



Undergraduate Association  
Office of the Elections Commission

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## Becoming a Candidate

To become an official candidate in the election, you must first notify the Commission and your class of your intent to run. This consists of three things:

1. Fill out the **Google Form** corresponding to the race you are entering. If you would like a **photograph** of yourself to appear on the ballot (which we strongly recommend), please email it to the Election Commission at [ua-elect@mit.edu](mailto:ua-elect@mit.edu) along with your name and the position you are running for.
2. **Collect signatures** from your classmates. These signatures are called your “petition” to run. To be listed on the ballot, each candidate for Class Council must collect **at least 125 and no more than 185 signatures**. Each ticket for UA President and VP must collect **at least 495 and no more than 740 signatures**. Signatories must be currently enrolled students; they must write their full name and current residence (name of dorm building or “off-campus”) in the space provided. It is important to understand that the purpose of the petitions is *not* to campaign, and it may not be used as such. See the rules about campaigning for more information. If you are running as part of a ticket for Publicity Chair or Social Chair, you only need to collect one set of signatures.
3. You must sign an official **statement of candidacy**, which can be found in this packet. Turn in this statement along with **proof of registration**, which can be obtained by going to 11-120 with an MIT ID.

The petition signatures, statement of candidacy, and proof of registration must be submitted to the Election Commission in W20-401 by **Friday, March 22<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm**.