

Election announcement: Representative council elections 2026

ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS AT THE STUDENT UNION IN THE SOUTH-EASTERN FINLAND UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES FOR THE 2027 TERM

The Student Union of the South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences, Kaakko, will hold its statutory Representative Council elections from 26.10.2026 to 4.11.2026. In these elections, twenty (20) regular members and up to 20 deputy members will be elected to the Representative Council. The election will be conducted via electronic voting.

Standing as a candidate

All members of the Student Union who have paid their membership dues by 23.58 on 4.10.2026 are eligible to stand as candidates. The nomination period begins at 8:00 on 24.8.2026 and ends at 23:59 on 4.10.2026. Candidates may form electoral alliances consisting of at least two candidates. Electoral alliances may, in turn, form electoral coalitions with one another. Each coalition must appoint a representative, who may also be a person outside the electoral coalition. The representative of the electoral coalition fills out the notification of formation of the electoral coalition, and each candidate fills out the candidate registration form and, if applicable, the supplementary notification form for the electoral coalition.

Election coalitions may form election groups among themselves. Each group must appoint a representative to complete the election group formation notice. All election documents must be completed and submitted via the electronic form by 23:59 on 4.10.2026.

The candidates will be announced on 8.10.2026, on the Student Union Kaakko's website and social media channels. Any necessary corrections or changes to the candidate lists must be submitted in writing by 15:00 on 9.10.2026, to executive director at joonas.soukkio@xamk.fi

Voting

Voting takes place electronically via a link sent to your student email between 26.10. and 4.11.2026. All members of the student union who have paid their membership dues are eligible to vote in the election. You are a member of the student union if you have a valid Kaakon student ID card or a Kaakon Slice mobile student ID card. Voting takes place electronically via a link sent to your student email.

Voting for the Representative Council elections begins on 26.10.2026, at 8:00 and remains open until 4.11.2026, at 15:00. The election results will be announced on 6.11.2026. The new members of the Student Council, known as "edaattorit," will undergo orientation during the remainder of 2026 and throughout January of 2027, and the term of the elected members will begin on 1.1.2027.

Kouvola, 14.8.2026 Central Election Committee of the Student Union of the South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences

For more information about the elections and the Representative Council, please contact the chair of the Central Election Committee and the executive director of the Student Union, or visit the links below:

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