

English Department Representative Committee EDRC: Mission Statement

The primary purpose of the English Department Representative Committee (EDRC) is to be a channel of communication between students, members of the *corps intermédiaire* / *Mittelbau*, and their Departmental Council representatives. To this end, the EDRC comprises a representative body of students as well as (sous)assistants and scientific collaborators (*corps intermédiaire* or *Mittelbau* members) who meet at least once a semester to discuss issues relating to the English department. The bi-annual meetings provide an informal and anonymized way to review and clarify questions concerning the study plan, examination proceedings, and other practical matters. Through this dialogue, the EDRC ensures that the two Department Council representatives can accurately represent the interests of students, (sous)assistants, and scientific collaborators on whose behalf they speak.

The EDRC aims to include at least one and at most four representatives of the following groups: BA students, BASI students, MA students, PhD students, *corps intermédiaire* / *Mittelbau* members. There will be no election process unless there are too many candidates, in which case elections will be held at the General Assembly of the English Fachschaft.

The EDRC will thus comprise at least five and at most twenty members, whose names will be listed on the website: <https://www.unifr.ch/english/en/department/edrc.html>. This provides an easy way for students to contact their respective representative with any feedback and ideas they would like to bring forward, which will be discussed in an anonymized manner among the members of the EDRC.

The EDRC will meet at least once a semester in the second week of term prior to the meetings of the Departmental Council with the possibility of holding further meetings if the need should arise.

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