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1:1 Nations

Uplands nation is a student organisation at Uppsala University, as described in the Higher Education Act. The nation shall be politically and religiously independent. The nation's activities shall be equal.

1:2 Purpose

The purpose of the nation is to promote the well-being of its members, to encourage their studies and to strengthen their tie to their home village or town.

1:3 Coat of arms and colours

The nation's coat of arms is a golden apple in a red field and may be crowned with a ducal crown. The nation's ribbon is divided into red, yellow and red in the proportions 2:1:2 and is mainly worn for ceremonial dress. The nation's ribbon is available in three sizes:

- a 3 cm wide for all compatriots
- a 4.7 cm board for seniors
- one 9 cm wide for honorary members.

1:4 Journal

The nation's journal is the Uplands Nations Blad.

1:5 Enrollment

Every student at Uppsala University or another university or college in Uppsala has the right to be enrolled in the nation after applying to the first curator.

1:6 Member

Members of the nation are referred to as landsmän in Swedish. In English, they will be referred to as members. These are inspectors, honorarymembers, seniors, juniors and recentiors.

During the first term of membership, the compatriot is called a recentior. After the recentior term, the compatriot automatically becomes a junior. Junior can be elected senior.

1:7 Rights of members

Members are entitled to:

- participate in decisions concerning the nation's affairs at the landskap;
- participate in the nation's activities;
- use the nation's premises and equipment intended for common use as long as such use is not detrimental to the nation;
- use the nation library in accordance with the regulations in force;
- make proposals in the affairs of the nation;
- stand as a candidate in the landskap;
- apply for the nation's scholarships in accordance with the scholarship statutes;
- apply for accommodation in the Uplands Nation student housing Flygeln and the student housing foundation Bortom Bullret in accordance with the applicable regulations;
- have access to all documents drawn up, stored within, or received by the nation, and obtain written certificates of all that can be obtained from these documents. The right to access the nation's documents may be restricted by the first curator only if it is necessary to protect the personal or financial circumstances of an individual;
- submit proposals for a senior in accordance with chapter 4
- submit proposals for an honorary member in accordance with Chapter 5.
- be given a place in the nation's grave.

The rights of the member are enjoyed on condition that the member has fulfilled their obligations.

1:8 Obligations of the member

A member is obliged to pay a fee to the nation every term.

The fee shall be paid in an amount determined by the last landskap of the autumn term for the following financial year, although the fee may not exceed 1% of the price base amount in accordance with the Social Insurance Code applicable at the time of the decision. If there are exceptional reasons for doing so, another landskap may set a new fee within the aforementioned limitations. In exceptional circumstances, the board may, on application, reduce or exempt a member entirely from fees.

Members must comply with the nation's statutes, regulations, and other rules.

The member must notify the nation of any change of address or other registration details.

1:9 Restriction of rights

A member who gives cause for serious criticism of his behaviour may have his rights restricted for a certain period by the first curator. Such restriction may be reviewed by the landskap.

1:10 Withdrawal

A member who wishes to leave the nation must notify the first or second curator.

If a member does not pay the nation fee, they shall be deemed resigned from the nation. For seniors see special regulations.

Paid nation fees are not refundable.

A member can obtain a debt relief certificate when all financial dealings with the nation have been settled.

1:11 Power of decision

The right to decide on the affairs of the nation belongs to the landskap, unless these statutes provide otherwise.

1:12 Signature of the company

The nation's company signature can be done by the board, or by the person/s appointed by the board.

1:13 Activity and financial year

In these statutes, the operational and financial year means the calendar year.

1:14 Nation's regulations

The nation's regulations consist of statutes, regulations and job descriptions. Regulations take precedence over job descriptions and statutes take precedence over regulations.

1:15 Amendment of the nation's regulations

Changing the nation's *statutes* requires a decision by two consecutive legislatures. Changing the nation's *regulations* requires a decision by a legislative assembly. Changing the nation's *job descriptions requires a decision by* a regional council. Regional decisions are prepared by the Board.

1:16 Conflict of interest

The office holder, board member or other executive who handles or decides on a matter has a conflict of interest if the matter concerns them personally, or if there is otherwise some special circumstance that can be considered to affect confidence in their impartiality in the matter. Conflict of interest is waived when the question of impartiality is clearly irrelevant. A person who finds themself with a conflict of interest may not deal with or decide on the matter. They may, however, take measures that no one else can take without undue delay. This shall be communicated as soon as possible to the first curator, who shall inform the board at the next meeting. The board is authorised to take action in the matter if necessary. Anyone who is aware of a circumstance that may constitute a conflict of interest must come forward voluntarily.