



**MASENO UNIVERSITY
DIRECTORATE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS**

From: SOMU Returning Officers

Date: 20th September 2023

To: ALL STUDENTS

Ref: MSU/DSA/EL/87

**RE: DECLARATION OF POSITIONS IN SOMU FOR THE 2023/2024 ACADEMIC
YEAR**

Pursuant to Chapter 6 and articles 17,37 and 41 of the amended SOMU constitution, the SOMU Electoral Commission wishes to invite applications for the following positions in SOMU for the 2023/2024 Academic Year.

STUDENT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (SEC)

1. Chairperson and running mate (Vice-Chairperson who shall be of opposite gender). The two shall run on one ticket.
2. Secretary General who shall be Secretary to Council.
3. Treasurer.
4. Member of Council for campuses and learning centers (except Main Campus).
5. Member of Council for persons with special needs (PWD), gender, minorities and cultural heritage who **must be a registered person living with disability**.
6. Member of Council for Games and Entertainment.

ELECTORAL COLLEGE DELEGATES (ECD)

The Electoral College is based on University academic programmes, where each college shall elect three delegates who should not all be of the same gender. The elected delegates will constitute an Electoral College that shall elect the seven members of the SEC. **NB:** The Electoral College is dissolved once the SEC is elected and sworn in.


The list of vacant ECD positions is attached.

Nomination forms should be downloaded from the University website, and the duly completed forms returned to the Electoral Commission, based at the Directorate of Student Affairs, on or before **27th September 2023, NOT LATER THAN 5.00 p.m.** Applicants in Kisumu and Odera Akang'o Campuses should submit their nomination forms to the Office of the Director, Kisumu Campus, and Director, Odera Akang'o Campus on or before **27th September, 2023, NOT LATER THAN 5.00 pm.**



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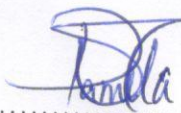
1. 27th September 2023: Submission of nomination forms by 5.00 pm.
2. 9th October, 2023: Release of list of cleared candidates.
3. 11th October, 2023: Receipt of Appeals (if any).
4. 26th October 2023: Election of College Delegates between 8:00 am and 2:00pm.
5. 27th October 2023: Election of the SEC between 8:00 am and 11: 00 am
6. 30th October 2023: Swearing – In at 9.00 am.



Prof. David Mutisya Musyimi
Returning Officer

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MASENO UNIVERSITY



Dr. Pamela Oloo
Deputy Returning Officer



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3. DEAN OF SCHOOL

i) Students cumulative grade

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ii) Student Cumulative marks

Above 60%	<input type="text"/>	Below 60%	<input type="text"/>
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Indicate the Number of Resists the student has to date

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4. HOSTELS OFFICER

a) Indicate whether the student has had any conduct problems in the hostels.

Yes	No
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b) Indicate whether the student has previously been removed from the Hostels

Yes	No
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5. SECURITY OFFICER

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Yes	No
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ii) Does the student have any pending disciplinary case?

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ARTICLE 36: Qualifications for Election to the SEC

To qualify for election to the SEC, an aspirant must –

- a) Be a citizen of the republic of Kenya;
- b) If seeking a position other than campus chairperson, be nominated by Two hundred and Fifty members whose nominations of the member shall be verified in conformity with Article 71(g);
- c) If seeking the position of Council Secretary for Campuses
 - (i) Be nominated by Two hundred members whose nominations of the member shall be verified in conformity with Article 71(g);
 - (ii) Be a student studying at the respective campus he/she
Seeks to serve as Campus Chairperson;
- d) Have at least three semesters left for study with a minimum of fourteen units;
- e) Have based on the available grades in the member's transcripts, an average grade of B in the programme being undertaken,
- f) Have completed at least two semesters with a full load of academic study totaling at least fourteen units;

ARTICLE 36: Disqualifications for Election to the SEC

- 1) A member is disqualified for election to the SEC if at the time for election he/she:
 - a) Has ever been suspended from the University and the suspension has not been revoked;
 - b) Is a candidate for the seat of congressional area or entity;
 - c) Is a member of the Electoral Commission of Maseno university;
 - d) Has previously been removed from office for violation of this Constitution;
 - e) Has received more than two warning letters from the University for contravening the provisions governing the student conduct as contained in its Statutes, Regulations, Joining Instructions, or current Students Guide, Handbook on General Information and Conduct on Campus or any subsequent student guides that replace it;
 - f) Has been convicted of a criminal offense by a court of law in the Republic of Kenya or other nation;
 - g) Has received an academic warning within the last two semesters.

ARTICLE 10.8: Election Offenses

- 1) The Electoral Commission shall disqualify a candidate from election for any of the following offenses committed by the candidate him/herself or systematically carried out by his/her election team –
 - i) Rigging/attempting to rig
 - ii) Use of physical force;
 - iii) Intimidation and harassment;
 - iv) Sorcery and magic;
 - v) Bribery;
 - vi) Giving false and malicious information/forgery
 - vii) Mounting campaign posters for any candidate outside places designated for such posters;
 - viii) Verbal abuse;

- ix) Foul language;
- x) Slurs based on ethnicity, religion gender, mode of study;
- xi) Drunkenness and rowdiness;
- xii) Unauthorized vehicular processions inside and outside campus;
- xiii) Campaigning before the official campaign period;
- xiv) Provocative and incendiary attacks on the Statutes, Regulations and Policies of the University;
- xv) Defamation of any member of the University community;
- xvi) Receipt of funding from political parties and interest groups
- xvii) Failure to execute constitutional duties as a delegate upon elections
- xviii) Blackmail

- 2) If the Electoral Commission convicts a winning candidate of a campaign offense, then it shall declare the seat vacant and call for a by-election.

Successful delegates who will participate in voting of the Executive Council shall be eligible to an honorarium of Ksh.2000 (two thousand)

From the list of proposers please indicate your 2 agents with a tick.

I certify that the foregoing information is correct. I accept to abide by the Rules and Regulations governing the behavior of duly nominated candidates.

NAME: **SIGN (of agent)** **DATE**

NAME..... **SIGN (of agent)** **DATE**

I agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations governing SOMU Election, SOMU Constitution and the University Rules and Regulations.

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NAME: *LAST NAME* *FIRST NAME* *MIDDLE NAME*

VETTING BOARD

Indicate whether the student has met all the Election requirements

Yes
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No
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Cleared ☐

Not cleared ☐

Comments

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ii) Does the student have any pending disciplinary case?

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ARTICLE 17: Qualifications for Election as an Electoral College Delegate

- 1) A member is qualified for election to the electoral college if at any time for election he/she –
 - a) Is a citizen of the Republic of Kenya;
 - b) Is registered in the electoral college or entity he/she seeks to represent;
 - c) Is nominated by twenty members from within the electoral college or entity, and nominations shall be verified according to the procedures stipulated in Article 62 section 1 subsection g;

ARTICLE 18: Disqualification for Election to Electoral College

- 1) A member is disqualified for election to congress if at any time for election he/she –
 - a) Has been suspended from the University and the suspension has not been reinstated;
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 - c) Has previously been removed from office for violation of this Constitution;
 - d) Has received more than two warning letters from the University for contravening the provisions governing the student conduct as contained in its Statutes, Regulations, Joining Instructions, or current Students Guide, Handbook on General Information and Conduct on Campus or any subsequent student guides that replace it;
 - e) Has been convicted of a criminal offense by a court of law in the Republic of Kenya or any other nation;
 - f) Has received an academic warning within the last two semesters;
 - g) Is contesting for a position in the student's executive council (SEC).

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VETTING BOARD

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Comments

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