



ELECTIONS 2021

SUBJECT CHAIR

Nominations open

4 May to 13 May 

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Candidate Briefing

Subject Chair Elections May 2021

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Art History & Visual Culture

History

Liberal Arts

Medicine

Nursing

Sociology, Philosophy & Anthropology

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Outline

- Why do we have student elections?
- What does the election journey look like?
- How will this election be fair?
- Campaigning

Why do we have Student Elections?

- We are your Students' Guild. We exist to represent you – students – and your interests to the University and beyond.
- Your Guild is democratic at all levels: Full-Time Officers, College Officers, and Subject Chairs.
- This is a unique leadership development opportunity.
- Our main Student Elections were in March; this election is to elect those roles which were not filled the first time round.



What does the election journey look like?

09:00 Tue 4 May – nominations open.

16:00 Thu 13 May – nominations close.

23:00 Sun 16 May – Manifesto deadline.

Tue 18 May – candidates announced.

09:00 Tue 25 May – voting opens.

16:00 Thu 27 May – voting closes.

17:00 Thu 27 May – expenses form deadline.

Evening Thu 27 May – results announced

16:00 Fri 28 May – expenses receipts

How to nominate

Nominate yourself.

Only students in a subject are eligible for that Subject Chair role.

Nominate yourself online via the **Candidate Hub.**

Deadline **16:00 Thu 13 May.**

Help and Support

Anytime: **Candidate Hub**

Daytime: **Voice Team** (email or book a video call)

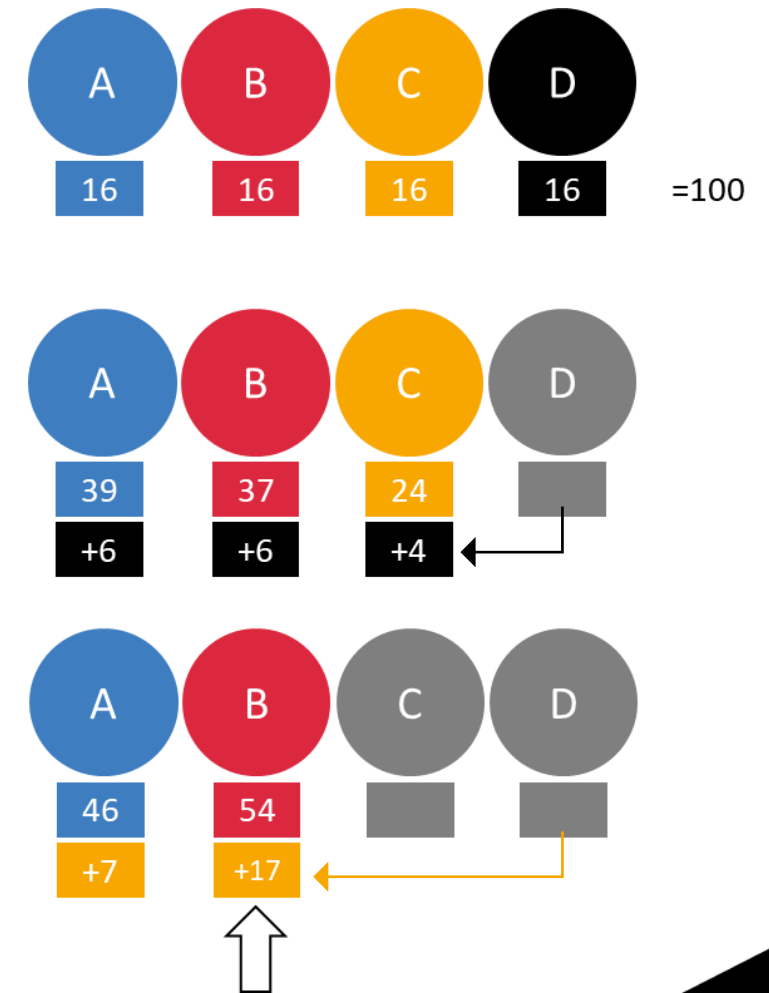
11:30 Fri 14 May – **Candidate Q&A** (optional)

All times are UK time.

Voting

- Online; 09:00 Tue 25 – 16:00 Thu 27 May
- Remember to vote
- You can vote for yourself!
- Rank the candidates in order of preference.
- The winner is whoever gets over 50% of the votes (with last place's votes being re-distributed by second preference until someone gets over 50%)
- RON – Re-open Nominations
- Only (and all) students in your subject can vote for your Subject Chair role.

BALLOT	
Candidate A	2
Candidate B	4
Candidate C	1
Re-open Nominations (RON) - D	3



How will this election be fair?

- Create a framework for fairness:
 - Rules (+complaints)
 - Budgets
 - DRO & RO
- DRO (and RO) ensure election is fair.
- Cooperation, informal resolution. Complaining is not campaigning!

Election Rules (summarised – see Candidate Hub)

1. Candidates AND their campaigners
2. Existing laws and regulations (inc. COVID) still apply!
3. Appropriate behaviour, treat everyone with respect and dignity
4. Follow University staff instructions on campus
5. Only do what others can reasonably do
6. Only move your own materials
7. Lawful use of mailing lists, not Guild's
8. Don't interfere with someone or device when voting
9. Campaign activity approved (online is fine)
10. Don't exceed campaign budget and complete Expenses Form
11. Student Groups and student media

How will this election be fair? ...Budgets

£20

- You must use your Campaign Budget for all campaign expenses. You must not spend more than your Campaign Budget.
- Items freely and readily available to all campaigners do not need to be included as campaign expenses.
- Expenses Form (lists expenses, even if £0) by 17:00 27 May, receipts/evidence 16:00 28 May.
- Let us know if you need budget up-front.

Campaigning Guidance – on the Candidate Hub

HOW TO CAMPAIGN DIGITALLY

HOW TO WRITE A MANIFESTO

HOW TO BE A CANDIDATE

SUPPORT



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