

## **ELECTION MANIFESTO**

### **University of the Arts Student Union Representative Council elections 2023**

The Student Union of Uniarts Helsinki will hold Representative Council elections in autumn 2023, in which 15 full members and 15 deputy members will be elected to the Student Union's Representative Council for a 2-year term. The Representative Council is the highest decision-making body of the Student Union, which decides, among other things, on the Student Union's membership fee and rules, approves the action plan and budget, and elects the Student Union Board, Secretary General and University of the Arts Helsinki Board student members.

#### **Standing for election**

All members of the Student Union can stand as candidates in the Representative Council elections. Members include all Uniarts Helsinki students admitted to studies leading to a bachelor's or master's degree (both those enrolled as present and absent) and all other students who have voluntarily joined the Student Union and paid its membership fee (e.g. postgraduate and exchange students). Nominations must be submitted by sending the electronic candidate notification form by 12.00 noon on October 4. Candidates may also form electoral coalitions if they so wish by giving their consent to join the electoral coalition in their candidate announcement or through their proxy representative. Electoral coalitions, on the other hand, can form election alliances in the same way.

Candidate notification forms, electoral coalition agreements and electoral alliance agreements are filled in electronically, and they are available on the Student Union's website ([taiyo.fi](http://taiyo.fi)) from Monday 18.9. onwards. A form sent electronically is interpreted as a document submitted to the Central Election Committee. Documents are received electronically by Lauri Grünthal, Secretary General of the Student Union, and Ester Sundström, Secretary of Member Services and Communications. All documents submitted to the Central Election Committee must be received by Wednesday 4.10.2023 at 12.00 noon at the latest. According to the Student Union's election order, documents submitted late cannot be processed.

The preliminary list of candidates for the elections will be delivered to the Student Union's official notice board at the web address [www.taiyo.fi](http://www.taiyo.fi) no later than Tuesday 10.10.2023 at 4.00 p.m. In addition, the list of candidates shall be made available without undue delay at least to the following places:

- Bulletin boards of the Student Union in the M and N buildings of the Sibelius Academy (Töölönlahdenkatu 16 C, 3rd floor, Helsinki; Nervanderinkatu 13, 4th floor, Helsinki)
- Student Union notice board in the lobby of the Theatre Academy (Haapaniemenkatu 6, Helsinki)
- Academy of Fine Arts lobby (Sörnäisten rantatie 19, Helsinki)
- Sibelius Academy Kuopio campus (Kuopionlahdenkatu 23 C, Kuopio)
- Sibelius Academy Seinäjoki campus (Nyykoolinkatu, Seinäjoki).

After the publication of the preliminary list of candidates, voters can submit correction requests for one week, which will be sent by e-mail to [taiyo-paasihteeri@uniarts.fi](mailto:taiyo-paasihteeri@uniarts.fi) no later than Tuesday 17.10.2023 at 4.00 p.m. After this, the final list of candidates will be delivered to the Student Union's official notice board ([www.taiyo.fi](http://www.taiyo.fi)) no later than Friday 20.10.2023 at 4.00 p.m. and without undue delay also to the other places mentioned above.

#### **Voting in elections**

All University of the Arts Student Union members who have enrolled as attending the Uniarts Helsinki have the right to vote in the Representative Council elections. The Representative Council elections will be held electronically on three voting days: the advance voting day is Thursday 2.11.2023, and the actual voting days are Tuesday 7.11.2023 and Wednesday 8.11.2023 based on the election order. Electronic voting is open on the day of advance voting and on the actual voting days from 8 am to 8 pm. A link to the electronic voting system will be delivered to the members of the Student Union by email and via the Student Union's website.

The right to vote is verified and voting is carried out using the data in the university's student information system and the user IDs of the university's information systems in a separate voting system.

According to the election order, persons appointed by the Central Election Committee who are not candidates in the election supervise electronic elections in accordance with the instructions of the Central Election Committee. The Central Election Committee decides on procedures in possible exceptional situations.

**Election advertising** starts on Tuesday 10.10.2023 and ends on Wednesday 8.11.2023. The Central Election Committee will separately issue more detailed instructions on election advertising before it begins.

**Helsinki 13.9.2023**

**CENTRAL ELECTION COMMITTEE OF THE STUDENT UNION OF UNIARTS HELSINKI**

**More info on:**

- Secretary General Lauri Grünthal (taiyo-paasihteeri@uniarts.fi, tel. 040 710 4296).

**This election declaration is available** at least on the official notice board of the Student Union of Uniarts Helsinki at the web address [www.taiyo.fi](http://www.taiyo.fi) and also at the following places:

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