

## Brothers, Sheila C.

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**From:** Grossman, Robert B.  
**Sent:** Friday, November 10, 2023 4:45 PM  
**To:** Collett, DeShana  
**Cc:** Brothers, Sheila C.  
**Subject:** request for waiver of SR

Hi DeShana,

I'm writing in my capacity as the chair of the A&S Elections Committee to ask for a waiver of SR 1.3.2.1.1.4.

A&S is now allocated 5 seats on Graduate Council. In Spring 2023, we were tasked to run an election to fill 3 empty seats for 1 year. As a result, the terms of 4 of the 5 current A&S representatives end in August 2024, and the term of 1, Lisa Cliggett, who was elected in 2022, ends in August 2025.

We would like to stagger the terms, as directed by the SRs.

### **1.3.2.1.1.4 Terms**

...The terms of elected faculty members shall be three (3) years, with elections being conducted so that the terms will be staggered.

We can stagger the terms if we elect 2 representatives to 3-year terms and 2 to 2-year terms in Spring 2024. The SRs, however, do not provide any allowance for electing academic council members to 2-year terms (although it does offer that option in elections of Senators). Therefore, on behalf of the A&S Elections Committee, I am asking Senate Council to waive SR 1.3.2.1.1.4 to allow us to elect 2 representatives to 2-year terms in Spring 2024.

Thanks for your attention to this important matter.

-- Bob Grossman  
Chair, A&S Elections Committee

P.S. I would also recommend that the SRs be modified to allow for 2-year terms if necessary to keep the terms staggered.