



Endorsing and Campaigning for a Candidate as a Member of Student-Staff

All Lancaster University students are able to do four things during our annual elections:

1. Vote,
2. Nominate themselves,
3. Publicly endorse a candidate*,
4. Campaign in support of a candidate*.

*unless they sit on the Students' Union's Trustee Board & only during the campaign period.

Those who are **not students** cannot vote, nominate themselves, engage in campaigning, or endorse a candidate.

If you are a student who also undertakes work for the University, Students' Union or another body: you **can** still vote, nominate yourself, engage in campaigning, and endorse a candidate. However, you cannot do this whilst undertaking your staff role.

Endorsements:

- You **cannot** endorse a candidate within your capacity as a staff member, i.e. *"I am a student ambassador and I will be voting for Candidate A"*.
- You **can** endorse a candidate within your status as a student or within your capacity as a volunteer within the Students'

Union, i.e. *“I am President of Badminton and I will be voting for Candidate A”*.

- For the avoidance of doubt, any content that you post (or a candidate posts with your involvement or endorsement) is allowed to be published and live whilst you are working.

Campaigning:

- You **cannot** campaign or advocate for a candidate whilst undertaking your staff role, i.e. you cannot encourage students to vote for Candidate A whilst serving drinks in The Sugarhouse.
- You can campaign or advocate for a candidate any other time during the campaigning period.

The application of election rules is the responsibility of the Students' Union. Any concerns about breaches of the rules, should be referred to the Students' Union to take or recommend action.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to email lancastersuelections@lancaster.ac.uk