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UWM Faculty, Staff and Students:

All members of the UWM community should review the rules governing political activities on campus and use of university resources. Universities of Wisconsin provides <u>guidance on political activities</u> for employees on all campuses. This page includes FAQs on a variety of topics.

University employees, including student workers, may not use work time or UWM resources to engage in political campaign activities. Students and employees not on work time are free to engage in political campaign activities in public spaces, and organizations may rent UWM facilities to engage in these activities under the same rules that apply to those organizations for any other purpose.

UWM is committed to the free and open discussion of ideas and encourages active civic engagement, including participation in the electoral process. Our <u>Free Speech, Rights and Responsibilities website</u> includes the basics on free speech, students' rights, support resources and FAQs around the First Amendment, campus speakers and more.

UWM strongly encourages all students, faculty and staff to be engaged in the political process and to vote in all elections. The university offers the <u>Panthers Vote website</u> to assist students with questions. Active engagement in the electoral process is civic engagement and is not considered political activity.

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