Student Council elections of the University of Bremen

until 14.12.2020, at noon

Who is elected?

On Monday, 23.11. the election documents will be sent out and by Monday, 14.12.

the 25 members of the student council

of the University of Bremen will be chosen by the students. Due to Corona, the election commission has decided not to hold a presence election, it will be a pure postal election instead. Since the option of a postal vote is not intended as a pure postal vote in the election regulations, we have to deviate from it in a few points to ensure a hygienic and efficient election process. If you would like to know the exact changes, please contact us by email.

All students who are enrolled at the University of Bremen at the time of the election and who have paid the student body fee are entitled to the right to vote and stand for election. These rights are also available to foreign students who have been accepted for a place at the University of Bremen.

Eligibility to vote and voting procedure

All Students of the University of Bremen with a valid student card for the winter semester 2020/2021 are entitled to vote.

Voting happens by postal vote.

The voting documents will be sent to your registered address from 23.11.2020 onwards. Due to the Corona Pandemic, it is not possible to collect the voting documents yourself. The ballot papers of all voters must be received together with the declaration of independence in an election envelope by noon on the last election day, Monday, 14.12.2020, at the election commission.

The declaration of independence is a piece of paper on which you confirm your identity and vouch for the fact that you are really the student as whom you are submitting the ballot. The declaration must be signed and returned with the ballot paper, otherwise the ballot paper is invalid.

Only an entry in the voters register entitles you to vote.

Foreign students who have been accepted for a place at the University of Bremen from the winter semester 2020/2021 are also eligible to vote.

Important: If you vote by postal vote, you must fill out the documents completely!

List of eligible voters (voters register)

At the electoral commission, every person entitled to vote can view the voters' register. Since the office of the election commission is normally not occupied at the moment because of Corona, an appointment for the inspection must be arranged with us by email.

Anyone entitled to vote can lodge an objection to this list of eligible voters with the electoral commission until Monday, 2.11.2020, 1 p.m.

The objection must be justified and made in a written form.

Please drop the objection in the mailbox of the election commission. It is located in the corridor to the AStA conference room opposite room A 2120, accessible via the Studierendenwerk, entrance on the first floor in the 'Glaskasten' (the AStA floor is closed due to corona, there is no access from there). Wearing a mask is compulsory when entering the building.

Proposals for election

The election proposals must be submitted to the election commission. Each election proposal must contain the following information:

- the surname, first name, and if desired the calling name
- the address,
- the email address,
- course of studies or study programs,
- study semester,
- matriculation number,
- the name of the list or list combination for which a candidate is being nominated, or whether it is an individual candidacy.

Nominations can be submitted to the election commission as individual or closed list proposals. In the case of list proposals, a list with the order of the candidates must be enclosed and a responsible contact person with phone number and e-mail address must be named. The name and, if applicable, the short name of the list must be expressly stated. In addition to the list name, the election proposals can be provided with a short name of the list.

The election proposals shall be submitted using the forms or a corresponding form. In order to avoid errors when reading and transferring data, the forms should be filled out and printed electronically or legibly in block letters (see www.sr.uni-bremen.de)

Each candidate must confirm their candidacy with their own signature. Each candidate can only be a candidate for one list.The deadline for submitting nominations is **Wednesday, 4.11.2020 at 1 p.m.**

Only submissions submitted in due form and time will be considered. Only persons who are included in such a nomination can be elected. The order of list combinations and individual nominations on the ballot paper shall be drawn by public lot by the election commission. If you are interested, the election commission will send you the link for this.

The election proposals in the form of a provisional ballot (sample ballot) will be made public in the 'Glaskasten' on the AStA floor from Friday, 6.10.2020 (also see www.sr.uni-bremen.de). Objections to the provisional ballot (sample ballot) must be submitted in written form to the electoral commission by Tuesday, 10.11.2020, 1 p.m. with reasons in the same mailbox as objections to the voters' register.

Other

The election regulations can be viewed at the election commission or the election manager (also see www.sr.uni-bremen.de).

If the election is not extended by two event days, the public counting of votes and the determination of the preliminary election results will take place on Monday, **14.12., from 2 p.m. and Tuesday, 15.12.2020.** The determination of the final election results will take place on **Wednesday, 16.12.2020**, and will be announced at 3 p.m. The count will not be physically accessible, but will be available as a stream online. In order to attend the count, an e-mail must be sent to the Electoral Commission with the request. We will then provide the link.

Election Assistants wanted

You need to speak German to work as an election assistant. In the german election announcement you will find all the information regarding the application.

Bremen, 26.10.2020

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