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Editorial

Dear Students,

it's time again: in a few days elections are taking place at the Technical University of Darmstadt. During the past years, the polls were very low for certain faculties and little interest was given to the election newspaper. But despite all of this, we are not going to discourage ourselves and we believe in the political right of students. For this reason, we created again an election newspaper that is going to give you all the information you need so that on election day you know who and what you are voting for. Following you will get information on the different political and student bodies and their duties and team. Moreover, the student political groups will introduce themselves and their goals. Our aim is to give you as much information as possible on the political environment at the Technical University of Darmstadt so that you know who to vote for. We hope you enjoy reading the newspaper and don't forget the University Elections!

Your AStA TU Darmstadt

University Elections at TU Darmstadt

Why vote?

During your studies, you are spending a lot of time within the premises of the university. You are visiting lectures, seminars, tutorials, internships and colloquia. You are eating at the Mensa, are active in a sports group or involved in a student group or a political student committee. It doesn't matter what you are doing at the university. The fact is that university politics has a big influence on the life and learning conditions at the university. If food at the Mensa are affordable yet of good quality and tasty, if there is enough affordable living space for students in Darmstadt, if there are enough seating places in lectures and if examination conditions are fair and adequate - all of this and much more are political problems that university political committees react to. However how problems are being faced and dealt with depends highly on the elected representatives. The first step to shape the policies at the university is by voluntarily engaging yourself in student groups or political student committees. However, you don't have time then take the chance at least once a year and go vote and change the path of university politics. You just need to go to the Mensa during the period of 11.06. and 14.06.2018, take your election papers and make your tick. Your vote counts! You can decide who will be political active for one year at the most important committees at the university.

Information

Where, When and What do I vote for?

In this article you can find a summary of the most important information on the university elections 2018. Which bodies are to be elected? How does the vote work? When does it take place? Where to vote?

Where and when does the vote take place?

This year the university elections will take place from the 11th to 14th of June 2018. The polling stations where you can vote if you didn't take the postal vote, are placed at the cafeteria "Mensa Stadtmitte (Otto-Berndt-Halle)" and at the „Hörsaal- und Medienzentrum Lichtwiese (L4|02)". The polling stations are open from 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. You need to bring your photo identification (passport) and your student ID in any case to make your choice.

What is going to be elected?

University Assembly:

You can vote for the 15 seats for the students of the university assembly. The university assembly of the TU Darmstadt takes care of an air which are of fundamental interest for the university. To this belong statements on questions of principle regarding the development of the university, for teaching and studying and for scientific qualified trainees.

Department Council

Also the representatives of the department council will be elected. The department council deals with affairs which are of fundamental interest for the department and not under the competence of the deanery. Therefore, it is the highest body of the departments and decides on the study regulations, regulatory statutes of examination regulations, appointment of the board of review for professorship applicants, application of funds for the department including the appropriations and the appointment of the board of examiners. For the departments 1, 2, 4, 7, 13 and 16 there will be elected students each on the department council and for the departments 3, 5, 10, 11, 15, 18 and 20 will be elected 3 students each.

The joint commissions of the areas of studies

Also the members of the joint commissions of areas of studies will be elected. For Computational Engineering (CE) and Mechanics students will be elected and for Informationssystemtechnik (IST), Mechatronics and Energy Science 2 students each.

Students' parliament

For the students' parliament 31 new members will be elected. The students' parliament of the TU Darmstadt is the highest body of the student body and is elected once a year. It is also responsible for the election and voting out of the students' executive committee and the budget of the student body.

Student Department Council

Last but not least the new representatives of the Student Department Council will be elected. They are elected in this matter: In the departments 1, 2, 3, 16, 18 and 20 there will be elected 9 students each, in the departments 4, 13 and 15 will be elected 7 students

each, in the departments 5, 7, 10 and 11 will be elected 5 students each and in the departments CE, Mechanics, IST and Mechatronics will be elected 3 students each.

Deanery of the institutes

The scientific members and the administrative-technical members of university will be vote for the deanery of the institutes the same time.

Principle of Solidarity

The principle of solidarity is a fundamental component of student self-government. To begin with, solidarity is a basic principle of social interaction in which mutual support and assistance stands in focus. Thus, it represents the direct opposite to the principle of competition, in which the individual good is the reference point and not the public good. In the student body the solidarity principle is especially applied on the semester fee, for example in form of contributions to the semester ticket for public transport, free entrance to Staatstheater Darmstadt and the fee for Studierendenwerk Darmstadt, and for a while now additionally in form of fees for the bike rental "Call a Bike". Even if not all students make use of the possibilities to the same degree, if at all, this is where the principle of solidarity takes effect by supporting those depending on it, not being able to pay the expenses individually, made possible by everybody paying the same amount, by the way resulting in low priced conditions.

Election Programs 2018

The opinions presented on the following pages may not conform to the opinions of the Executive student committee (AStA) of the TU Darmstadt. The political groups are responsible for every information.



CampusGrüne

The green group at TU Darmstadt

CampusGrüne HSG is a political student group, founded over 20 years ago. We stand up for participation rights of all students. Our activities are focused on sustainability, self-determination and transparency, equality, diversity and inclusion.

We will advocate your interests at Universitätsversammlung, student parliament and in many other committees of the university.

Currently, we are the largest faction in student parliament. We achieved plenty of our aims in the last few years. Especially RMV-Semesterticket, Call-A-Bike-System and the support of the student businesses (i.e. Schlosskeller & 806qm) was and is important to us.

With your support we will aim to attain our following agenda:

Mobility and fierce housing situation

A green city needs green mobility/public transportation. Besides new bike trails, a greater public transportation to and from the campus Lichtwiese

and Landwehrstraße, the integration of Aschaffenburg, Mannheim and Heidelberg into the Semesterticket is essential in order to have a better mobility and housing situation in Darmstadt.

There are more than a thousand missing apartments. Due to our engagement the city council and the owner have started negotiations. Moreover, we demand more reasonable priced housing in other committees as well.

Quality food in our canteens

Our canteens should provide affordable meals while keeping the quality in mind. We demand regional as well as seasonal ingredients and products from fair trade. Within the AK Mensa and attending the Verwaltungsrat of Studierendenwerk, we plead for a fresh preparation of all meals, additional vegetarian/vegan dishes und a higher percentage of organic ingredients.

Cultural offers for Students

As a Tu Darmstadt student you are already enabled to get a free ticket to almost all events of the Staatstheater. We want to foster such cooperation! For the future we aim at more free options for cultural programs in Darmstadt and surrounding areas. To archive this goal, we initiated dialogues with the city council of Darmstadt and we support the autonomous business Schlosskeller, Schlossgarten and the 60,3 qm.

Internationalization and Language(offerings)

9 am: start of the language class registration. Minutes later all spots are taken. This is not acceptable! Only adequate language skills enable to a cultural exchange within the students (and over). That's the reason/ that's why we demand free language classes for everyone!

The CampusGrünen will bring those topics into the Senat, the Universitätsversammlung and other committees.

Self-determined living and learning

We demand that all students can determine their study themselves. To meet that demand, we extension of the E-learning-offers and the class-recording for all basic classes. We also refuse to compulsory attendance. The class quality should be the appealing factor for the attendance.

In all committees we aim at a more intense and more individual supervision, comprehensive half-time-study, more election possibilities within the study Regulations as well as more time to engage with the study contents! We are there for you in the AStA as well. We will support you in legal concerns and other study related topics today and in the future!

Reconcilability of studies with varying external circumstances

Few Students are able to get their degree without their BAföG running out. In result, nearly all of them have to pay their expenses themselves, which is time consuming and causes a good deal of additional stress. Same goes for students with children, who may find it hard to find time for their studies at all. Also, students with a handicap should be able to access our campus as well as everybody else. The often-assumed image of a carefree student won't withstand reality. That's why we speak up for a consistent support of students in stressful situations.

For a non-discriminatory university!

We stand up for acceptance and diversity at the TU Darmstadt. We are committed to raise our voice for all queer (lesbian, gay, bi, trans*, intersexual) students and all who can't identify with rigid categories of sexual

orientation or gender. In the AStA and at the whole university, we offer our assistance with questions and problems related to queer studying. Further we promote queer events as long as advanced training for lecturers and students regarding a respectful, non-discriminatory and aware interaction among one another.

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FACHWERK

The list of the Fachschaften at TU Darmstadt. Since 1990.

FOR FREE EDUCATION AND SELF- DETERMINED STUDIES!



We are a political group at TU Darmstadt. We do not represent any sort of party political interests, but the diverse positions and political mindsets of all our members regarding the betterment of university life.

FACHWERK is operated by students for students, and we regularly talk to students' department councils, university groups and student initiatives to identify the areas which require scaling up.

Our election program:
www.fachwerkhouse.de



Jusos and Independent

We are a group of students from different faculties who are political active at the university and beyond it. We are united in our political aim based on three basic values: Freedom, Justice and solidarity.



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Education

Education is the key to a just society. We believe every person should be able to access education irrespective of parental income or wealth and unnecessary admission rules at universities. This means that everyone should have the opportunity to start and successfully graduate from a university. In this regard we consider university as a place where all students are eligible to individual and timely unlimited learning processes without any rigid requirements such as mandatory attendance, obliged exams registration and normal studying periods. Only like this, a study process with self-determination, self-organization and success is possible. As part of the university, we, of course, want to have a say and shape the university of tomorrow and therefore, demand to better

integrate students in the decision process at the university, at faculties and at institutes. Working conditions for

student assistants

Teaching and research at universities are relying on the work force of students. They support teaching staff by preparing lectures, give tutorials, work at the library and at counseling centers, supervise exams and much more. However, students at the university are not granted elementary rights of employees. For example, often salary isn't paid during sickness of the student or righteous holiday leave isn't given. Further-more, almost all students are employed for short periods but still for the same job (precarity) and they are not represented by the personnel council. It is important to bring to attention these grievances and eliminate them. Students are working normally and are obliged to pay into the social insurances and therefore, need to be protected by labor agreements as in Berlin, for example.

Housing

Besides overcrowded seminars and lectures there is another problematic topic that needs to be addressed in particular: There is not enough affordable student housing. For many students this means, that they start out their studies without a place to stay, have to live far away from campus or pay high rents. Frequently, students are stuck in these unsatisfying conditions. And especially for international students it is even harder to find a room in the private housing market. In our understanding the university campus is a central element of student life. The problems for students not being able to live close to campus include the difficulty of balancing going to lectures and taking part in the social life outside of lecture hall which is an important aspect too during study life. Affordable rooms are needed instead of luxurious student apartments. Therefore,

we will continue to demand the City of Darmstadt, the Studierendenwerk and the state of Hessen to invest intensely into the construction of social and affordable housing.

For an international university

We take a strong stance against right wing ideas in today's society. Right wing radicalism appears in the university environment in different forms: revisionist educational content, lecturers sympathizing with the far right or far right-wing candidates for student election. We stand for an open and tolerant university environment. Therefore, we fight against anti-Semitic and right-wing tendencies at the academic and student self-administration as well as in cooperation with local initiatives.

We are called 'Jusos and Independent': on one hand we are politically close to Jusos but on the other hand we are an independent and separate student association who pursue non-party bound goals, and anyone can work with us who share our goals and values.

During the university elections, many different events are planned on campus. So, if you have questions or would like to join us, just talk to us. For more information please look up our Facebook page and our web-site: jusos-tud.de

Linke Liste SDS

Linke Liste – SDS

We stand for a fair university and good education for everyone. That is why we have clear demands for university policy at the TU Darmstadt:

- **Compulsory attendance** hinders students from self-determined learning. Attendance is not an accomplishment and does not mean that the subject of the seminars or lectures is understood. On top of that, attendance lists are no replacement for good teaching. Therefore, we want to abolish compulsory attendance as it only restricts students.
- We demand that **exams** with a failure rate of over 35% not be counted. With such high quotas the problem is not to be found with the students, but rather with the fundamentally flawed teaching methods. Teaching which does not match the exam requirements or exams which are far too difficult are not acceptable. Taking an exam in the third try is unnecessarily nerve-wracking and contradicts self-

determined learning. Hence, we want to abolish the **limitation of examination attempts**.

- In Darmstadt **housing** is very limited and expensive. Even in the student dorms the rent is far too high. Therefore, we want to limit rent in student dorms to the 'BAföG Wohnpauschale' of 250€ because everyone should be able to afford housing.
- We want to improve the **Call a bike** system and the **RMV-Semesterticket**. The newly enacted "Schülerticket" is a good starting point for renegotiations of the "Semesterticket". We want to connect the edges of our current system like Kassel, Aschaffenburg, or Heidelberg, while lowering the cost.
- In Baden-Württemberg college tuition has been brought back for Non-EU-citizens. In the NRW elections parties were demanding the introduction of **college tuition** before the last elections. We position ourselves against any form of college tuition and are committed to fighting against the reintroduction of college tuition not just in Hesse, but in all of Germany!
- We want to improve the working conditions for **student workers (Hiwis)**. A lot of Hiwis are financially dependent on their job and need more financial security. Therefore, we demand an own collective bargaining agreement and open-ended contracts for all Hiwis.

For us, student interests do not end with activity in student committees. We have a clear **feminist and anti-fascist political identity**. For the third year in a row, we are organizing a series of events. For the second year in a row, we will discuss the rise of right-wing ideologies and movements in Germany and Europe and shed light on the dangers of such movements. The participation of an allegedly independent list of fraternity students

and AfD politicians in the StuPa elections is an indicator for the extent and relevance of the right-wing problem.

On top of that we bring political talking points into the StuPa. We petitioned against the surveillance of the Luisenplatz and occupational ban at universities. In the context of controversy around VG Wort we advocated for a free access to teaching materials.

The Linke Liste – SDS is an open, leftist list for everybody who wants to engage in emancipatory politics at the university. We are a mixed group of political activists, panel participants and political neophytes; a group of engineering, humanities, and science students.



DU - Die Unabhängigen

We are consciously independent of federal political parties and do not cooperate with them. The students in Darmstadt are our priority and we are not interested in politicians in Berlin. With your vote we aim to achieve the following goals during the next electoral term:

Reduction of monthly salaries and allowances for AStA and StuPa chairmen

As you may know, the student parliament has a part of the tuition fees you pay each semester at its disposal. However, we find the decisions the student parliament has made in the past, regarding allowances for volunteers, highly problematic. There is a clear upward trend in these reimbursements and the overall budget of the AStA, starting at 100,000€ in 2016, rising to 135,000€ in 2017 and now 160,000€ in 2018.

Last year we unfortunately had to watch how the SDS, the Jusos and the Campusgrünen paved the way to increase allowances of AStA chairmen to 800€ (compared to ~700€ in Frankfurt and ~450€ in Stuttgart) as well as for the chairmen in the StuPa, rising from 30 € to 100 € per meeting.

In our opinion, this no longer qualifies as voluntary work.

Unfortunately, the parties responsible have failed to mention this in their election program so far.

We do not want to make the same mistake and assure that we want to reverse the trend and ensure more money for cool projects and not for unemployed university politicians.

Restrict combined exams

Combined exams such as Business Administration I and II for industrial engineers and business IT specialists should be abolished. It is unfair that students have to retrieve the content of two entire modules in a single written examination. Furthermore, students that do not pass one of the two parts of the exam fail the entire exam and have to retake it.

We therefore demand the exam to be divided into two separate examinations, one per module. The TU trains some of the best industrial engineers in Germany, which the abolition of combined exams will not change. They should not have to deal with unnecessary obstacles like these.

Lectures/Workshops

As you already know, deciding what your money is spent on is an essential part of the tasks of university politics. Part of the budget is allocated to lectures/workshops. We do not need political lectures at university (Have you ever been to one?). We want to give students the opportunity to register for proper seminars, teaching them useful soft skills such as rhetorical skills, leadership skills, presentation techniques etc., which will help them in their professional life. Professional speakers can also issue corresponding certificates of participation, which can upgrade a curriculum vitae extremely.

Finally, we would like to state that we want to implement politics by students and for students, excluding political parties from university politics. Higher education politics should serve the sole purpose of representing

students and should not be used to resolve non-university conflicts. In the current composition of the student parliament we do not see this as given.

We hope that you decide to vote for us. But even if you do not, please participate in the vote! The turnout is a little depressing (~15%) every year. Hopefully we can do better this time.



Why vote for LHG?

- More e-books for the ULB
- Expansion of the digital teaching
- Transparency in the StuPa/AStA
- Creation of a career center for students
- Expansion of the language center

About us:

MORE FREEDOM AT THE TU DARMSTADT

The Liberal Students Group (LHG) at the TU Darmstadt stands for liberty, tolerance and reason in the students parliament (StuPa). We are an association of students and staff at the TU that are connected through the liberal idea. The basis for our actions are always the dialog not the protest and open-mindedness instead of closed-mindedness. Good solutions mature always in a reasoned - often though - discussion with different opinions. Therefore we are always open for dialog and questions from stakeholders, supporters and critics. In order to realize our demands

we need your vote

for the university elections from the 11th to the 14th of July 2018!

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Die PARTEI

Hochschulgruppe

Dear Students, Dear Stimmvieh,

Probably you're asking yourself what this magazine is about, which has your roommate left on the kitchen table. But maybe you're asking yourself even more what university elections are and why are they important for me. Don't care about these questions because we all know that there are much more important questions. For example, where you can get your next my next maté tea. How you know yourself it is not important what you think but what you do.

So: VOTE OR DIE!

And that you can finally do a good deed, we bring you a joyous message! During the next University elections, you can throw your worthless vote away. But this time in style.

The Party "THE PARTY" ... ok this joke only works in german... so the party "Die PARTEI" (**Partei für Arbeit, Rechtsstaat, Tierschutz, Elitenförderung und basisdemokratische Initiative**) has finally reached the TU Darmstadt. In good old german tradition the coup d'état can only reached with universities. So, it is past time that the PARTEI should move into the Stupa, yes have to.

When you ask who we are: We are not left or right, we are the extreme middle. We were the Grey Block. We are the group of sanity and reason. We are your friendly neighborhood Spiderman. We are new and fresh. Mia san Mia or, for short, we are the PARTEI.

If you have also no idea what you can do with the other election programs like us or do you think your view is not represented in the parliament or in other student-run groups. Do not panic dear long-term student* We have the right election program for you:

(Insert here your own right election program)

Your advert could appear here soon!

Did we have convinced you? Of course, we have!

Now you asking what you have left to do? You have to go to the vote during the 11. of June until the 14. of June. Yes, we know, that we are requiring a lot of you, because you want to lie in the sun this week.... Oh sorry of course we meant to learn at home or to write your thesis ;-). To motivate yourself a bit more we have a little hint for you: If you will made the hard and burdensome way to the university for voting, you can go to the canteen and have a great meal there. (Comment of the gourmet wing of Die PARTEI: The last joke exceeds the limit of satire). When you find the way to the polling booth the last thing you have to do is to ignore all the other parties. You have to scroll down with your pencil until you reach the end of the ballot paper and make your cross there.

REMEMBER: The last party on the ballot!

That is our service for you to make it easier for you to find us during the vote. Your welcome!

Vote those, who did not want to make crucial decisions in a parliament where anybody could not make crucial decisions!

Vote Die PARTEI! We are very good!

*According to opinion polls of the PARTEI research group long term students did not go to vote anyway, because of the learning distress (Bologna Process 1: Democratically Society 0).

Assembly of the University (UV)

31 professors
15 students
10 scientific associates
5 admin.-techn. associates

The UV is concerned with issues which underlie on basic decision of university life. For example to give a comment on questions of principle about the construction of university, the lecture and young academics.

votes

Chairmanship

1 president
4 vice presidents
1 chancellor

Students Parliament

31 Students

wählt

Students Union Executive Committee (AStA)

~ 6 selected secretaries
~ 25 employed secretaries
commercial secretaries:
603qm, Schlosskeller,
Schlossgarten, Papierladen.

The AStA is the executive students organ. It is the government and administration of the constituted student's body. Furthermore the AStA represents the interests of all students.

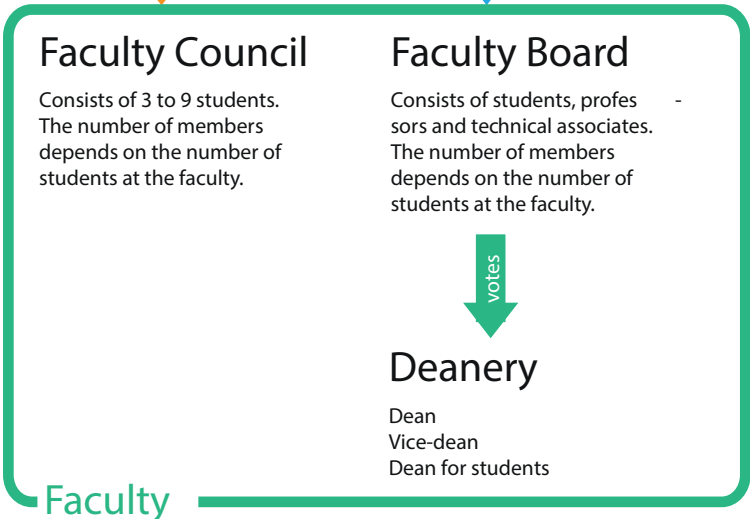
Council of Higher Education

Der The Council of Higher Education has the initiative-right in basic issues and a controlling function. It consists of 10 external members. Each half are recommended by the chairmanship of the university and the federal government of Hesse

Students

vote

on the level of student-self-administration
and on the level of academic administration



Faculty Council

Consists of 3 to 9 students.
The number of members depends on the number of students at the faculty.

Faculty Board

Consists of students, professors and technical associates.
The number of members depends on the number of students at the faculty.



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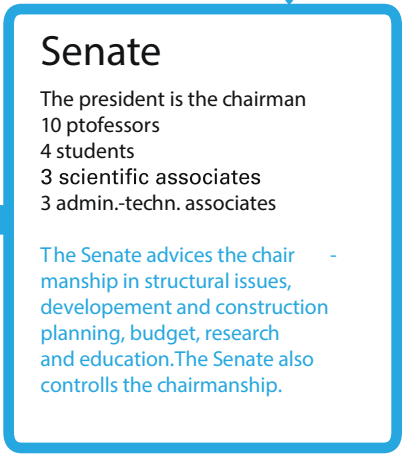
Dean
Vice-dean
Dean for students

Faculty



Committees of the Senate

- central QSL-Commission
- committee for studies and apprenticeship
- committee for structure and budget
- ethics commission
- scientific committee
- quality management advisory council



Senate

The president is the chairman
10 professors
4 students
3 scientific associates
3 admin.-techn. associates

The Senate advises the chairmanship in structural issues, development and construction planning, budget, research and education. The Senate also controls the chairmanship.



Committees and Councils

self-administrative student committees

Student Parliament

The Student Parliament is the highest council of the students' union. Every year in summer, all the registered students of TU Darmstadt elect 31 student representatives to StuPa. Various parties contest in the election, which send their candidates to the parliament according to a sequence. The main job of the Student Parliament is to elect the Executive Committee of the Students' Union (AStA) and to monitor its work likewise to legislate the budgeting. In the monthly meetings, the StuPa hears the report of the AStA representatives, comments towards or against it, accepts other kinds of work. Moreover, the StuPa sends student representatives to the administrative committee of the Studentwerk and can hence in the various consultation offers, the food prices in the Mensa, hostel rents etc. These are just an extract of the work done. Who is more interested to know more, is cordially invited to the monthly sessions of the Student Parliament. It is open for the guests also. At the beginning of the parliamentary session, the guests get the opportunity to place questions about the functioning of the StuPa and participate actively. The dates for the parliamentary sessions are advertised through the homepage of AStA and also through circulars.

AStA

The Executive Committee of the students' union (AStA) is elected from Student Parliament and is the direct representative of all the students in

the University. It consists of the elected members from the StuPa and the directly appointed referents who are voluntarily active. The work of the AStA is diverse and leads the work of the student union. According to the constitution of the student union, the work is defined as:

- Representation of all its members in the legal framework
- Administer the political interest in university of its members
- Administer the economy and social interests of students. The responsibilities of the Studentenwerk (StuWe) or other agencies and bodies stays inviolate.
- Maintenances of interregional and inter-national student relationships.
- Promoting political education and sense of responsibility of students for their role as citizens. This includes the promotion of a scientist proofed and critical understanding of students for their current and future activities and the role of science and technology in society.
- Promotion of cultural and musical interests of students.

Even if this sounds all very theoretical are the possibilities and services very practical. AStA offers many different consulting services for free, promotes projects and groups inside university and provides the international student card (ISIC), negotiates with the RMV on the semester ticket for public transport, runs different own business like the 603qm, Schlosskeller, Schlossgarten and the Papierladen and offers a car rent for students. All this are direct offers for you as students. AStA is also engaged in university policies and interacts with the regional and federal government for better study conditions for students. Not only problems like overfull curricula and full seminars are issues of negotiations but also housing shortage, high rents, bad transport connections and so on. The work of the student body and therefor also

AStA work is financed by the contribution of all students at university. In summer semester 2018 it amounts 12.50€.

Student council

As a student you are agitated to the student department council of your department, because all students of a department are part of the student council. Colloquial you understand the active students under the term student council "Fachschaft", who are working for better studying conditions and provide different offers to their fellow students. The student department council "Fachschaftsrat" is voted once a year to determine the official legitimized representatives of the student council. University provides an extra room for the student councils. In this room the most meetings take place.

Academic Councils

Senate

Job description: Basic issues concerning the structure, development and construction planning, budgeting, research, teaching and study areas, scientific talents, information management likewise quality control. The Senate monitors the management of the executive committee of the University. It decides the overall examination rules, doctoral and postdoctoral positions, the composition of the Senate affairs, the Senate-delegated recruitment process in agreement with the Executive Committee of the University and various consulting options for students. It must, of all, agree to the Constitution, admission and the conduct of study programmes, examinations, doctoral and post-doctoral related rules. It takes stance on the target agreement, quality management, structure and development plans in the budget planning, investments and allocation of budgets, suggestions of the faculties with regard to

recruitment and many other things. Moreover, it names, according to the suggestion of the Executive Committee of the university (Presidium), the members of the university council.

Composition:

The Senate of TU Darmstadt comprises the President as the chair person, ten Professors, four students, three scientific workers, likewise administrative and technical workers as the persons who have the right to vote. Likewise, the women representatives of the university, trust persons of physically challenged people, the students' union executive committee and the chair of the AStA council and also two students from Fachschafftenkonferenz belong to the Senate with consulting power.

University Assembly

Job description: The University Assembly of TU Darmstadt handles the issues that are primary in meaning. It adopts the constitution and takes stance on primary questions like the development of the university, study and teaching areas and scientific talents. Moreover, it elects the four student representatives in the Senate.

Composition:

The University Assembly has 61 members with the right to vote -31 Professors, 15 students, 10 scientific workers, likewise 5 administrative-technical workers.

Faculty Council

Job description: It elects the Dean and one or several Vice-Deans every two years. The job of this council is to determine and finalize the resource allocation to every faculty, appoint the recruitment committee and confirm its results. Moreover, the target agreements of

every faculty in coordination with the Executive Committee of the University (for example, what the faculty wants to achieve in next x years) are decided.

Composition:

The faculty council represents the interests of all the interests in each faculty and comprises students, professors, scientific workers, administrative-technical workers. However, with the specialty that, the seats are not distributed based on the size of each group but according to a definition whereby the professors principally hold 51% of the total seats.