



KINGSTON ELECTIONS 2026

How to nominate yourself

FOR STUDENT OFFICER

Nominations are open from 02/02/26 - 01/03/26.

Visit [KSU Elections](#) → Select 'Post List' → Check eligibility → Select 'Stand'

YOUR MANIFESTO

PART 1: introduce yourself (*max 500 characters*)

- Who are you and why should voters consider voting for you?

PART 2: Manifesto Pledge 1 (*max 750 characters*)

- What is your first manifesto pledge in this election? What is the topic? Who does it affect? What change would you bring about if elected?

PART 3: Manifesto Pledge 2 (*max 750 characters*)

- What is your second manifesto pledge in this election? What is the topic? Who does it affect? What change would you bring about if elected?

PART 4: Manifesto Pledge 3 (*max 750 characters*)

- What is your final manifesto pledge in this election? What is the topic? Who does it affect? What change would you bring about if elected?

PART 5: Summary (*max 500 characters*)

- Complete your manifesto! Reminder voters why they should vote for you and why your manifesto pledges are important.

WHAT ELSE TO INCLUDE?

- Submit a short, catchy slogan to help you stand out (*max 20 words*).
- Upload a photo of yourself. This is what voters will see when they read your manifesto.

You'll be able to edit your manifesto until Sunday 8th March. If you have any issues, contact the KSU Elections Team at representation@kingston.ac.uk



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Other things to consider during the nominations period:

- 1) Make sure you've got Candidate Briefing in your calendar. Attendance is compulsory - Monday 2nd March (4-6PM). A craft session, where you will be able to create some campaign resources, will follow immediately after.
- 2) What social media presence do you want to have? Consider creating an Instagram account, and building eye-catching visuals ready to post when Campaigning Week begins on 9th March.
- 3) Are you going to record videos, to help raise your profile and the manifesto pledges that you're standing on? How are you going to get students seeing these?
- 4) There will be a Candidate Hustings during Campaigning Week. This will be your opportunity to stand next to other candidates and answer key questions from the student body.
- 5) Have you read the [Elections Rules & Regulations](#), and do you understand them?
- 6) Struggling to finish your manifesto? You can continue editing this until 8th March. And look out for the KSU Members' Manifesto, which we will be launching in mid-February! This is being designed to give you the best intel into the student body we have, and you are more than welcome to use parts of this to help build your own manifesto.