Fachschaft, Fachschaftsrat, Fachrat, Studierendenrat ...what?

We know this is all too much information. However, it is important. This is why we have prepared this little information sheet for you that tells you what you can do, when you can do it and why you should do it.

In the *Studierendenrat* (*StuRa*), the student council, representatives from students' initiatives and the *Fachschaften* at the university of Heidelberg come together to decide on matters concerning the students in general. They meet twice a month.

Elections take place in summerterm.

All students of a *Fach* such as physics or transcultural studies constitute their *Fachschaft* including doctoral students. Every member of the *Fachschaft* may candidate for the *Fachschaftsrat* - a group of students representing the *Fachschaft*. They take an intermediate position between the students and the staff. They meet regularly, organize events, communicate news relevant for the students, give feedback and articulate students' concerns to the staff. The *Fachrat* consists of students, professors, teaching staff ("Mittelbau") and members of adminstration. They meet at least once a semester to discuss departmental matters in detail, such as module structures, admission criteria and opening hours of the library.

Vote for your representatives in Fachschaftsrat and Fachrat usually in winterterm.

