



2022 Student Programs Eligibility & Code of Conduct

ACUI was founded in 1914. ACUI is a nonprofit educational organization that brings together college union and student activities professionals from more than 500 colleges and universities in eight regions and seven countries. ACUI reaches future leaders in the profession and in society through programs designed to appeal to a wide variety of student interests. If you are looking for leadership development, peer-to-peer networking, or a chance to compete in recreation and leisure activities, these programs might be exactly what you need. Recognizing that the primary purpose of student life on campus is academic achievement, to further underscore the importance of continuing academic progress, students participating in ACUI student programs must be enrolled as a student in good standing at the institution they represent. To that end, ACUI hereby establishes the below expectations for students participating in its programs.

Eligibility Requirements

- All participants must meet eligibility criteria established by their school.
- All participants are limited to six years of eligibility. Students enrolled at two-year institutions are limited to three years of eligibility; if they transfer to a four-year school, six years total.
- All undergraduate and graduate student participants must be in good academic standing with their institution in the academic term in which they qualified for the program.
- All participants must be enrolled as of the academic term in which they qualified for the program for at least nine credit hours (six credits for graduate students) and must complete six credit hours between all program appearances. Seniors who will be graduating at the end of the academic term, may be considered full-time if they are taking all hours needed to complete their degree.
- All undergraduate and graduate student participants must be enrolled as a student in *good conduct standing* at the institution they represent, as determined by the institution in which they are currently enrolled. All competing participants must be enrolled with their institution during the time of the competition.
- For participation in *international level competitions*, certification of eligibility must be made by an advisor or authorized staff member of the school. All participants are required to provide registrar's seal and signature.

Code of Conduct Expectations

- Students are expected to review all advanced mailings and material received regarding the program. Information should also be shared with their campus advisor.
- Access to mobile devices and electronic music devices is subject to the event coordinator's discretion during the competition or program sessions; during the 2022 College Unions Poetry Slam Invitational, it is expected that all participants and audience members will turn off these devices during preliminary bouts, semi-finals, finals, awards ceremony, special performances, and workshops.
- The use of drugs or drinking alcohol is not allowed during programs. This applies to all participants regardless of their ability to legally use these substances unless prescribed by a medical professional.
- Come prepared with a positive attitude, a willingness to take risks, and a desire to have fun.
- Respect and uphold ACUI policies and philosophies of advancing campus community builders through unconditional human worth, joy, learning, caring community, innovation, communication and integrity.
- Participants agree to abide by any additional regulations laid-out by the host institution.
- Students are expected to follow the rules of all establishments and the hotel; students are responsible for themselves and will be liable for any behavioral issues.
- **Community Code of Conduct:** Negative posts, belittling accomplishments, bullying, posting of denigrating comments, or impersonating others in public or social media that create a hostile environment within our otherwise inclusive community are a violation of the ACUI code of conduct in place for all ACUI student programs which explicitly states that as a participant it is an obligation to abide by the code of conduct guidelines and violation of them may jeopardize my status as a participant in this program.
- **Students are expected to adhere to the College Unions Poetry Slam Invitational Honor Code listed here:**

College Unions Poetry Slam Invitational Honor Code

As a participant in the College Union Poetry Slam Invitational (CUPSI), I agree:

- To revel in an environment in which freedom of speech, self-determination, and pursuit of creative excellence are inalienable rights.

- To participate in all ACUI events in a way that encourages, illuminates, and supports established standards of integrity.
- To refuse to allow the competitive challenge of the game to lead me to violence, interference, or direct threats.
- To allow all participants to pursue their craft peacefully and without censure, regardless of present team associations or personal history.
- To comply with local, state and federal laws pertaining to individual civil rights and physical or sexual harassment.
- To abide by competition rules as defined by ACUI, knowing that the consequences for breaking the rules exist and are upheld. Penalties will be determined by the severity of the infraction, and the ruling of the ACUI CUPSI program manager and planning team.
- To be a fair poet – one who in competition is fair and generous, one who in any connection has recourse to nothing illegitimate; a poet who in defeat demonstrates grace and in victory magnanimity.

ACUI Filming and Photography Acknowledgement

2022 College Unions Poetry Slam Invitational, April, 2022, Virginia Commonwealth University

I (the undersigned) do hereby affirm my consent with respect to the above noted video program. I hereby irrevocably grant to the Association of College Unions International (ACUI), its successors, assigns, agents and licensees the perpetual right (but not obligation) to use, as it may desire, all video productions, still photographs and sound recordings which it may make of me and the right to use my name or likeness in or in connection with the exhibition or any other use of such video, photograph or recording.

ACUI shall own all right, title, and interest in and to the video, photograph, and/or recordings, to be used and disposed of without limitation as ACUI shall in its sole discretion determine.

I understand that there will be no financial or other remuneration for use of my recordings, either for initial or subsequent transmission or playback.

On my own behalf, and on behalf of my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, I do hereby release ACUI, its successors, assigns, agents and licensees, from any and all claims, liabilities and damages arising out of the rights granted hereunder, or the exercise thereof.

I am over 18 years of age. I understand and agree to all terms stated above.

I understand the obligations associated with participating in 2022 College Unions Poetry Slam Invitational. I further understand that my inability to fulfill these expectations may jeopardize my status as a participant in this program. I understand that failure to abide by the code of conduct could result in event disqualification and legal action.

Printed Student Name Institution

Student Participant Signature Date

Printer Advisor Name Advisor Signature Date