

Election Announcement

On the basis of § 27 of the Law of Universities in the Free State of Saxony (Sächsisches Hochschulgesetz - SächsHSG) in the version valid as of April 27, 2019, and the Election Regulations of the Student Body of the University of Leipzig dated April 26, 2024 (including amending statutes 1 and 2), annual elections for the student body councils are to be held.

On the

4th May 2026, from 09:00 – 15:00

the

**by-elections of the student council representatives in
Sociology and Religious studies, area studies, and others**

will take place.

The term of office of the elected student councils is regularly 12 months. It began on 01st October 2025 and ends on 30th September 2026.

In the case of by-elections the office can be taken as soon as the final election results have been announced.

All deadlines apply **in each case until 12:00 PM** on the indicated date.

1. List of voters and election regulations of the student body

These are available from **April 7th till April 13th, 2021**, upon request at the election office of the Student Council (Universitätsstr. 1, Room S002). Only members of the student body who are registered in the respective electoral register may vote and be elected.

Students **who belong to more than one student council** must submit a written declaration to the election administration by the end of **April 13th 2026**, stating in which student council they wish to exercise their right to vote. The declaration of consent to the candidacy is also considered as a declaration. If such a declaration is not made or not made in time, the allocation will be made according to the first main subject or core subject, for students of the degree programs for higher education at grammar schools and teaching at secondary schools according to the first subject, and for students of the teaching profession at elementary school or special education to the student body of the Department of Pedagogy. The allocation can be checked in advance in the electoral register.

Anyone who is eligible to vote can lodge a written reminder (request for change) with the electoral administration against **non-registration** in the electoral roll, against the **registration of a person who is not eligible to vote** or against a **false entry** in the electoral roll until the end of **April 13th 2026**.

2. Election proposals for the candidates

Only persons who are included in an election proposal can be listed on the official ballot papers. Nominations for election must always be submitted on forms which are available at the Student Council and on the homepage of the Student Council.

Nominations must include the surname, first name, matriculation number, course of study and the committee for which the candidate is to be nominated. They must contain the consent to stand for election. An applicant may only be included **on one nomination**.

They must be submitted to the election administration by **April 13th 2026**. Nominations not submitted by the deadline will not be considered.

Approved nominations will be published from **April 15th 2026** at the official notice boards of the student body and on the homepage of the student council.

3. Type of election

Each voter can cast 3 votes in these elections; votes can be cast for the proposed persons listed on the ballot papers as well as for other persons who can be elected and who have to be entered personally. The elections administrator will inform you about further election modalities in the postal voting instructions.

Postal voting is possible; if necessary, it must be applied for in writing, fax, e-mail or by any other documentable electronic means of transmission, if appropriate in the form of a collective application until **April 27th 2026** in accordance with Section 12 (1) of the Election Rules. The application must be personally signed. If the postal voting documents are to be delivered by post, a deliverable address must be given and the application must be submitted by **May 4th 2026** at the latest. For applications submitted later, the eligible voter bears the risk of timely receipt of the postal voting documents. In specially justified cases, in which an obstacle occurs after the deadline and is not the responsibility of the person entitled to vote, a special application can be submitted by **May 1th 2026**. In this case a postal delivery is excluded.

The election letters must be received by the election administration by **May 4th 2026 at 3pm**.

The votes are counted after the personalized proportional representation election if list election proposals have been submitted. The Sainte-Laguë method is used. In the absence of list nominations, the majority voting method shall be applied. The exact procedure is regulated in Section 2 (3) to (6) of the electoral regulations.

4. Election results

The preliminary election results are expected to be published on **May 7th 2026** on the homepage of the Student Council and can be contested at the latest by the eighth day after the announcement, expected to be **May 15th 2026**. In case of a later publication of the preliminary election results, the deadline for contesting the results will be extended accordingly.

The final election results will be announced after the contestation deadline has passed.



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