

SSCO's Activity Plan 2020–2023

Year 2 2021/22

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N.B. This is an in-house translation. In the case of discrepancies between the Swedish text and this translation, the Swedish text will prevail.



About this document

The Activity Plan is the ground for realisation and evaluation of the organisation's activities. The Activity Plan shall clearly demonstrate SSCO's ambitions, membership value and long-term goals. The document is written so that major changes do not take place annually in order to create continuity and predictability for our member unions.

The Activity Plan for 2020-2023 shall be established annually by the Student Council in May with special efforts for each activity year. The continuity in the design of the document also makes it easier for the member unions to submit proposals for special initiatives themselves and thereby creates an activity plan that is current and relevant for all student unions of Stockholm.

SSCO's mission

"SSCO's purpose is to safeguard the common interests of the affiliated unions and its members, to organise and strengthen the cooperation between the unions and to represent Stockholm's students and student unions as a co-operation organisation for the Stockholm union region."

- *Statutes for United Students of Stockholm*

Organisational conditions for SSCO's goal fulfilment

In order to be able to fulfil the activity plan and implement the Union Congress' decisions, it is required that SSCO is an organisation in financial and organisational stability. The board shall pay special attention to handover routines, work environment and equality, division of responsibilities, transparent and open recruitment processes and contact routes between student unions and the organisation.



Part 1
Political
influence



Strategic goals

1. SSCO is the natural voice for questions about students' housing, finances, and health in the Stockholm region.
2. SSCO's politics is developed by and established by the member unions.
3. There are good conditions for being a student in Stockholm.

Political initiative 2021/22

Student housing for the student wallet

There are nearly 100,000 students and PHD students attending our various universities and colleges in Stockholm, but barely 20,000 student accommodations are available in the whole region. The student housing built today will require students to have a job alongside their studies, and the current subletting regulations means that the subletting market is both expensive and unsafe. Stockholm's students demand student housing for the student wallet.

Day-to-day operations

SSCO's political work is based on three core areas: students' housing, students' finances, and students' health.

Debate-creating

SSCO shall actively work to create debate in relevant topics for Stockholm's students and student unions and shall in this work regionally and nationally to make their needs and conditions visible at their universities and in their lives.

Networking

SSCO shall be the natural unifying student voice in Stockholm and actively elevate the students' perspective within our networks and potential networks. This means constantly being up to date on issues that benefit Student Stockholm, attending relevant contexts and creating collaborations with parties that are important for our mission.



Stockholm's student budget

Stockholm's student budget is a tool to shine a light on students' financial conditions in Stockholm. SSCO will compile this budget annually and use it in our political work to turn the capital into a simpler and cheaper place of education.

The Almedalen and Järva weeks

SSCO shall use the Almedalen week and Järva weeks as arenas to highlight the needs and conditions of Stockholm's students and our member unions.



Part 2
Study social
activities





Strategic goals

1. Stockholm is considered a leading and vibrant student city.
2. Stockholm's student life is leading in matters of inclusive and inspiring meeting places.
3. There is good co-operation between the student organisations and continuous exchanges between them.

Study social initiatives 2021/22

An entry to all of student stockholm

From the beginning of the millennium and onwards there was a separate, Stockholm based membership card for Stockholm's student unions, which thereby was more adapted to the needs and wishes of Stockholm's students, rather than the national alternatives available today. Such a card could also mean the opportunity to open up student pubs and events for the students of the city, and to promote new meetings. SSCO will, during this activity year, investigate the possibility of reintroducing this card, and what benefits that could raise for Stockholm's students.

Day-to-day operations

Students' Walpurgis celebration

In 1894, the students held their spring welcome speech for the first time on Sollidenscenen at Skansen, a tradition that has now been going on for over 100 years. SSCO shall continue to coordinate Stockholm's student unions' joint standards and in connection with this event elevate Stockholm as a student city.

The Nobel banquet

Since the beginning of the 20th century, Stockholm's student union have been an obvious part of the Nobel Banquet, with their flags and stands and as marshals. SSCO shall continue to coordinate Stockholm's student unions' joint standards, strengthen the ties between SSCO and the Nobel Foundation and, in connection with the Nobel Banquet, elevate Stockholm as a student city, in the case there is an event in 2021.



Klubbmästarrådet (KMR)

SSCO shall be the hub for Stockholm's student pubs and together in Klubbmästarrådet educate, develop, and inspire for an inclusive and open environment around all of Stockholm's campuses.

The Nobel Lottery

SSCO shall continue to open the doors for students to the Nobel Banquet every year through the Nobel Lottery in collaboration with the Nobel Foundation, in the case there is an event in 2021.

Walpurgis Pub Crawl

The Walpurgis Pub Crawl was arranged for the first time in 1989 and will, under the continued leadership of the Ceremonial Masters and the Walpurgis Family, engage Stockholm's students for a full day in connection with Valborgsmässoafton.

Stockholm Prevents Alcohol and Drug Problems (STAD)

Security for guests and responsible staff is of great importance to SSCO for Stockholm's student pubs. In collaboration with the Stockholm Region, the Police and the Student Health, SSCO shall continue to coordinate education opportunities for the member unions' student pubs.



part 3

Student service and member support



Strategic goals

1. SSCO's member unions are strong and self-governing organisations.
2. All students in Stockholm are members of their student union.
3. It is easy for a student to get involved in SSCO and its student union.

Member focus 2021/22

The effect of the pandemic on student unions

2020 came and completely turned education and involvement upside-down. SSCO's member unions have since then testified to changed terms and conditions for both activities and finances as well as voluntary forces, and students' physical and psychosocial work environment are more topical than ever. As a regional member organisation, SSCO shall, within the framework of our operations, strengthen our member unions based on the aforementioned aspects and promote cooperation between them.

Day-to-day operations

Akademisk kvart

In a housing crisis there needs to be alternative ways of getting a home during the study period. SSCO will continue to operate the subletting platform Akademisk Kwart for Stockholm's students with clear and student-adapted requirements for letting and renting.

The Stockholm Convention

SSCO shall run the network The Stockholm Convention (Stockholmskonventet) and make it a natural digital meeting place for questions and support between the student unions. The Stockholm Convention will also meet twice a year to discuss and educate on current issues.



Studenthälsan.se

SSCO shall run and develop the platform Studenthälsan.se. Way too few students in Stockholm have a good knowledge of the student health service and its aim and some do not know which centre to turn to. SSCO shall make it easier for students to contact the student health service and offer guidance regarding common health issues for students.

Stockholms studentbostäder

In the 1950's, SSCO founded what today is Sweden's largest student housing agent – Stiftelsen Stockholms studentbostäder (SSSB). SSCO shall actively seek ways to cooperate with SSSB to find synergies between house building and students' financial and social conditions.

The Foundation Stockholm Student Reception Service Fund (SSRSF)

SSRSF is a foundation through which SSCO every other year distributes funds for projects and events among our member unions that work with the same purpose as the foundation. In 2021/22, approved applications shall be evaluated and followed up upon.