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Elections to ICC: Procedure for Voting and Counting

1. The polling centre will be in the complex of Principal's Office.
2. The Presiding Officer (Convenor, WDC) will supervise the election. The Section Officer (Admin) along with his/her team will conduct the elections.
3. The voting shall be by secret ballot.
4. Before the polling commences, the Section Officer shall show to the persons (voters) present at the polling centre that the ballot box is empty and then shall lock it and seal it for use.
5. The Section Officer shall obtain the signature of the elector against her name on the electoral roll and then issue her a ballot paper. Elector (member of the GSC) should carry institutional I-card for the purpose.
6. The elector on receiving the ballot paper shall forthwith proceed to one of the compartments where he/she shall mark the ballot paper and after folding it put into the ballot box. The Section Officer will ensure that the ballot paper has been put into the ballot box in his/her presence.
7. Every elector shall vote without undue delay and shall quit the polling centre as soon as she has put her ballot paper in the ballot box.
8. If an elector spoils her ballot paper inadvertently, she may be given another and the spoiled paper shall be cancelled by the Election Officer.
9. **No elector shall be allowed to enter the polling centre for recording her vote before or after the expiry of the period fixed for the purpose.**
10. Casting Vote:
 - i. As three students will get elected to the ICC, each voter has 3 points which can be distributed amongst different candidates, with 1 as a minimum unit or given to a single candidate of their choice. These are points given by the voter to the candidates and not preferences as such.
 - ii. The points to candidates can be given by writing figure 3/ 2/1 against the name of the candidate. The voter need not indicate zero points to other candidates.
 - iii. The ballot will be considered invalid if there is any mark or writing by which the elector can be identified.
 - iv. The ballot will be considered invalid if total points written against the candidates exceed 3 (i.e. points to all candidates in a ballot can only add up to 3).
 - v. Thus, for a valid vote, 3 points can be split as:
 - a) 3 points to a candidate and none to others or
 - b) 1 point to a candidate and 2 points to another
 - c) or 1 each to three candidates.
11. Counting:
 - i. Counting will be done by the Presiding Officer and Section Officer. Candidates or their representative (a GSC member) may be present at the time of the counting.



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- ii. For every candidate, points from each ballot will be added. The result will be declared on the basis of the maximum points in the light of the following provision:

As per the rules, one of the students to the ICC has to be from the 2nd year (<https://www.mirandahouse.ac.in/icc/icc.php>):

Three students polling maximum number of votes will be elected as representatives. The student representatives include at least one from 2nd year in the ICC.

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