



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

Election to the Senate and to the Students' Council by the Members of the General Council of the Kerala University Union, 2025-26

NOTIFICATION

No. Election/S/SC/2025-26

It is hereby notified that the following elections will be held according to the principle of proportional representation by means of single transferable vote and in accordance with the procedure prescribed by the Statutes and in accordance with the guidelines framed in the report of the Lyngdoh Committee on elections in Colleges/Universities as approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

1. Election of ten (10) members to the **Senate** by the members of the General Council of the Kerala University Union from among full-time students of whom one shall be a post-graduate student, one shall be a research scholar, one shall be a student of a professional college and one shall be a lady student (Under Section 17 – Elected Members (12) of the Kerala University Act, 1974).
2. Election of ten (10) members to the **Students' Council**, not being members of the Senate or the Academic Council, by the members of the General Council of the Kerala University Union from among themselves, of whom two shall be women (Under Section 29 (2) – Elected Members (a) of the Kerala University Act, 1974).

The electoral roll of the members of the General Council of the Kerala University Union for the above elections has been published by the University. Only persons whose names are on the Electoral Roll published on 16.02.2026 and subsequently modified on 24.02.2026 are eligible to take part in the elections and to vote there at subject to the provisions contained in the Kerala University Act, 1974 and the Statues framed thereunder.

Every elector is at liberty to nominate one duly qualified person to fill up each seat. Every such nomination shall contain the consent of the nominee in writing agreeing to serve the concerned body, if elected and the declaration of the Principal of the institution.

Nominations and declaration shall be made in the prescribed form, copies of which can be had free of cost, from the office of the Registrar as well as from the University website. Nominations along with declaration shall reach the Registrar not later than **2.30 p.m.** on **11.03.2026**. The envelope containing the nomination paper shall be superscribed "Nomination for election to the(here mention the body) by the members of the General Council of the Kerala University Union 2025-26".

The polling of votes for the above elections will be held from **10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. on 18.03.2026** at the University Buildings, Thiruvananthapuram. Each voter (University Union Councillor) has to produce the identity card issued to him/her by the University. Those who fail to produce the identity cards will not be issued the ballot paper for the poll.

The following is the programme for the conduct of the elections:

1	Last date and hour for the receipt of nominations	<u>11.03.2026</u> Wednesday	02.30 pm
2	Date and hour fixed for scrutiny of nominations	<u>11.03.2026</u> Wednesday	02.35 pm
3.	Date of publication of provisional list of candidates validly nominated for election	<u>11.03.2026</u> Wednesday	
4.	Last date and hour fixed for withdrawal of candidature	<u>13.03.2026</u> Friday	12 Noon
5.	Date of publication of final list of candidates	<u>13.03.2026</u> Friday	
6.	Date and time fixed for the poll in the University Office	<u>18.03.2026</u> Wednesday	10.00 am to 1.00 pm.
7.	Date and time fixed for the scrutiny and counting of votes in the University Office, Thiruvananthapuram.	<u>18.03.2026</u> Wednesday	02.00 pm onwards

Every elector entitled to vote at the election, shall have as many preference as there are candidates. An elector may indicate in the ballot paper the order of his preferences by placing the figure 1, 2, 3 etc. against the names of candidates who represent respectively his first, second, third etc. choices.

A Ballot paper shall be invalid and rejected.

1. If it does not bear the initials of the Returning Officer.
2. If the voter signs his name or writes any word or makes any mark by which the identity of the voter becomes recognizable.
3. If the figure 1 is not marked.
4. If the figure 1 is set opposite the name of more than one candidate or is so marked as to render it doubtful as to which candidate it is intended to apply.
5. If the figure 1 and some other figure are set opposite the name of the same candidate.

No person shall be present at the scrutiny and counting of votes except the Returning Officer, the staff and the candidates concerned or not more than one authorized representative of each candidate appointed by him in writing and accepted by the Returning Officer.

By Order of the Vice-Chancellor,

University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram,
Date: 24.02.2026

Sd/-
Registrar(i/c)/Returning Officer