.

All existing student memberships shall be terminated without renewal upon the close of the Winter term on April 30, 2017. Effective May 1, 2017, all students and former members are encouraged to apply for the new membership category of Individual Campus Membership.

COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP

Applications for community membership shall be closed effective November 30, 2016. All existing community memberships shall be terminated without renewal effective the date of expiry on the current membership card, the latest having been issued with an expiry of August 31, 2017. All community members are encouraged to apply for Individual Campus Membership effective May 1, 2017.