# Notice of Election

for the election of the Student Parliament (StuPa) and the Departmental Student Councils (DSCs) in the winter semester 2025/26

## 1. Polling Period

The election for the governing bodies of the Student Union at the Niederrhein University of Applied Sciences will be conducted from:

00:00 hours on Monday, 1 December 2025, until 23:59 hours on Monday, 8 December 2025.

#### 2. Elected Bodies and the Number of Seats

Elections shall be held for the 21 members of the Student Parliament and the 9 members of each of the 9 Departmental Student Councils.

#### 3. Eligibility to Vote and the Electoral Register

All students who have not been on leave of absence for more than six months are eligible to vote and stand for election to the Student Parliament. Eligibility to vote for the Departmental Student Council elections is restricted to students of the respective department.

Only those who are registered in the Electoral Register can exercise their right to vote. The Electoral Register may be inspected from Thursday, 16 October 2025, to Thursday, 13 November 2025, in the AStA offices (Mönchengladbach, Webschulstraße 20; Krefeld West, Adlerstr. 35; Krefeld South, Reinarzstr. 49, Room AE 31f) during the opening hours published on the AStA website (https://www.asta.hn/).

Objections to the accuracy of the Electoral Register must be submitted to the Election Committee by Sunday, 16 November 2025, by email to wahlvorstand@stupa.hn.

### 4. Casting Your Vote

**Online voting:** Eligible voters will receive the information required for online voting in the form of an electronic voting notification from the University.

Postal voting: Eligible students may apply to vote by post.

**Important note:** Students who are also employed as academic or non-academic staff at the University may only vote by postal vote.

The informal application required for postal voting must include the full postal address for sending the documents. The application must be submitted by email to the Election Committee at wahlvorstand@stupa.hn by Friday, 14 November 2025, at the latest.

An application for postal voting for the Student Union elections automatically applies to the University elections as well.

#### 5. Nominations

A call for nominations is hereby issued. The period for submission ends strictly on **Friday**, **7 November 2025**. Submissions may be made during the opening hours of the AStA offices to the AStA Executive Directors or their representatives, or by prior appointment via wahlvorstand@stupa.hn.

The forms provided on the Student Parliament website must be used (https://www.stupa.hn/). A nomination shall only be valid if the information required in the form is complete and all necessary signatures have been appended. No person may be nominated on multiple nominations for the same body.

When drawing up nominations, care should be taken to ensure that women and men are listed in alternating order and in equal numbers. Nominations which do not comply with this principle shall be rejected in accordance with § 11b HG NRW, unless serious effort to draw up a corresponding list is proven in writing.

#### 6. Legal Basis and Implementation

The election shall be conducted on the basis of the Student Union Statutes and the Student Union Electoral Regulations in their currently valid version.

It shall be organised jointly with the University elections for the Senate, the Departmental Councils, the Student Assistant Council, and the Deputy Central Equal Opportunities Officer.

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Chairperson of the Student Union Election Committee