

Membership Category - University Student

Improved Regulatory Effectiveness and Efficiency



To improve regulatory effectiveness and efficiency, provisions for university students as a Member category can be included in APEGA's Bylaws rather than the Engineering and Geoscience Professions Act General Regulation.

Background





- The *EGP Act* states that Council may make regulations to establish categories and conditions regarding the enrolment (Section 19(1)(a)).
- One category of students under the current legislation encompasses individuals enrolled in a full-time program at a university in Alberta leading to an undergraduate degree in engineering or geoscience.
- Provisions related to University Students are currently found in Sections 6 and 7 of the EGP Act General Regulation, which deals with eligibility and striking from the record.

Why is this Important?





- A University Student is not a regulated Member. University Students are a category of membership that is allowed to be associated with APEGA.
- Provisions that can be appropriately addressed in APEGA's Bylaws should not be included in the Act or EGP General Regulation.

Proposed legislative change





- It is recommended that the legislation be amended to remove provisions regarding University Students from the *EGP General Regulation* and include them in the Bylaws.
- Sections 19 and 20 of the EGP Act, regarding Regulation- and Bylaw-making powers, should also be amended to reflect this change.

Effects of Proposed Legislative Change





- It will streamline the legislation by removing provisions that need not appear in the *EGP General Regulation* and that can be effectively and appropriately addressed through APEGA Bylaws.
- This aligns with the majority of constituent associations in Canada, most of which do not have a university student category in their legislation.