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18 July 2025

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 2025/26 CAMPUS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (CSRC) AND FACULTY STUDENT COUNCIL (FSC) ELECTION SCHEDULE

Dear Students,

This notice serves to inform you of the approved 2025/26 Election Schedule for the Campus Student Representative Council (CSRC) and Faculty Student Council (FSC).

The Elections Logistics Committee (ELC), in consultation with the Institutional Student Representative Council (ISRC), approved the election schedule on 18 July 2025. In line with Annexure B, Section 5.1 of the Institutional Student Representative Council Constitution (2024, as amended), the ELC, in consultation with the ISRC, is mandated to approve the annual Election Timetable.

**Integrated Elections** 

This year's election process integrates the Campus Student Representative Council (CSRC) and Faculty Student Council (FSC) elections. Both structures will be elected under a unified schedule to ensure alignment across these student governance structures. Moreover, the schedule has been expanded to include the inaugurations of the newly elected councils as well as the election of the Institutional Student Representative Council (ISRC). This integrated approach, endorsed by the ISRC, supports a seamless transition between leadership structures and promotes governance continuity across campuses and faculties.

These elections are guided by the <u>Institutional Student Representative Council Constitution</u> (2024, as amended).

See the election schedule below:





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## ELECTION SCHEDULE: 2025/26 CAMPUS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (CSRC) AND FACULTY STUDENT COUNCIL (FSC)

Item	Date
Announcement of Election Timetable.	23 July
Submission of the Voters' Roll.	16 August
THIRD QUARTER COMMENCE	21 July
Pre-Election Training (1, 2, & 3)	29-31 July
Opening and Announcement of Candidate Nominations.	28 July
Closing of Candidate Nominations	30 July
Online Marketing Campaign and Voter Education commence.	31 July
Vetting of Candidate Eligibility.	1-3 August
Publication of Candidate List (Voters' Roll)	3 August
Candidate Appeals.	4-6 August
Final Candidate List & Campaigning schedule announced and	7 August
published.	
Campaigning commences.	07 August
Campaigning closes.	19 August
Voting week.	20-22 August
Announcement of Preliminary Results.	22 August
Appeals.	<b>22-24</b> August
ELC Declaration of Election Results.	26 August
SC and BFN Inauguration	27 August
QQ Inauguration	28 August
ISRC Campaign Commences	28 August
End of Preceding CSRC Term	31 August
Start Incoming CSRC Term	01 September
ISRC Campaign week ends	05 September
ISRC Elections	08 September

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**Summary of Consultations and Preparatory Steps:** 

The composition of the Elections Logistics Committee (ELC) is guided by Annexure B, Section 4 of the

ISRC Constitution, and the following multi-tiered consultation process took place:

**Consultation with Campus Secretaries:** 

On <u>08 March 2025</u>, the Executive Director of Student Affairs (EDSA) consulted the Campus Student

Representative Council (CSRC) Secretaries across the three campuses to constitute the Elections

Logistics Committee (ELC). This process is in accordance with Section 4, Subsection 4.1.3 of the ISRC

Constitution, which states: "The ELC shall be constituted by the Executive Director of Student Affairs in

consultation with the Secretary of the CSRC in April of each year, in order to allow the ELC to commence

the process for CSRC elections in that year."

Consultation with the Institutional Student Representative Council (ISRC):

On 08 March 2025, the Executive Director of Student Affairs (EDSA) consulted the Institutional

Student Representative Council (ISRC) regarding the composition of the Elections Logistics

Committee (ELC). This step is in accordance with Section 4, Subsection 4.1.2 of the ISRC

Constitution, which states: "The ELC may consist of employees of the UFS and/or independent

third parties as deemed appropriate by the UFS in consultation with the ISRC."

**Appointment of the Chief Electoral Administrator:** 

In line with Section 4.2., subsection 4.2.1, the Executive Director, in consultation with the

Elections Logistics Committee, facilitated the appointment of the Chief Electoral

Administrator. To promote transparency and accountability, the position was publicly

advertised, which slightly extended the timeline but upheld the democratic principles and

integrity of this process.

Below is the constitutionally composed Elections Logistics Committee:

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## 2025 Elections Logistics Committee (ELC)

Representative	Role	Department and Position
Professor Sethulego Matebesi	Chief Electoral	
	Administrator	Professor and Head of Department:
		Sociology
Mrs. Matlhodi Marumo	Deputy Chairperson	Deputy Director: Student Academic Services
Ms. Lindiwe Mphatsoe	Secretary	Senior Officer: Student Academic Services
Mr. Lunga Luthuli	Communications	Acting Manager: Internal Communications;
		Department of Communications and
		Marketting
Mr. Wimpie Botha	Member	Director: Information & Communication
		Technology
Mr. Dzulani Munzhelele	Member	Manager: Student Governance Office
Ms. Masabata Borotho	Member	Acting Manager: Student Governance Office
Ms. Dulcie Malimabe	Member	Manager: Student Governance Office
Ms. Tumaloano Moeti	Member	Senior Officer: Associations & Organizations
		Coordinator
Ms. Kamogelo Dithebe	Member	Senior Officer: Faculty Student Council
		Coordinator
Mr. Setjhaba Tolo	Member	Assistant Officer: Associations &
		Organizations; and FSC

Should you require further information or clarity on any aspect of the election process, please do not hesitate to contact the Elections Logistics Committee at <a href="mailto:election@ufs.ac.za">election@ufs.ac.za</a>

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