

Alternative Model of Students Representation at Ravenshaw University

In keeping with the ideas of strengthening the popular yet inclusive basis of representation, oriented with an element of de-centralization, the following alternative model of representation shall be adopted in the upcoming Students' Election (2017-18) of Ravenshaw University.

- Instead of a single apex body like Students' Union, each School consisting of different Departments of the University will have its own specific democratic body, **Students Council (SC)**.
- Each of the classes of UG (1st /2nd/ 3rd yr.) and PG (1st/ 2nd yr.) programmes of the different Departments will elect its representatives (one for each specific class) **directly**. The modality of such representation shall be by **secret** ballot at the level of Department. However, if a class has more than one section, each section shall select one representative.
- All the representatives so elected thus become the members of the **SC** of the respective Schools.
- **SC** of each School shall elect through similar modality a **Convener** and a **Deputy Convener** from among its members.
- **SC** of each School shall elect from among the students of the School a student to represent existing Societies of the University namely: DSA, SSG, Dramatic Society and Athletic Club.
- The representatives so elected for each of the above said Societies from amongst different Schools will thus become members of the representative body of the said Societies: Students' Council for DSA, SSG, Dramatic Society and Athletic Club.
- Each of **SCs** of the above respective Societies shall elect from among its members a **Convener** and a **Deputy Convener**.
- The Dean of each School shall oversee the process of election at the Department level coming under his/ her jurisdiction. The Heads/ Coordinators of the Departments shall operationalize the election process in their respective Departments. The Vice-Presidents/ Coordinators of Societies shall oversee the elections in their respective Societies.

Notes

1. ***Eligibility for candidature and other conditions as stipulated by Lyngdoh Committee will be strictly followed.***
2. ***There will be a grievances redressal committee to look into the issues and problems which may crop up in the process of electioneering, as per the Lyngdoh Committee guidelines.***
3. ***An independent body of observers in the rank of Professors will oversee the process and ensure free and fair election.***
4. ***The detailed regulations of elections will follow.***