

NOTICE OF ELECTION

for the elections for the Senate, the Faculty Councils, the School of Theology's Appointments Council, the Student Council and the Student Committees of Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg from June 20 until June 27, 2023

I. General provisions and legal basis

In accordance with Section 48 of the Bavarian Higher Education Innovation Act (**BayHIG**), the Regulations governing Elections at FAU (**Electoral Regulations**), the Regulations Deviating from the Bavarian Higher Education Act and the Bavarian Law on Academic Personnel of Higher Education Institutions at Bavarian Universities (**HSchAbwV**) and the Constitution of Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (**GrO**), the representatives in the **Senate** (Section 35 (1) BayHIG), in the **Faculty Councils** (Section 41 (1) BayHIG), the **Student Committees** (Section 27 (2) BayHIG, Section 24 (5) GrO), the **School of Theology's Appointments Council** (Section 3 (5) 3–7 HSchAbwV, Section 19 (2) GrO) and the **Student Council** (Section 27 (2) BayHIG, Section 24 (3) GrO) shall be elected by the members of the group to which they belong (Section 19 BayHIG).

All terms of office begin on October 1, 2023; the terms of office of student members shall end on September 30, 2024, the terms of office of the other members shall end on September 30, 2025 (Section 7(1) Electoral Regulations).

II. Committees for election

Representatives will be elected for the following committees:

1. to the Senate:

- a) six representatives of full-time university lecturers; pursuant to Section 3 (5) Electoral Regulations, all full-time university lecturers at the University shall elect one member from each of the five faculties, and the sixth member from the entire list of candidates in the group,
- b) one representative of academic staff and doctoral candidates
- c) one representative of non-academic staff

2. to each of the Faculty Councils at the five faculties:

- a) twelve representatives of full-time university lecturers
- b) four representatives of academic staff and doctoral candidates
- c) two representatives of non-academic staff
- d) four student representatives.

3. to the School of Theology's Appointments Council:

- a) six representatives of full-time university lecturers
- b) two representatives of academic staff and doctoral candidates
- c) one representative of non-academic staff
- d) two student representatives.

4. to the Student Committees:

The members of the Student Committees (Fachschaftsvertretungen) will be elected at the same time as the student representatives for the Faculty Councils. The number of members and how they are determined are regulated by Section 27 (2) BayHIG and Section 24 (5) GrO. Currently each of the Student Committees have the following number of members:

a) Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Theology	14 members
b) Faculty of Business, Economics, and Law	14 members
c) Faculty of Medicine	10 members
d) Faculty of Sciences	10 members
e) Faculty of Engineering	14 members

However, the final number of members in the Student Committees will be confirmed on the basis of the number of students at each faculty when the electoral register is closed (see Section 4).

5. in the Student Council:

Fifteen student representatives are elected directly by all students; a further fifteen members (three per faculty) are chosen by the Student Committees from their members.

III. Nominations

Nominations may be submitted from April 27, 2023 until 4pm on May 10,2023.

Nominations are to be submitted to the Elections Office or the Returning Officer using the nominations forms, which are separated according to committee and group. **Any nominations submitted after the deadline will not be valid.** Only candidates whose nominations have been accepted may be elected. Further information can be found on the information sheet about submitting nominations which is available on the Elections Office's website (wahlen.fau.de) along with the election nomination forms.

Nominations accepted for the election by the Elections Committee will be published on the Elections Office's notice board (Halbmondstr. 6, 91054 Erlangen) and on the Elections Office's website.

IV. Right to vote and electoral register

Individuals must be entered in the electoral register at the time when it is closed in order to exercise their right to vote and stand as a candidate. The electoral register shall be available for inspection from 9am to 4pm on May 17, 2023, from 9am to 12pm on May 19, 2023 and from 9am to 4pm on May 22, 2023 in Erlangen at the University Administration's Elections Office, Schlossplatz 4, 2nd floor, room 2.027/2.029.

The electoral register will be closed at **9am on May 23, 2023**. Written **notifications** of missing or incorrect entries in the electoral register are permitted. However, these notifications may only be submitted by those who are eligible to vote and are entered or should be entered in the electoral register. A notification such as this must be submitted to the Elections Office or the Returning Officer at the latest by the first working day after the electoral register has been closed, i.e. by **4pm on May 24, 2023.**

Those who are eligible to vote and are included in the electoral register will receive a polling card from late April. Those who are eligible to vote and have a fully activated IdM account will receive their polling card as an electronic document via the internet portal online-wahlen.fau.de. Those who are eligible to vote but do not have a fully activated IdM account will receive their polling card in writing. The polling card informs individuals eligible to vote which group and Faculty they are registered to vote for in the electoral register and which electronic polling station (election portal) they must vote at. If corrections are made to the electoral register, those eligible to vote that are affected by the corrections will receive a corrected polling card.

V. Election deadlines and casting votes

The university election shall be held as an electronic election with the option of a postal vote from 9am on June 20, 2023 until 9am on June 27, 2023. You can find the access code required for the electronic polling station in your polling card. Votes are cast on separate ballot papers for each committee and each group. The number of votes that each voter may cast is equal to the number of representatives in the corresponding committee that are to be elected for the group to which they belong.

Voters have the following options:

- They may select one group of candidates as it stands.
- They may **give multiple votes** (a maximum of 3 votes per candidate until the total number of votes is reached) to candidates in **one** group of candidates.
- They may mark one group of candidates and give individual candidates within this group only a maximum of 3 votes until the total number of available votes is reached.

Selecting candidates from different groups of candidates (vote splitting) is permitted only in the election for student representatives.

Further details are stipulated in Sections 11, 13 and 14 Electoral Regulations.

VI. Postal vote

Votes may also be cast by postal vote. Those eligible to vote who intend to vote by postal vote must apply for the postal vote documents using the postal vote application form included on the polling card, which must bear their **own signature**. Postal vote documents may be sent by post or collected in person. Applications must be received by the Elections Office or the Returning Officer by **4pm on May 30, 2023**. In order for postal votes to be counted, the Elections Office must receive the completed postal vote documents (voting letter with completed ballot papers) **by 9am on the last day of the election period (June 27, 2023)**.

VII. Election result

A copy of the announcement of the election result will be posted on the Elections Office notice board at Halbmondstraße 6 in Erlangen. The election result will also be published on the Elections Office's web page.

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All regulations that are of significance to the university election can be found via

the Elections Office's (Wahlamt) web page.