

MUSG Spring 2024 Election Final Results

Election conducted April 4, 2024
Results certified April 5, 2024 | 12:00 pm
2,041 out of 6,863 Eligible Voters¹ | 29.7% Voter Turnout²

MUSG President / Executive Vice President

Round 1 – 1,517 voters

<i>Candidates Amyah Brooks/Amani Dalieh:</i>	<i>713 votes</i>	<i>46.00%³</i>
<i>Candidates Lori Martinez/Kaitlyn Rohan:</i>	<i>463 votes</i>	<i>30.52%</i>
<i>Candidates Thilini Mendis/John Flanagan:</i>	<i>340 votes</i>	<i>22.41%</i>

Round 2 – 1,478 voters

<i>Candidates Amyah Brooks/Amani Dalieh:</i>	<i>869 votes</i>	<i>57.80%⁴</i>
<i>Candidates Lori Martinez/Kaitlyn Rohan:</i>	<i>608 votes</i>	<i>41.14%</i>

MUSG Arts & Sciences Senator (3 seats)

Justin Uribe *354 votes* *66%*

Two seats remain option following this election. In accordance with the MUSG Constitution, MUSG Legislative Vice President will work to fill this vacancy.

MUSG Business Administration Senator (2 seats)

Kaitlyn Brodhagen: *160 votes* *66%*

One seat remains option following this election. In accordance with the MUSG Constitution, MUSG Legislative Vice President will work to fill this vacancy.

MUSG Communication Senator (1 seat) – 154 voters

Brennen Wills: *111 votes* *71%*

MUSG Education Senator (1 seat)

MUSG Engineering Senator (2 seats)

MUSG Health Sciences Senator (2 seats)

MUSG Nursing Senator (1 seat)

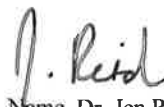
There were no registered candidates in any of the above four races. In accordance with the MUSG Constitution, MUSG Legislative Vice President will work with the college council, if in place, to fill this vacancy.

Senior Speaker Finalists – 487 voters

Hope Moses
Clarie Schomogyi
Ashley Tan

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¹ This number represents the number of eligible voters who accessed the ballots; 6,775 of these eligible voters were full time students able to vote on the ballots for MUSG president/EVP and academic senators. Completion rates varied in specific college populations.

² Voter turnout of 29.7% of all eligible voters compares to election turnout of 25.5% in spring 2023, 30% in spring 2022, 24.3% in spring 2021, 33.5% in fall 2020, and 31.1% in spring 2019. Fall 2020 turnout rate is noted because the all-university seats and academic senator elections were held in fall 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

³ This percentage reflects the 1% reduction penalty, which as stated in the Election Rules “This deduction would be taken from the total of overall votes for the offending candidate.”

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Campaign Violation Petitions

A number of campaign violation petitions were filed throughout the election timeline.

On Wednesday, March 6, the MUSG Elections Committee held a hearing to review evidence regarding the Elections Rule violation allegation filed by Lori Martinez on February 22, 2024. This petition alleged that the Mendis/Flanagan campaign violated rules on signature collection as interpreted by the Elections Committee. Pertinent to note here is that there are no rules as specified for signature collection in MUSG's constitution. The Elections Committee provided guidance because it had received questions on what is allowed for signature gathering. The MUSG constitution gives the Elections Committee authority in matters of elections:

Section XII – Violation Submission

The Election Rules and Procedures are under the jurisdiction of the Elections Committee, which serves as the hearing board.

The Election Committee found that Mendis/Flanagan did violate the rules as interpreted by the committee and communicated out to people seeking candidacy. As a result, 51 signatures were invalidated on the Mendis/Flanagan nomination form.

On Tuesday, April 2 the MUSG Elections Committee held a hearing to review evidence regarding the Elections Rule violation allegation filed by Lori Martinez on March 27, 2024, alleging that the Brooks/Dalieh ticket violated the rule on mass distribution:

- *In accordance with the Office of Residence Life policies, posting is allowed only in designated areas in each hall as appointed by the hall director or apartment manager. Each hall director or apartment manager will be asked to identify one posting area per floor/wing and one posting area per lobby. Clarification should be sought from the respective hall director or apartment manager before posting.*
- *Candidates are allowed only one poster per posting area. Posters will only be allowed in the residence halls and university apartments, academic buildings, and the Union in proper posting areas.*

The Elections Committee ruled that the Brooks/Dalieh ticket was in violation of Section VII, B2, c, and g of the Elections rules and imposed a 1% reduction in votes for the Brooks/Dalieh ticket, a penalty consistent with precedents set by previous elections committee rulings with regard to violations of rules under the Mass Distribution section of the MUSG Election rules (Section VII, B2).