

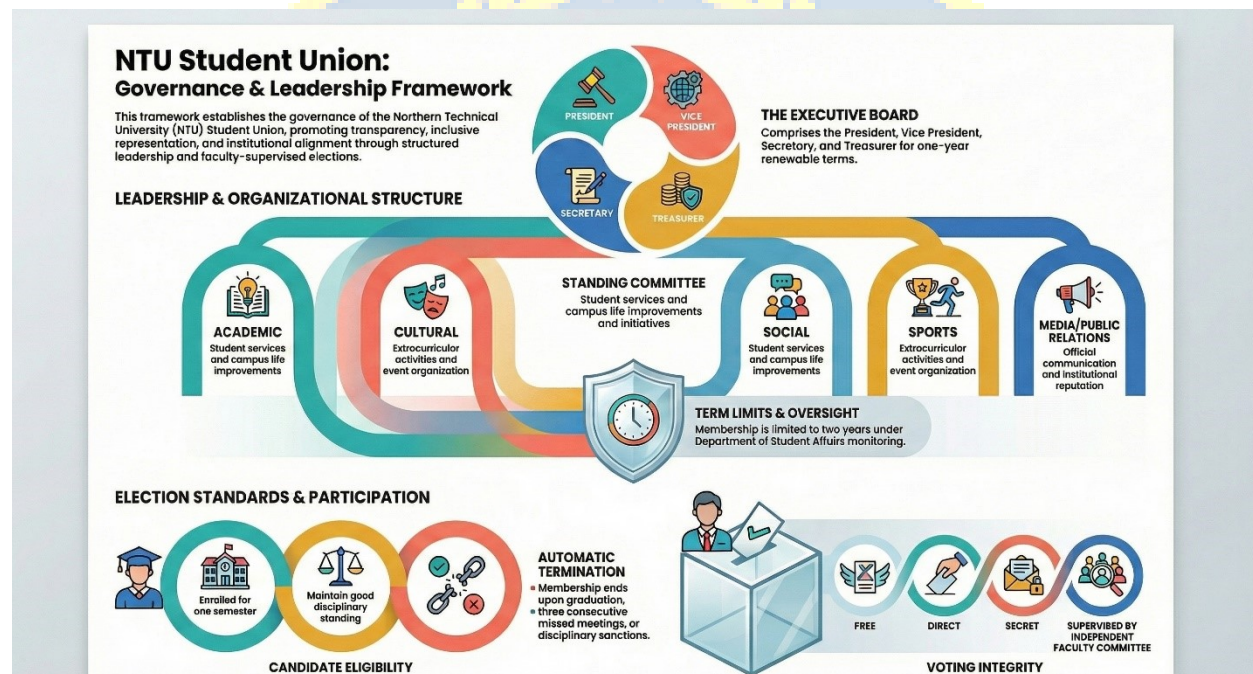
Student Union Governance Policy

Northern Technical University (NTU)

Policy Category: Student Governance & Institutional Participation

Review Cycle: Every Three Years

Responsible Entity: Department of Student Affairs



1. Policy Purpose

This policy establishes the governance framework regulating the formation, operation, and responsibilities of the Student Union at Northern Technical University (NTU). It aims to promote democratic participation, student representation, transparency, accountability, and inclusive engagement aligned with institutional governance standards and sustainable development principles.

2. Scope

This policy applies to all students, academic units, and administrative bodies involved in Student Union elections, activities, and governance processes across Northern Technical University campuses.

3. Policy Principles

The Student Union operates under the following institutional principles:

- Democratic participation through free and fair elections.



- Institutional independence within university regulations.
- Transparency and accountability in decision-making.
- Equality and non-discrimination.
- Inclusive and equitable student representation.
- Alignment with sustainable development and responsible citizenship values.

4. Governance Structure

The Student Union shall consist of elected representatives from all university colleges and shall include:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Heads of Standing Committees:
 - Academic Affairs
 - Cultural Activities
 - Social Affairs
 - Sports Activities
 - Media and Public Relations

Membership duration is one academic year, renewable once.

5. Election Governance

5.1 Eligibility

Candidates must:

- Be regularly enrolled students.
- Have completed at least one academic semester.
- Maintain good disciplinary standing.

5.2 Election Standards

Elections shall be:

- Free, direct, and secret.
- Supervised by an independent Election Supervisory Committee.
- Conducted annually at the beginning of the academic year.

5.3 Transparency

Election results shall be officially published through NTU communication channels.



6. Election Supervisory Committee

The University President appoints a committee of three to five faculty members responsible for:

- Election scheduling.
- Supervising voting and counting.
- Reviewing appeals.
- Certifying final results.

Committee decisions become final after administrative ratification.

7. Roles and Responsibilities of the Student Union

The Student Union shall:

- Represent students within institutional governance structures.
- Organize academic, cultural, social, and extracurricular activities.
- Propose initiatives improving student services and campus life.
- Support student participation in institutional decision-making.
- Submit periodic performance and activity reports.

8. Duties of Union Members

Members shall:

- Comply with university regulations and ethical standards.
- Act in the interest of all students impartially.
- Participate actively in meetings and initiatives.
- Promote dialogue, inclusion, and mutual respect.
- Protect the institutional reputation of NTU.

9. Termination of Membership

Membership shall terminate upon:

- Written resignation.
- Graduation or withdrawal.
- Unjustified absence from three consecutive meetings.
- Disciplinary sanctions.
- Violation of university regulations or this policy.

10. Policy Amendment

This policy may be amended upon recommendation from the Student Union or university administration and requires:



- Approval of two-thirds of Union members.
- Ratification by the University President.

11. Monitoring and Compliance

The Department of Student Affairs shall monitor implementation and ensure compliance with institutional governance and quality assurance standards.

12. Final Provisions

This policy serves as the official institutional reference governing student representation and participation at Northern Technical University.

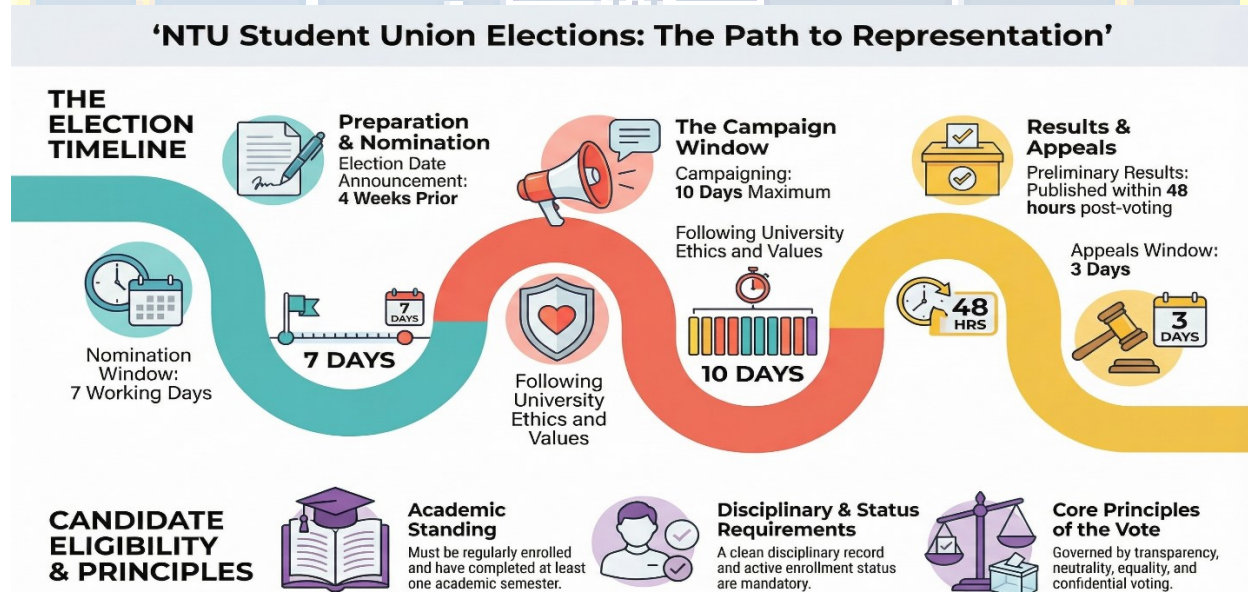
Student Union Election Guidelines

Northern Technical University (NTU)

Introduction

This guideline aims to regulate and supervise the Student Union election process at Northern Technical University (NTU) in accordance with the approved Student Union Bylaws ratified by the University Council. It ensures that elections are conducted in a democratic, transparent, and fair manner reflecting the free will of students.

Through these regulations, NTU affirms its commitment to promoting institutional values of independence, accountability, equality, integrity, and inclusive student representation throughout all stages of the electoral process.





Article 1: Scope of Application

This guideline governs all stages of Student Union elections at Northern Technical University, including election announcements, nomination procedures, campaign regulations, voting and counting mechanisms, results declaration, and appeals procedures.

Article 2: Principles of Periodic Elections

- Elections shall be held once during each academic year.
- Freedom: Students have the right to nominate themselves and vote without pressure or discrimination.
- Transparency: All procedures and results shall be publicly communicated.
- Equality: All regularly enrolled students are eligible to participate without discrimination based on gender, nationality, religion, or social background.
- Neutrality: Elections shall be administered by an impartial supervisory committee.

Article 3: Election Supervisory Committee

- The President of Northern Technical University shall issue an administrative order forming a Higher Election Committee composed of three to five academic and administrative staff members.
- The committee shall oversee election scheduling, nomination procedures, voting organization, results announcement, and appeals decisions.
- Student volunteers may assist in logistical arrangements under committee supervision.

Article 4: Election Timeline

- Election date announced four weeks prior to polling day.
- Nomination period open for seven working days.
- Eligible candidates announced within three days after nominations close.
- Campaign period not exceeding ten days.
- Polling conducted on the announced date.
- Preliminary results issued within 48 hours after vote counting.
- Appeals accepted within three days following preliminary results.

Article 5: Nomination Requirements

- The candidate must be a regularly enrolled student at NTU.
- Completion of at least one academic semester.
- Good disciplinary record.
- Active academic enrollment status.
- Submission of a signed nomination form within the specified deadline.

Article 6: Electoral Campaigns

- Candidates may conduct campaigns during the authorized period.



- Campaign activities must respect university ethics and values.
- Use of university resources for campaigning requires prior authorization.
- The committee may organize debates or electoral forums.

Article 7: Voting Mechanism

- Voting may be conducted electronically or through paper ballots.
- Each college shall provide at least one polling station.
- Voting shall be based on verified voter lists.
- Voting must be confidential and conducted in person.
- Candidate representatives may observe vote counting.

Article 8: Announcement of Results

- Preliminary results shall be published within 48 hours.
- Appeals period begins immediately after announcement.
- Final decisions issued within five days.
- Official results announced following verification.

Article 9: Appeals and Complaints

- Any voter or candidate may submit a written appeal.
- Appeals must include justified legal grounds.
- The committee shall investigate and issue decisions within the specified timeframe.

Article 10: Representation and Equality

- Electoral lists are encouraged to promote gender balance.
- Equal participation of students from diverse social and cultural backgrounds shall be supported.
- Symbolic representation seats may be adopted to enhance inclusivity.

Article 11: Handover Procedures

- Responsibilities shall be transferred from the outgoing Student Union to the newly elected body following ratification.
- The Department of Student Affairs shall document official handover records.

Article 12: Final Provisions

- These guidelines enter into force upon approval by the Northern Technical University Council.
- The guidelines shall be reviewed periodically or at least every three years.
- This document serves as the official reference governing Student Union elections at NTU.

Basic Regulations of the Student Union



The NTU Student Union: A Guide to Representation and Governance

Mission and Foundational Principles



Democratically Elected Representation

The Union serves as the collective voice for students before the university administration.



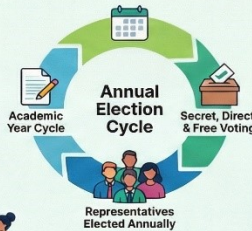
Advocacy and Empowerment

The Union empowers students to participate in decision-making and academic awareness.

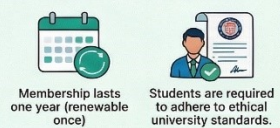
Core Pillars of Operation



Structure and Membership Rules



Term Limits and Conduct



Article (1): Definition and Purpose

The Student Union at Northern Technical University (NTU) is a democratically elected representative body that expresses the collective voice of students and represents their interests before the university administration and relevant institutional authorities.

The Union aims to organize student affairs, safeguard academic and social interests, and promote democratic engagement, responsibility, cooperation, and mutual respect within the university community.

Article (2): General Principles

The Student Union operates in accordance with the following principles:

- 1. Democracy:** The Union is established through free, direct, and fair elections involving all eligible students.
- 2. Independence:** The Union functions independently from political, partisan, or religious affiliations.
- 3. Transparency and Accountability:** All Union activities are conducted transparently, with reports and outcomes publicly communicated.
- 4. Equality and Non-Discrimination:** Participation rights are guaranteed to all students regardless of gender, religion, nationality, or social background.



5. **Inclusive Representation:** The Union ensures equitable representation of all colleges, departments, and student groups, reflecting the diversity of NTU.

Article (3): Objectives of the Union

The Student Union seeks to:

1. Strengthen students' sense of belonging and institutional identity.
2. Support scientific, cultural, social, and sports activities across the university.
3. Promote academic awareness and responsible university conduct.
4. Collaborate with university leadership and colleges to address student concerns.
5. Empower students to participate in decision-making related to academic and student affairs.
6. Promote values of citizenship, tolerance, gender equality, and mutual respect within the university community.

Article (4): Formation of the Union

1. The Student Union consists of elected representatives from all colleges of Northern Technical University.
2. Elections are conducted annually at the beginning of each academic year.
3. Membership duration is one academic year, renewable once only.
4. The Union structure includes:
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Heads of Standing Committees:
 - Cultural Committee
 - Social Committee
 - Sports Committee
 - Academic Affairs Committee
 - Media and Public Relations Committee



Article (5): Eligibility for Nomination and Elections

1. Any regularly enrolled student who has completed at least one academic semester may apply for candidacy.
2. Candidates must demonstrate good conduct and have no disciplinary penalties.
3. Applications shall be submitted within officially announced timelines.
4. Elections shall be conducted through secret, direct, and free voting under independent supervision.
5. Election results shall be transparently published through official university platforms.
6. Representation shall consider gender balance and equitable participation from all colleges and diverse student backgrounds.

Article (6): Election Supervisory Committee

1. A supervisory committee composed of three to five faculty members shall be appointed to oversee the electoral process.
2. The Committee shall:
 - o Set nomination and voting schedules.
 - o Supervise voting and vote counting procedures.
 - o Announce final results and review appeals.
3. Committee decisions become final upon approval by the university administration.

Article (7): Powers of the Union

The Student Union shall:

1. Organize student, cultural, and social activities.
2. Represent students in university councils and committees when applicable.
3. Propose initiatives and projects that enhance student services.
4. Coordinate with university administration regarding student affairs.
5. Submit periodic activity and performance reports to the Department of Student Affairs.

Article (8): Duties of Members

Union members shall:

1. Adhere to university regulations and ethical standards.



2. Participate actively in meetings and activities.
3. Represent all students fairly and impartially.
4. Protect the reputation and interests of Northern Technical University.
5. Promote dialogue, cooperation, and mutual respect among students.

Article (9): Termination of Membership

Membership shall terminate in the following cases:

1. Written resignation.
2. Graduation or withdrawal from the university.
3. Absence from three consecutive meetings without justification.
4. Issuance of disciplinary sanctions.
5. Violation of these regulations or university policies.

Article (10): Amendments

1. Amendments may be proposed by the Student Union or university administration.
2. Amendments shall be adopted upon approval of two-thirds of Union members and ratification by the University President.

Article (11): Final Provisions

1. These regulations enter into force upon approval by the Council of Northern Technical University.
2. The regulations shall be published through official university channels to ensure accessibility.
3. This document serves as the official reference governing Student Union operations, rights, and responsibilities at NTU.

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