

What is ISU?

The International Students Union of Norway (ISU) is an association of international students in universities and university colleges (Høgskoler) in Norway.

ISU is an anti-racist, non-profit, non-religious, non-partisan student organisation, which seeks to protect the interests of international students studying in Norway. ISU has local branches in Oslo, Bergen, Trondheim, Tromsø, Narvik, Stavanger, and Ås.

ISU is the voice of international students in political and academic matters.

The main aim of the ISU is to ensure that the rights and interests of all international students are suitably represented and protected. ISU identifies the problems faced by international students and tries to find solutions.

The second important aim of ISU is to provide and organise international students' social life. We aim to serve reliably as a practical, social and cultural resource and foremost as a moral support base. We foster a spirit of co-operation and understanding between the international students and the university authorities.

The ISU is a democratic organisation. There is no membership fee. Any student who has a student ID and a valid semester card is qualified to be a member or a supporter of ISU. Those studying at PhD programs are also included. All members have the right to run for office and to vote. Elections for the executive board are held at the beginning of each semester and all international students should be made aware of this. Norwegian students can also become members of ISU and support international students, but they cannot run for the position in student board.