

Student voter registration

Essential information

University and College Union

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What is happening?

Preparation and campaigning is underway for a general election on 12 December 2019.

In the UK anyone aged 18 or over can vote as long as they are registered and a British citizen (or qualifying citizen of the Commonwealth or Republic of Ireland).

This is a vote to choose a government to run the country by inviting the people to select an MP for their area – one of 650 constituencies.

Why does it matter?

Lots of young people are missing from the electoral register so they don't get a say in how things are run.

Also if you want to rent, get a mobile contract, or sign up for a credit card, it really helps if you're on the electoral roll (i.e. registered to vote).

How can I register?

The deadline for registering to vote is 26 November 2019.

You can register online here: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>

All you need is 5 minutes and your National Insurance number (you can still register if you don't have one).

Students can register at their home and term addresses.

Don't leave it to others to speak for you!

Make sure you are registered to vote by 26 November 2019.