

**TED UNIVERSITY**  
**STUDENT SOCIETIES AND STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS**  
**ELECTORAL PROCEDURES**

**Objective and Scope**

**ARTICLE 1-** (1) Objective of these rules and principles is to regulate the methods and processes to be followed during the elections of the *Administrative and Supervisory Boards* in TED University *Student Societies and Student Associations*.

**Basis**

**ARTICLE 2-** (1) These rules and principles are based on the *TED University Regulations on Student Societies*.

**Principles and Methods to be Followed in Elections**

**ARTICLE 3-** (1) The electoral calendar of the *Student Societies and Student Associations* is determined every year by the approval of the *Student Societies Commission* as advised by the relevant unit. The calendar is announced on the University website and the bulletin boards by the relevant unit responsible for the *Student Societies and Student Associations*.

(2) Elections are held face-to-face or online through TED University survey system under the supervision of the *Student Societies Commission*, unless otherwise issued by the *University Senate*.

(3) Students who participate in the *General Assembly* become the active members of the relevant society or association. TED University students whose names are listed in the active members' roster submitted to the responsible unit can vote in the relevant election.

(4) TED University students who have participated in the *General Assembly* of a *Student Society or a Student Association* and whose names are listed in the active members' roster submitted to the responsible unit can nominate for the *Administrative or Supervisory Board*, provided that they have fulfilled the required conditions.

(5) Students who want to nominate for the *Administrative or Supervisory Boards* of *Student Societies/Associations* must submit the wet-signed and scanned copy of the application form,

which can be obtained from the web page of the related unit to ([yim@tedu.edu.tr](mailto:yim@tedu.edu.tr)) via email during the application window as announced in the electoral calendar.

(6) Absolute majority (min. 50%) of the submitted active members' roster is required to have participated and voted in the first ballot of *Administrative and Supervisory Board* elections of the *Student Societies/Associations*. If the required level of participation cannot be reached at the first round, no participation level is sought at the second ballot.

(7) If a *Student Society/Association* fails to hold the elections within the designated window, an election is to be held in the subsequent academic year open to all TED University students who have applied for membership to the related Society/Association.

(8) If a Student Society/Association fails to hold the elections within the designated window, related *Administrative/Supervisory Boards* will not be present until the elections are held.

(9) Election results are to be announced on the bulletin boards and the TED University website.

(10) *Electoral Council Board* is consisted of the eldest active member of the related *Society/Association* and the representative of the *Registrar's Office*, and presided by the representative of the responsible unit. Minutes of the election, which is held within the designated window, is to be taken down by the *Electoral Council Board* and submitted to the *Student Societies Commission*.

### **Nomination Conditions for the Administrative/Supervisory Boards of Student Societies/Associations**

**ARTICLE 4-** (1) TED University students, who are active members of the *General Assembly* may nominate for the *Administrative Board* elections of the *Student Society/Association* with a team consisted of total 7 (seven) members, 5 (five) of which being full members and 2 (two) as substitute members.

(2) TED University students, who are active members of the *General Assembly* may nominate for the *Supervisory Board* elections of the *Student Society/Association* with a team consisted of minimum 3 (three) members.

(3) TED University alumni may become an honorary member in a *Student Society/Association*. Honorary members may not apply for membership and they may not vote.

### **Announcement of the Electoral Calendar and Nominations**

**ARTICLE 5-** (1) Electoral calendar is to be announced by the responsible unit via email and the bulletin boards to all university students. Besides, information on the electoral process must be provided on the University website. Nominees must complete their nomination procedures within the designated window as announced in the electoral calendar.

(2) Following the last day of the nomination window, and within the period announced in the electoral calendar, the *Electoral Council Board* reviews the nominations whether the nominees meet the required conditions or not.

(3) The list of nominees approved by the *Electoral Council Board* is to be published on the University website by the responsible unit. All *Administrative and Supervisory Board* nominees are to be notified via email.

### **Organizing Electoral Campaigns**

**ARTICLE 7-** (1) Electoral campaigns may be run using printed material such as bills and posters or via electronic media provided that these are approved by the *Student Societies Commission*.

(2) Any kind of posters and bills prepared for electoral propaganda can be exhibited at the designated locations by the *Student Societies Commission* and these materials are to be removed on the day before the elections.

(3) Nominees of the Administrative/Supervisory Boards may run their campaigns until the last workday before the election day.

### **Conduct of the Elections**

**ARTICLE 8-**(1) Guidelines for the conduct of the elections are to be enclosed in the electoral notification email, along with the electoral calendar, and also to be announced on the bulletin boards and the TED University website.

### **Announcement of the Results**

**ARTICLE 9-** (1) After the completion of the elections, the results approved by the *Student Societies Commission* are to be announced by the responsible unit on the bulletin boards and the TED University website on the dates given in the calendar.

## **Objection to Electoral Results**

**ARTICLE 10-** (1) Objections against the members of *Student Societies/Associations*, and of the *Electoral Council Board*, and against the nominees can be lodged to the *Student Societies Commission* within the designated window following the nominations as given in the electoral calendar, using the petition form given on the web page of the responsible unit. Wet-signed and scanned copy of the form must be submitted to the *Department of Documentation and Registry Management* via email ([yim@tedu.edu.tr](mailto:yim@tedu.edu.tr)). Objections are to be handled by the *Student Societies Commission* and finalized within the designated window as given in the electoral calendar.

(2) Objections against the electoral process can be made using a wet-signed and scanned petition addressing to the *Student Societies Commission* to be submitted to the *Department of Documentation and Registry Management* via email ([yim@tedu.edu.tr](mailto:yim@tedu.edu.tr)), within the designated window following the announcement of the election results as given in the electoral calendar.

(3) Objections are to be handled by the *Student Societies Commission*; elections might be suspended when deemed necessary and the electoral calendar might be rearranged for the related *Society/Association*.