

Dear student, dear staff member, and all concerned parties,

The FSR-FMG has crafted a manual regarding the FSR-FMG, intended to inform new FSR-FMG council members and interested students about the responsibilities and goals of the FSR-FMG. Based on this manual, the FSR-FMG, in collaboration with the student assessor FMG 2023/2024, additionally created this two-page factsheet. The FSR-FMG has also made several short informative videos. This factsheet provides information on the organization of the FSR-FMG, voting on the FSR-FMG and candidacy. All information can be found on the FSR-FMG site via the link at the bottom of the page under the heading "Want to know more, share your thoughts & connect?"

For who is this factsheet?

This factsheet is for students of the Faculteit Maatschappij en Gedrag, the FMG (Eng: Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences), that:

1. Aren't aware of the **existence** of the FSR-FMG
2. Aren't (fully) aware what the **role** of the FSR-FMG is
3. That do not know they can **vote** on the FSR-FMG
4. That are not aware **how to vote**
5. That might want to run as a **candidate** for the FSR-FMG

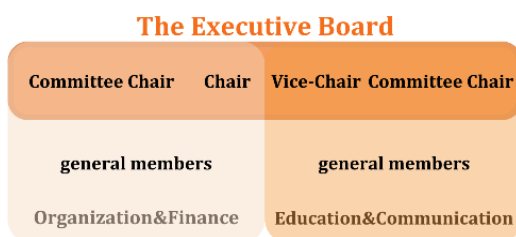
The FSR-FMG

What is the FSR-FMG?

The FSR-FMG, Facultaire Studentenraad (ENG: Faculty Student Council) of the Faculteit Maatschappij en Gedrag (Eng: Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences) is a representative advisory body elected by FMG students that aims to represent them at faculty level and voice students' interests in faculty decision-making processes regarding education. Every Faculty Student Council within the UvA represents the interests of the students within their faculty. The FSR-FMG participates by signaling, initiating, consenting and advising on policies regarding education. It has different types of rights to reach their aim.

How is the FSR-FMG organized?

The FSR-FMG consists of multiple roles; the Chair, Vice-chair, Committee chairs, CSR delegate and Treasurer; see page 7 of the manual for more information. Additionally, a Secretary is hired by the faculty to support the FSR-FMG and to take minutes of meetings. The council is divided into two committees, the Organization & Finance (O&F) and Education & Communication (E&C) committees. Each committee has files they work on, such as the file "Teaching and Examination Regulations (OER)" of the E&F committee and the file "Faculty Finances" of the O&F committee.



Voting on the FSR-FMG

Every year in May, a new FSR-FMG council is elected through student elections. The FMG works with a district system, which means that FMG students can vote for candidates within their district, or so-called domain. Every FMG student falls under one sub-district/domain, Child Development and Education, Communication Sciences, Psychology or Social Sciences.

Every year in May, a new FSR-FMG and CSR are elected through a student election. As a UvA FMG student, you are entitled to cast two votes.

- One vote can be cast for the Faculty Student Council, FSR-FMG. The FMG works with a district system for the FSR-FMG elections; this means you can only vote for an *FSR-FMG candidate within*

your sub-district/domain. Every FMG student is part of one sub-district/domain, namely Child Development and Education, Communication Sciences, Psychology or Social Sciences and you vote for an electable fellow student from your domain.

- One vote can be cast for the Central Student Council, CSR. For this, you can vote for *any CSR candidate*. This makes the CSR a representative body for all UvA students.

Why should I vote?

Because you should have a say in choosing who represents you!

How can I vote?

Via stem.uva.nl or via the official voting notification you will receive on Monday 13 May 2024 in your student email. Check the link in your email!

When can I vote?

From Monday 13 May 2024 09:00 to Friday 17 May 2024 23:59.

Who can I vote on?

There are multiple student parties; some of them run on a central and faculty level while other parties run solely on a faculty level. See page 20 of the manual for stances of the main parties present in the FMG. Additionally, you may fill in the Kieswijzer (www.uva.kieswijzer.nl) to see which parties you align with. Lastly, you can keep an eye out on their social media pages, see the links to those on page 33 of the manual.

Run as a candidate

Why should I run as a candidate?

"Because it is a great opportunity to learn about policy work, negotiation, and have a real impact on our University" - Clara, FSR-FMG member 2023/2024.

How can I run as a candidate?

By firstly becoming part of a student party or by starting your own party. Then you campaign for your party in April and wait for the results of the elections that get announced during the election ceremony.

When should I run as a candidate?


From Monday 15th of March until the 23rd of April, you can run as a candidate! Please note that student parties may have their own application deadlines for students joining to run as candidates. On Wednesday the 22nd of May, the results of the election will be determined. See the document "Tijdsplan studentenraadsverkiezingen 2024 (pdf)" on [Studentenraadsverkiezingen 2024 - student.uva.nl](https://www.studentenraadsverkiezingen2024.uva.nl) the detailed timetable.

What should I know if I run as a candidate?

The **workload** is between 5-15 hours weekly for a general member and 10-20 hours weekly for the four members of the daily board; The Chair, the Vice-Chair and two Committee chairs. As a council members, you receive **monetary compensation** via the profiling fund, see [Profiling Fund Regulations - University of Amsterdam](https://www.profileringfund.uva.nl) for more information. For further information on the perks, see page 28 of the manual. It is important to mention that the UvA has a **language policy**; council members are expected to have an active command of English and a (passive) command of Dutch at B1 level or an active command of Dutch and a

(passive) command of English at B1 level. The FMG has funds available for council members to follow a **Dutch or English course** up to B1 level at INTT. It is expected of council members that they start the language course between the period of August until September, to be able to have command of the Dutch or English that is expected of you at the start. The FMG's administrative language is in principle Dutch, as Dutch is the formal language of decision-making

Want to know more, share your thoughts & connect?

Visit the FSR-FMG website ([FSR-FMG Website](#)) for the  THE FSR-FMG MANUAL and the Instagram page [@fsrfmg](#) for short one-minute videos covering the topics of the manual. Reach out to us at studentenraad.fmg@gmail.com, or connect with us on Instagram [@fsrfmg](#).