# Announcement of Elections

Elections for the Student Parliament at the University of Rostock from June 11 to June 25, 2025

# **ELECTORAL PRINCIPLES (§ 3 Wahlo)**

The Student Parliament is elected by a direct, general, free, equal, and secret vote in accordance with first-past-the-post voting principles. For the election to the Student Parliament, each student has as many votes as candidates from their electoral group can be elected to the Student Parliament. Cumulative voting is not permitted. For more information, please refer to the Wahlordnung (election regulations) of the student body of February 15, 2019 (Amtliche Bekanntmachungen Nr. 5/2019), last changed by Erste Änderungssatzung (Amtliche Bekanntmachungen Nr. 12/2023).

# RIGHT TO VOTE(§§ 2, 11 Wahlo)

Every enrolled student of the University of Rostock is eligible to exercise their active and passive right to vote. Students must be enrolled by April 22, 2025 in order to be included in the voter register. Each student can exercise both the active and passive right to vote in only one electoral group. If a student is enrolled in more than one course of study, the faculty of the first course counts. The voter register is available from May 2, 2025 to May 12, 2025 in the AStA office at Parkstraße 6 and can be viewed by appointment via email or telephone (buero.asta@uni-rostock.de, +49 (0)381 498 5601). The voter register can also be viewed at the university's Wahlamt ("Electoral office") (Akademische Selbstverwaltung (S44), Universitätsplatz 1, 18055 Rostock, Tel.: +49 (0)381 498 1205, wahlamt@uni-rostock.de) by appointment via telephone or email. Any student who thinks that the voter register is incomplete or incorrect can file an objection in writing with the Chief Electoral Officer (wahlamt@uni rostock.de) by May 12, 2025 using an official form.

# REGISTERING A CANDIDACY (§§ 12-14 Wahlo)

Nominations must be received by the Election Committee by 3 p.m. on May 12, 2025. Every eligible voter can nominate themself or another eligible voter as a candidate, provided that this person declares their consent in writing. Election registrations can be submitted using the forms provided in the AStA/StuRa office or by e-mail to wahlen.stura@uni-rostock.de.

The registration of candidacy must contain the following information: electoral group, surname, first name, faculty and first course of study, matriculation number and declaration of consent (signature can be scanned in the case of online candidacy). The candidacy registration form will be made available in the AStA/StuRa office and on our websites. The number of representatives to be elected can be found in this announcement. Defective candidacy registration forms will be returned immediately. A correction within the grace period (until May 19, 2025) is possible.

The final list of candidates will be announced on May 23, 2025 at the latest. It will be published on the website of the AStA/StuRa at (wahlen.stura-rostock.de) and can be viewed at the AStA/StuRa office.

#### ISSUANCE OF ELECTORAL DOCUMENTS (§ 17 Wahlo)

The election is held online with the option of absentee voting upon request. For the online election, voting takes place using electronic ballots in the online election portal via a user-specific smart link. The personal user ID and password of the University of Rostock are required for authentication with the election server. Eligible voters must apply for absentee ballots in writing to the Wahlamt ("Electoral Office") of the University of Rostock by May 21, 2025 by means of an official absentee ballot application form. With the dispatch or delivery of the absentee ballot documents, the eligible voters are excluded from online voting. The election documents will be sent to the eligible voters no later than June 11, 2024. In case that the electoral documents are received incorrectly or incompletely as well as in case of loss, replacement electoral documents can be applied for at the Election Office of the University of Rostock.

# CASTING VOTES (§§ 18, 20 Wahlo)

The period for online voting begins on June 11, 2025 at 12 p.m. and ends on June 25, 2025 at 12 p.m. Voting electronically is also possible by appointment during office hours in the Wahlamt ("Electoral Office") of the University of Rostock at a Computer provided for this purpose. The election letters for the absentee ballot must be received by the election office of the University of Rostock no later than June 25, 2025 at 12 p.m.

#### COUNTING OF VOTES (§ 25 Wahlo)

The counting of votes made by mail is open to members of the university and will take place on June 26, 2025, starting at 9 a.m. at the Wahlamt ("Electoral Office") of the University of Rostock. Attendance is possible after prior arrangement by telephone (+49 (0)381 498 5601).

# REPRESENTATIVES IN THE CONSTITUENCIES (§ 3 Para. 2 Wahlo)

Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Studies 3
Faculty of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering 6
Faculty of Law 2
Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Marine Technologies 4
Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences 7
Faculty of Arts and Humanities 14
Faculty of Theology 2
Rostock University Medicine 10
Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences 7

# DETERMINATION OF THE FINAL RESULTS (§ 29 Wahlo)

The final election results will be published on the websites of the AStA/StuRa and the university after the objection period ends. It is also available in the AStA/StuRa office.

