# Election Announcement

On the basis of § 26 of the Law on the Freedom of Universities in the Free State of Saxony (Sächsisches Hochschulfreiheitsgesetz - SächsHSFG) in the version valid as of April 27, 2019, and the Election Regulations of the Student Body of the University of Leipzig dated September 23, 2020, annual elections for the student body councils are to be held.

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the

# 15th and 16th December, respectively at 09:00 – 16:00

### elections of the student council representatives (FSR)

and the election of

# foreign students to the Foreign Students Unit (RAS)

will take place.

The **term of office** of the elected student councils and the International Students' Office is 12 months. It begins on 01.10.2020 and ends on 30 September 2021.

Since the election process had to be suspended due to the effects of the Corona pandemic and the elections postponed until the winter semester of 2020/21, **office** cannot be **taken** until the final election results have been determined.

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

## <u>1. List of voters as of October 26, 2020 and election regulations of the student</u> body

These are available from **November 03 to November 17, 2020**, during the respective opening hours at the election office of the Student Council (Universitätsstr. 1, Room S002) and from 09:00 to 15:00 in the election office of the University of Leipzig (Goethestr 6, 7th floor, Room 709/710). Only members of the student body who are registered in the respective electoral register may vote and be elected. The deadline for registration in the electoral register was October 26, 2020.

Students who belong to more than one student council must submit a written declaration to the election administration by the end of **November 17, 2020**, stating in which student council they wish to

<sup>1</sup> This election announcement is an updated version of the election announcement from October 27th of 2020



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 November 17, 2020.

#### 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 **17** November **2020**. Nominations not submitted by the deadline will not be considered.

Approved nominations will be published from **25 November 2020** 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 election committee in the polling station or the election management will inform you about further election modalities.

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 **8 December 2020** 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 **30 November 2020** 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



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The election letters must be received by the election administration by **December 15, 2020**.

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 § 2 para. 3-6 of the electoral regulations.

#### 4. Election results

The preliminary election results are expected to be published on **23 December 2020** at the official notice boards of the Student Union and on the homepage of the Student Council and can be contested at the latest by the eighth day after the announcement, expected to be **31 December 2020**. 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 by January 7, 2021 at the latest.

Leipzig, 02.11.2020

#### Marc Guhr Elections administrator of the student body

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English Philology / American Studies	10
Archaeology and History of the old Europe	5
Biosciences und Pharmaceutics	15
Chemistry und Mineralogy	12
German as a foreing- and second Language / Herder Institute	12
Pedagogy	15
Geography and Geosciences	5
German Philology	12
History	9
Computer Science	11



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