

Here are some key dates to keep in mind as the 2025 Campus Elections Process kicks off

*****Please note that some dates or time frames may change, always with updates to ballot/referenda authors, SUA candidates and GSA candidates notified as early as possible of any changes*****

January 2025	Mandatory referenda orientations: Friday November 1st, Tuesday, November 5th, Wednesday, November 6th, Thursday, November 7th, Friday, November 8th	Orientation will cover the elections process, campus elections policy, return to aid component of referenda, constructing ballot language, the petition process, campaigning, etc.
February 19th	Referenda, Opinion Poll, SUA Amendment Application due for review to Dean of Students. Send materials to elections@ucsc.edu	Deadline: 11:59PM
February 20th- March 13th, 2025	Elections Commissioner works with various campus and UCOP stakeholders to gather feedback, questions, suggested edits, required edits.	Required edits and suggested edits will be shared with Proposed Student Fee Measure/Amendment authors and opinion poll authors no later than March 17th

March 17th- March 24th	Measure/amendment authors review all stakeholder feedback and make adjustments to resolve all required edits, suggested edits, feedback and questions	Final drafts due back to Elections Commissioner by March 24th
March 31st, 2025	Measure amendment authors are notified if any additional edits are required and may begin the sponsorship process	
March 31st- April 18th	Measure/amendment authors engaged in sponsorship process. Measure/amendment authors will meet with SFAC during this time	

April 18th, 2025	Election Ballot Form and Attachments (Sponsor Confirmation) due to Dean of Students	Deadline: 5:00 PM
April 21st- April 23rd	Dean of Students office verifies signatures on petitions and sponsorship forms and notifies authors if they have met requirements to proceed	
April 24th, 2025	Pending approval from the Dean of Students Office, referenda campaigns may begin	
May 5th	Voting Begins	Ballot opens 12:00am Monday, May 5th
May 16th, 2025	Voting Ends	Ballot closes 11:59pm Friday, May 16th

	After ballot closes on May 16th, all campaign materials are required to be removed. IRAPS will begin work tabulating votes to send to Chancellor for verification.	
TBD	Chancellor verifies and announces results	
TBD	Compulsory Fee Items to UCOP President for Final Approval	
30 days after election results are announced	Deadline for complaints about violations of elections	

*Please note that the above timeline will be updated several more times and continue to include more information as the election season unfolds, most specifically with regards to the Graduate Student Association (GSA) and Student Union Assembly (SUA) candidacy requirements and timelines.