# 1.3. COUNCILS OF THE SENATE

The University Senate delegates to its councils and/or its committees the largest degree of authority in handling recurring and routine matters in order that Senate meetings may be devoted largely to communications and consideration of major matters of educational policy.

# 1.3.1 UNIVERSITY SENATE COUNCIL

# 1.3.1.1 Purposes and Functions of the Senate Council

 The University Senate Council is charged with providing leadership to enable the Senate to perform effectively its primary role of formulating and implementing educational policies of the University as described in the <u>Governing Regulations</u>. The Board of Trustees in its <u>Governing Regulations</u> has also delegated responsibility to the Senate Council to act on behalf of the University Senate in particular advisory roles (<u>GR</u> 2.A.(2).(c); <u>GR</u> VIII.B).

The Senate Council is specifically charged with continuously reviewing the University's academic policies and may call to the attention of the appropriate administrative officer any need for compliance with the *University Senate Rules*, <u>Governing Regulations</u>, or <u>Administrative Regulations</u> that relate to University Senate function.

In accordance herewith, the Senate Council shall serve as the executive committee for the University Senate in fulfilling the following functions (see SR 1.2.1):

1. Study and report or recommend to the Senate on any matter of concern to the Senate.

2. Receive, consider and recommend action on Senate Committee reports and on reports and recommendations from educational units. The Senate Council may recommend approval or disapproval or may present the matter to the Senate without recommendation.

Appoint the Standing Committees of the Senate, Special Committees that it finds to be
essential for the performance of Senate or Senate Council functions, and other
committees as designated by the Senate.

4. Advise the President on the appointment of the Senate Advisory Committees and other on academic committees that the President may appoint in the capacity as Chair of the Senate.

5. Advise the Provost on the appointment of search committees for the appointment of deans of colleges, the <u>Graduate School</u> and the Libraries.

6. Plan the agenda of the Senate. Distribute notices of regular Senate meetings at least six (6) days prior to meetings with agenda and recommendations for Senate action to members of the University Senate and to administrative offices that are concerned with academic affairs, and of special meetings as directed.

7. Act for the Senate on all matters involving changes to <u>academic programs</u>, degrees, and curricula, subject to the requirements of reporting and the power of the Senate to reverse the Senate Council on these matters.

8. Act on other matters referred to it by the Senate with the responsibility and authority delegated to it by the Senate.

- 9. Act for the Senate in emergency situations, reporting such actions, with justification, to the Senate at its next regular meeting.
- 10. Advise the President on all matters relative to the welfare of the University which the President brings to it or which it proposes for consideration. In addition, the Senate Council shall invite the President annually to inform the Senate concerning general academic policies and budgetary priorities.
- 11. The Senate Council shall include solicitation to the elected college faculty councils (<u>GR VII.E.2</u>, 3), or similar elected college faculty bodies, to participate in nominating potential members of Area Committees, and other academic advisory committees, for submission to the President (<u>GR IV.B</u>).
- 12. To maintain a record of additions to or modifications of the *Rules* between periodic revisions and update the web-posted Senate *Rules* at least annually.

# 1.3.1.2 Composition

The Senate Council shall be composed of elected voting representatives (<u>GR IV.A</u>) and *ex officio* members as follows: The voting elected membership shall be nine (9) members elected by and from the 94 elected faculty representatives in the University Senate, and two (2) members elected by and from the newly elected student representatives in the University Senate.

\* When one of the 9 voting faculty elected to a three-year term in the Senate Council becomes elected as Faculty Trustee, the person retains the status as one of the 9 voting faculty members of the Senate Council until the three-year term on the Senate Council ends. Upon the end of the term, the person then acquires the status of *ex officio* nonvoting Faculty Trustee member of the Senate Council. [SREC: 5/13/2016]

The *ex officio* voting member shall be the President of the Student Government Association, and the *ex officio* nonvoting members shall be the faculty members of the Board of Trustees, if they are not elected members of the Senate Council, and the immediate past chair of the Senate Council, if his or her term on the Senate Council has expired. For purposes of this rule, the phrase "immediate past chair of the Senate Council" means the person who served as chair of the Senate Council during the preceding year.

When the term of a Senate Council Chair has ended, the person acquires the status of nonvoting 'past chair' member of the Senate Council, regardless of whether the person has been appointed to an administrative position or administrative assignment that makes the person ineligible for election to the University Senate. [SREC: 5/13/2016]

Six elected members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. [US: 10/10/77; US: 10/12/98] If the elected faculty representatives to the Senate Council are to perform a statutory action (KRS 164.240) on behalf of the elected faculty representatives of the Senate (GR IV.A,B), then five of those nine members shall constitute a quorum (KRS 446.050).

\* "Elected members" means any members who are not *ex officio* members. [SREC: 11/20/2006]

#### 1.3.1.2.1 Elected Faculty Membership

# 1.3.1.2.1.1 Eligibility for Membership

- Any elected faculty member of the Senate (or person appointed to replace an elected member) whose term of office has not expired at the time of the election shall be eligible for election to the Senate Council, except that no more than three (3) of the nine elected faculty members of the Senate Council shall be from any one college. If an elected faculty representative in the Senate has become ineligible and a replacement has been made, only the person who has replaced the ineligible representative shall be eligible for election to the Senate Council. Senate Council members are not eligible to succeed themselves until a lapse of one year from the expiration of their Senate Council membership (including service as Chair or Vice Chair), except that members who are filling a vacancy and who have served no more than one year, if otherwise eligible, may be eligible for election. The duration of the term of membership on the
- otherwise eligible, may be eligible for election. The duration of the term of membership on the Senate Council shall not be affected by the member's term on the University Senate. [US: 10/14/85]

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#### 1.3.1.2.1.2 Terms

Elected faculty representatives in the Senate Council shall serve for three (3) years commencing on January 1 following their election and continuing until expiration of their terms or until their successors are elected and certified.

# 1.3.1.2.1.3 Election

Voting shall be conducted by electronic secret ballot or paper secret ballot if electronic election is not feasible. Three (3) elected faculty representatives in the University Senate shall be elected annually during the fall semester to serve on the Senate Council. The Chair of the Senate Rules and Elections Committee or that person's designee shall preside over the election as the election official and shall remind the voters that election to the Senate Council confers eligibility for election to Senate Council Chair the following year. [US: 1/18/88; 10/8/2012; 2/12/2018]

# 1.3.1.2.1.3.1 Nominating Round

In the nominating round, elected Faculty Senators may nominate up to three (3) eligible Senators from the roster of the eligible persons as certified by the election official. The name of the eligible Faculty Senators who have been nominated and have indicated to the election official their willingness to serve will appear on the ballot. [US: 2/12/2018]

If ten (10) or fewer total nominees are willing to serve, and there are no more than twice the number of names from any one college as could potentially be elected from that college, elections shall proceed directly to the Final Voting Round described in SR 1.3.1.2.1.3.3 below. Otherwise, elections shall include a Preliminary Voting Round described in SR 1.3.1.2.1.3.2 below. [US: 2/12/2018]

If three (3) or fewer total nominees are willing to serve, additional solicitations shall be made in an effort to increase the number of nominees. [US: 2/12/2018]

# 1.3.1.2.1.3.2 Preliminary Voting Round

[US: 2/12/2018]

On this first ballot, elected Faculty Senators may rank order up to three (3) candidates from the list of eligible persons as certified by the election official. Rank orders will be used to resolve ties. The six (6) candidates with the largest number of total votes, including those ranking the candidate first, second, or third shall become candidates in the Final Voting Round, except that there must not be more than twice the number of names from any one college as could potentially be elected from that college. Ties will be resolved as follows:

16. The higher ranking goes to the candidate with the larger number of first-choice votes;

2. If there are still ties, the higher ranking goes to the candidate with the larger number of second-choice votes;

3. If there are still ties, the higher ranking goes to the candidate with the larger number of third-choice votes:

4. If there are still ties, the ranking will be determined by random draw.

# 1.3.1.2.1.3.3 Final Voting Round.

On this final ballot, elected Faculty Senators may rank order up to three (3) candidates from the list of the eligible persons as certified by the election official. The candidates will then be ranked according to the procedure listed in subsection (b) above. The three (3) candidates with the highest rank shall be elected except that no more than three (3) of the nine elected faculty members of the Senate Council shall be from any one college. [US: 2/12/2018]

#### 1.3.1.2.1.3.4 Election Results.

The three highest-ranked candidates under 1.3.1.2.1.3.3 above are elected.

# 1.3.1.2.1.3.5 In case of future vacancies

The remaining candidates will be considered in the order so ranked in case of future vacancies on the Senate Council. Ties will be resolved in a fashion similar to the procedure in SR 1.3.1.2.1.3.2 above. [US: 2/12/2018]

#### 1.3.1.2.1.4 Vacancies.

Upon resignation of any elected faculty representative in the Senate Council or when such a member is no longer eligible to be a Senator, a vacancy shall be declared by the Chair of the Senate Council. A vacancy on the Senate Council shall be filled by the eligible candidate who at the most recent Senate Council election ranked the highest without being elected and who is eligible and willing to serve. [US: 1/18/88]

If the above procedure still does not fill the vacancy, the vacancy shall be filled with an eligible and willing elected Faculty Senator nominated by the Senate Council Chair and approved by the majority of the voting faculty representatives of the Senate Council.

The term of such appointments shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term of the vacating Senate Council member.

# 1.3.1.2.2 Elected Student Membership

#### 1.3.1.2.2.1 Terms.

The two elected student members of the Senate Council and the President of the Student Government Association shall serve terms of one (1) year commencing July 1 following their election and continuing until their successors are elected and certified. [US: 10/12/98]

#### 1.3.1.2.2.2 Election.

The two (2) elected student members of the Senate Council shall be chosen annually in the second semester of the academic year. As soon as possible after the election of the student members of the University Senate during the second semester, the President of the Student Government Association shall assemble these persons to elect the student members of the Senate Council by majority vote. [US: 10/12/98]

#### 1.3.1.2.2.3 Vacancies.

If at any time during the term of a student member of the Senate Council they should become ineligible for membership in the Senate, his or her position on the Council shall be declared vacant. The President of the Student Government Association shall then assemble the student members of the University Senate to elect his or her successor.

#### 1.3.1.2.3 Attendance

If any member misses three (3) regular or special meetings of the Council per year, without an explanation acceptable to the majority of the other voting members, a vacancy is declared, to be filled according to the above procedures concerning vacancies. [US: 10/12/81]

# 1.3.1.3 Officers of the Senate Council

[US: 9/8/97]

#### 1.3.1.3.1 Senate Council Chair

The Senate Council shall elect its Chair in December preceding the academic year during which the Chair shall serve. All nine of the elected faculty representatives then serving on the Senate Council shall be eligible for election to the position. The incumbent Chair, if in his or her first year as Chair, shall also be eligible for reelection.

The Chair of the Senate's Rules and Elections Committee (SREC) or that person's designee shall preside over the election. In the November preceding the academic year during which the Senate Council Chair shall serve, the elected faculty senators will be asked to nominate current elected faculty members of the Senate Council to serve as Senate Council Chair. The SREC Chair or that person's designee will ascertain willingness of these nominees to serve. [US: 2/12/2018]

If there is only one nominee who agrees to serve, then the election shall be declared completed and this person shall be the Senate Council Chair-elect, and the University Senate so notified. [US: 2/12/2018]

Should more than one nominee be willing to serve if elected, the nominees will be offered an opportunity to provide an up to 200-word election statement, and that statement will be distributed to the elected faculty senators at least two weeks before the election. The elected faculty senators will be solicited by email to express their opinions of the nominees to the Senate Council. The Senate Council will consider this feedback in electing the next Senate Council Chair in the December preceding the June 1 start date.

The Senate Council must elect the Chair by a simple majority. If the Senate Council is not able to elect the Chair by a simple majority by the end of December, then the elected faculty senators shall elect the Chair by plurality from those nominated through the above process at the next regularly scheduled Senate meeting. If there is still a tie, the Chair shall be determined by random draw. [US: 2/12/2018]

When the person chosen is not the incumbent Chair, they shall be known as the Chair-elect. The Senate Council Chair is always a voting member of the Senate Council, within the provisions of the *Robert's Rules of Order*. *Newly Revised*. The Senate Council Chair:

- 1. Will exercise preparatory administrative functions as Chair that are attendant to the effective conduct Senate and Senate Council meetings, including the authority to call special meetings of the Senate Council (KRS 61.823.2);
- 2. As the 'department head' of the Senate Council Office, has certain general supervisory responsibilities for managing the budget, inventory, and personnel functions of the Senate Council Office (UK Business Procedures Manual; EVPFA Inventory Policies; Human Resources Policy and Procedure Administrative Regulation 61.2; KRS 61.030);
- Performs as the Presiding Officer of the Senate Council meetings except as they may delegate that function to the Vice Chair of the Senate Council; as Presiding Officer possesses attendant responsibilities and authority pursuant to Open Meetings Law (KRS 61.846(1));
- 4. Has general supervisory responsibility for: the preparation of minutes of Senate Council meetings pursuant to KRS 61.835; the distribution of these minutes to Senate Council members; the maintenance of official minutes of the Senate Council meetings pursuant to statutory UK Records schedule (KRS 171.420; President's memo 1/25/95); public accession to these minutes pursuant to the Open Meetings law (KRS 61.846(1)); and for the safe transfer of the records of the Senate Council Office to their successor (KRS 57.360);
- Has general supervisory responsibility for the maintenance of copies of procedures for election of Faculty Senators, as approved and submitted by college faculties (as per SR Error! Reference source not found.);
- 6. Has general supervisory responsibility for maintenance an official file of the educational unit "Rules" (including rules for unit-level membership/voting privileges) and committee structure for educational policy-making, as established by the respective faculties of each educational unit, being consistent with the *University Senate Rules*. As each is received upon approval by the Provost (<u>GR VII.E.1-6</u>), the Rules documents in this file will be maintained in a format accessible as needed by members of the Senate Council and Senate Committees:
- Has general supervisory responsibility for the maintenance a roster of those faculty employees in each college who are
  - a. full-time faculty employees at each rank in each respective title series (used for apportionment of seats of elected Faculty Senators (SR Error! Reference source not found.)),
  - eligible to be elected as Faculty Trustees, and those eligible to vote in Faculty
    Trustee elections (i.e., those members of the college faculty bodies who are
    full-time faculty employees with academic rank at or above Assistant Professor
    (or Librarian III) (SR 1.5.2); and
  - c. eligible to be elected as Faculty Senators (i.e., full-time faculty employees in the Regular, Special, Extension or Librarian Title Series, at or above the rank of Assistant Professor (or Librarian III), and those eligible to vote in college election of Faculty Senators (i.e., those eligible to serve plus those other full-

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- time faculty who have been conferred with privileges to vote in the college senator elections (<u>GR VII.E.2</u>, 3) [SR Error! Reference source not found.],
  - d. these rosters being obtained from the deans of the respective colleges (<u>GR</u> II.B.2.b assigns responsibility for these elections to the University Senate);
  - 8. Annually reports to the Chair of the Senate the attendance records of *ex officio* voting members;
  - 9. Is responsible for the assembly of the Ombud search committee with the composition specified in the *University Senate Rules* (SR Error! Reference source not found.);
  - Will make the final decision for the Senate on matters of minor course changes, as these changes are defined in the *University Senate Rules* (SR Error! Reference source not found.);
  - 11. Advises the chairs of Senate standing committees on the appointment of ad hoc advisory committees to the standing committees (SR 1.4.1);
  - 12. Utilizes regular communication and information sharing with elected college faculty councils, or similar elected college faculty bodies, to increase the effectiveness of educational policy-making by the University Senate and the College Faculties;
  - 13. May be directed by the Senate Council to represent that body on a particular matter to the President, or to another administrative officer, to the Board of Trustees, or to another University (or external) entity;
  - 14. Serves in a variety of ad hoc circumstances as a voice for the University Faculty, in different fora before organizations and groups on campus;
  - 15. Is periodically invited by the President or other University administrators to serve on University-level committees of diverse composition, so as to advocate for the Senate or Senate Council in the formulation of administrative policy on issues;

#### 1.3.1.3.2 Senate Council Vice-Chair

The Senate Council shall also elect a Vice-Chair at a December meeting from among the six faculty representatives elected to the Senate Council whose terms do not expire at the end of that month. The Vice-Chair shall take office the following June 1<sup>st</sup> and serve through May 31<sup>st</sup> of the next year. The Vice-Chair shall:

- Preside at any meeting of the Senate or the Senate Council at which the respective Chair so delegates or at which the Chair is not present, and may be delegated by the Presiding Officer to introduce the Senate Council motions and resolutions at Senate meetings. To facilitate the Vice-Chair's readiness to assume these responsibilities, the Senate Council Chair will keep the Vice-Chair generally apprised of important events that relate to Senate/Senate Council function.
- 2. Become chair of the Senate Council for the remainder of the chair's term if for any reason the chair is no longer able to serve in that capacity.
- 3. Serve as Secretary of the Senate including review of the Senate minutes prior to their distribution to senators. [US: 4/10/2000; 2/12/2018]

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- 4. Serve on the Senate Reinstatement Committee if a subset of Senate Council is so constituted per SR 1.4.2.10. [US: 2/12/2018]
- 5. Serve on the Committee on Committees. [US: 2/12/2018]
- 6. Oversee the Senate Council's survey of faculty in regard to the President's annual performance evaluation. [US: 2/12/2018]
- 7. Oversee the Outstanding Senator Award process. [US: 2/12/2018]

## 1.3.1.3.3 Chair-elect

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The Chair-elect or a Chair reelected to a second term shall take office as Chair on the following June 1st and serve through May 31st of the next year. A member of the Senate Council is not eligible while on sabbatical for election as Chair-elect but a person who has replaced the member on sabbatical on the Council is eligible to be elected as Chair-elect. The Senate Council Chair-elect will be given the opportunity to shadow the current Senate Council Chair during the six months preceding the Senate Council Chair-elect assuming the office. [US: 10/8/2012]

# 1.3.1.3.4 Conditions of Senate Council Officership

# 1.3.1.3.4.1 Vice-Chair's Senate Council term ending December 31st

An incumbent Vice-Chair whose term as an elected member of the Senate Council expires on December 31st shall continue in office and serve as a nonvoting member of the Senate Council until the following May 31st. However, if at a meeting of the Senate or Senate Council the Vice-Chair is acting as Presiding Officer in place of a nonattending Chair, then at that meeting the Vice-Chair possesses the same voting status as the Chair. An incumbent Vice-Chair whose elected term on the Senate Council expires on December 31st shall be eligible to be named Chair-elect at the meeting that December to choose the next Chair.

## 1.3.1.3.4.2 Vacancy

If for any reason the office of the Vice-Chair should become vacant, the Senate Council shall act as soon as possible to elect a replacement. [US: 10/12/81; US: 9/8/97]

# 1.3.1.3.4.3 Senate Council members whose Senate terms have expired

Officers of the Senate Council will remain members of the Senate Council for the duration of their terms of office even if their terms as Senators may have expired. In this eventuality, they will not be counted as part of their educational units in the election of representatives to the Senate or to the Senate Council, thereby expanding the normal size of both those bodies. [US: 10/12/81; US: 9/8/97; GR IV.B]

Under this rule, because the Senate Council Chair-elect is an officer of the Senate Council (SR 1.3.1.3.3), if the individual's regular three-year term on the Senate Council has ended on December 31, the Senate Council Chair-elect shall be a nonvoting member of the Senate Council for the portion of their term of office as Senate Council Chair-elect that runs from January 1 – May 31. [SREC: 12/17/2013]

#### 1.3.1.3.5 Senate Council Office Staff

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An Administrative Assistant, employed by and responsible to the Senate Council, shall carry out the routine and continuing activities which are essential to the functioning of the Senate

435 Council. [US: 10/12/81; US: 9/8/97]

An assistant, employed by and responsible to the Senate Council, shall carry out the routine and continuing activities essential to the functioning of the University Senate such as scheduling meeting rooms; taking minutes, word processing and distributing Senate agenda, memos and other correspondence; assisting the Chair of the Rules and Elections Committee in conducting nominations and elections; and other activities. [US: 4/10/2000]

#### 1.3.2 UNIVERITY SENATE ACADEMIC COUNCILS

# 1.3.2.1 General Policies for Academic Councils

#### 1.3.2.1.1 Composition

The membership and specific election processes of the academic councils are described in their respective sections (SR XXX for Graduate Council (GC) <insert reference>, SR YYY for Undergraduate Council (UC) <insert reference>, and SR ZZZ for Health Care Colleges Council (HCCC) <insert reference>).

Elections for academic council membership shall take place during the spring semester prior to the beginning of the member's term. Voting shall be conducted by electronic secret ballot or paper secret ballot if electronic election is not feasible.

#### 1.3.2.1.1.1 Elected Faculty Members

Pursuant to Administrative Regulations on tenure-ineligible title series and on faculty members with certain administrative appointments, the following terms apply.

- (1) Tenured faculty employees who have been appointed to an administrative position at or above the level of department chair are not eligible to participate in the election of faculty representatives, or serve as one of the elected faculty representatives, to faculty governance bodies above the college level (e.g., Board of Trustees, University Senate, Graduate Council, Undergraduate Council, and Health Care Colleges Council) (see HRPP 4.0; GRII.B.2.b.(2)); and
- (2) Regular, full-time faculty employees in a tenure-ineligible series are not eligible for regularly assigned university-level service activities (including the Senate), except that the tenured/tenure-track faculty of a college may allow a tenure-ineligible series to be eligible to vote for representation, and stand for election, specifically to the University Senate, by extending College Faculty membership to Lecturer Series or Clinical Title Series that faculty series-(to be documented in the College Rules; see AR 2.5, AR 2.6, AR 2.9 for more details). [SREC: 4/15/2011]

#### 1.3.2.1.1.2 Ex Officio Members

Ex officio members may be voting or nonvoting, but the position is presumed to be nonvoting unless indicated otherwise.

#### 1.3.2.1.1.3 Student Members

Student members shall be recommended by the Student Government Association.

# 1.3.2.1.1.4 Terms

All terms begin on August 16 and expire on August 15. Members shall serve until the expiration of their terms or until their successors have been name, or until they have become ineligible.

The terms of elected faculty members shall be three (3) years, with elections being conducted so that the terms will be staggered. Each elected faculty member shall be eligible for reelection for a second consecutive term, but ineligible for further membership until one year has elapsed.

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The terms of appointed members and student members shall be one (1) year. Appointed members may serve two consecutive terms but are ineligible for reappointment for a third appointed term until one year has lapsed.

The terms for student members are generally one academic year, although if they remain eligible they may serve additional terms.

#### 1.3.2.1.1.5 Elections

Colleges shall hold secret ballot elections for membership on the academic councils during the spring semester.

#### 1.3.2.1.1.6 Vacancies

Upon resignation of any elected faculty member or when such a member is no longer eligible to be a member of the academic council (e.g., resignation, leave of absence, assumption of administrative title, loss of status as a faculty employee), a vacancy shall be declared by the chair of the academic council.

The chair of the academic council shall fill the vacancy by the elected alternate or the eligible candidate who at the most recent election ranked the highest without being elected and who is eligible and willing to serve. The academic council chair shall inform the Senate Council office of the change in membership. If there is no such individual, the chair of the academic council shall, after consultation with the Senate Council Chair, appoint an eligible member who fulfills the requirements of the vacant seat. The term of appointment shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term and the partial term does not count toward the new member's limit of two consecutive terms

#### 1.3.2.2 Responsibilities

Academic councils are expected to meet at least monthly and shall record minutes of actions taken at all meetings. These minutes shall be available no later than one week after the end of the next meeting. A majority of the voting membership members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business unless indicated otherwise.

#### 1.3.2.3 Procedures

An academic council shall act on proposals through established Senate processes (SR 3.1 and SR 3.2) in either of the following ways;

- 1. Forward a positive recommendation to the next procedural Senate level that is prescribed in SR 3:1 or SR 3.2; or
- 2. Forward a negative recommendation to the Senate Council.

If an academic council submits a negative recommendation to Senate Council, then the Senate Council shall:

Forward the proposal to the next prescribed procedural level as described in SR 3.1 and SR 3.2, or

ii) Return the proposal to the academic council with particular instructions, or

 iii) Decide based on the merit of the proposal that the proposal is not appropriate for Senate action and report the same to Senate at its next meeting.

# **1.3.21.3.3 GRADUATE COUNCIL (GC)**

See SR 1.3.2 for general policies related to Senate's academic councils.

# 1.3.2.11.3.3.1 Relationship of Graduate Faculty to the University Senate

# 1.3.2.1.1 Role of the Graduate Faculty

The Graduate Faculty shall make recommendations to the University Senate on

1. academic matters that require University Senate approval, including graduate courses and programs and graduate program reviews (GR\_VII.C.4; GR\_VII.E.1) and

2. conditions of merit and circumstance for Honorary Degrees.

 The Graduate Faculty may perform the above functions directly, through the Graduate Council, or through committees that it or the University Senate may establish. Councils of the <u>Graduate School</u> may be appointed by the Dean of the <u>Graduate School</u> or elected, as prescribed by the <u>Rules of the Graduate Faculty</u> and approved by the University Senate. The Graduate Council shall have the authority and responsibilities delegated to it by the Dean of the <u>Graduate School</u>, by the Graduate Faculty in the <u>Rules of the Graduate Faculty</u>, and by the <u>University Senate Rules</u>. (<u>GR VII.E</u>).

# 4.3.2.1.21.3.3.1.2 Graduate Faculty Membership

Upon the recommendation of the members of the graduate faculty of a program, and transmitted through the Director of Graduate Studies, the Graduate Council will review, and the Graduate Dean will then render final action on, nominees for Graduate Faculty membership (<u>GR\_VII.A.3.a</u>). Associate and other classes of members in the Graduate Faculty (including but not limited to Directors of Graduate Studies [US: 4/21/52], may be appointed by the Dean of the <u>Graduate School</u>, with appropriate duties and privileges, as provided by the *Rules of the Graduate Faculty* and as approved by the University Senate (GR\_VII.E.1.B).

On recommendation of the Director of Graduate Studies and with the approval of the Dean of the <u>Graduate School</u>, persons who normally do not hold academic appointment in the University, but who have demonstrated an interest in collaborative participation in its graduate programs, may be appointed as Auxiliary Graduate Faculty Members. They should hold the terminal academic degree in the field and possess a record of research or creative experience that would warrant their inclusion on advisory committees to assist graduate students in conducting research. [US: 12/13/54; US: 09/08/86]

The Director of Graduate Studies serves as program advisor to each student until the student has a thesis or dissertation director. [US: 04/21/52]

Graduate courses should be taught by Graduate Faculty members. If a program needs to assign a person without a terminal degree to teach a graduate level course, they must first petition the Dean of the <u>Graduate School</u>, explaining the unique circumstances and qualifications supporting this assignment. [US: 12/13/54]

The President. the Vice President for Research, the Provost, and the Dean of the <u>Graduate School</u> shall be *ex officio* <u>nonvoting</u> members of all committees of the <u>Graduate School</u>.<del>-</del> [US: 04/21/52]

1.3.2.21.3.3.2 **Functions**Charge

The <u>Graduate CouncilGC</u> shall meet on the call of the Graduate Dean, or upon written request of five (5) members of the <u>Graduate CouncilGC</u>. A <u>majority of the voting membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. (The charge to the GC is se procedures are not intended to prevent a faculty member from presenting a recommendation or request directly to the Graduate Faculty.)</u>

# 1.3.3.2.1 Courses, Programs, and Other Proposals

Its responsibilities relative to courses and programs shall be as follows: It shall consider all proposed new courses and changes in courses that may be used for credit toward a graduate degree, including providing recommendations to the Undergraduate Council for courses numbered 400G-499G. [US: 10/11/99] It shall consider all proposed new graduate programs and changes in graduate programs, and degree titles (for both graduate program degrees and Honorary Degrees). (See SR 3.1.3). The GC may also be directed by the Senate Council to review any proposal relevant to its charge. See SR 1.3.2.3 for academic council procedures.

#### 1.3.2.2.1 Course Procedures

It shall consider all proposed new courses and changes in courses which may be used for credit toward a graduate degree.

It shall forward to the Undergraduate Council recommendations on the courses numbered 400G-499G. IUS: 10/11/99I

# 1.3.2.2.2 Program Procedures

It shall consider all proposed new graduate programs and changes in graduate programs, and degree titles (for both graduate program degrees and Honorary Degrees), forwarding its transmittal to the Senate Council. (See SR 3.1.3). In addition, it shall review all graduate programs. (These procedures are not intended to prevent a faculty member from presenting a recommendation or request directly to the Graduate Faculty.)

#### 1.3.2.2.3 Review of Programs

The procedures described below are superseded by more recent policy adopted by the University Senate in SR 3.3 [SREC: 8/9/2013]

 The Graduate Council shall review all graduate programs and suggest measures designed to maintain acceptable levels of academic quality. In pursuit of this charge, the Graduate Council may recommend appropriate actions to the Graduate Dean. For the purposes of this section, such recommendations may include (1) suspension of programs for a maximum of five years, (2) lifting of suspensions, and (3) termination of programs in accordance with the procedures specified below.

All recommendations by the Graduate Council and decisions by the Graduate Dean relative to suspension of programs, or lifting of suspensions, shall be communicated to the Chair of the Senate Council for incorporation in the Senate Council Course/Program Actions. No later than the fifth year of any program suspension, the Graduate Council shall review the suspension and recommend to the Graduate Dean the reinstatement or termination of the programs.

A decision to suspend a program on academic grounds may be appealed by the Director of Graduate Studies in the program. The appeal in all such cases shall be made, including justification, to the Provost for review. The Provost shall appoint a committee of Graduate Faculty members including a member of the Senate Council to function as an Appeals

Committee to review the case. It shall limit its review to the materials submitted and to the procedures followed by the Graduate Council.

The Provost shall discuss the recommendation of this Appeals Committee with the Graduate Dean and chair of the Senate Council and recommend final action to the President.

If the Graduate Dean approves a recommendation by the Graduate Council to reinstate a program that has been suspended, the Graduate Dean shall submit this recommendation to the Graduate Faculty for review. If the Graduate Faculty concurs, it shall forward its recommendation through the Senate Council to the Senate for approval. [US: 11/14/83]

Any recommendation by the Graduate Council to the Graduate Dean to terminate a program, whether or not previously suspended, shall also be communicated to the Chair of the Senate Council. In accordance with SR 3.3.2, the Graduate Council (or the Graduate Dean if so determined by the Senate Council) shall be responsible for the exercise of the procedures prescribed in SR 3.3.2. The Senate, which has the final authority for program termination (GR IV.C), if deciding to terminate the program, will report that decision to the President. [US: 11/8/76]

# 1.3.2.2.4 Off-campus Courses and Programs

The Graduate Council shall review distance learning activities for quality and effectiveness, in keeping with Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) substantive changes criteria [US: 4/12/99]

# 1.3.2.2.5 1.3.3.2.2 Review of Other Graduate Programmatic Activities Other Than Degree Programs

The <u>Graduate CouncilGC</u> shall periodically review and report to the Graduate Faculty and Senate on the effectiveness of the educational policies of the <u>Graduate School</u> (a) concerning certificates awarded in relation to graduate courses or training, (b) in relation to the education and training of postdoctoral scholars/fellows; and (c) in relation to postbaccalaureate students.

# 1.3.2.2.61.3.3.2.3 Honorary Degrees

The responsibilities of the <u>Graduate CouncilGC</u> relative to Honorary Degrees include periodically make recommendations to the elected faculty representatives in University Senate on the titles used for honorary degrees, and on the conditions of merit and circumstance applied to the award of honorary degrees (GR IV.A, C)

# 1.3.3.2.4 Extent of Authority

The GC does not have any final decision-making authority.

# 1.3.2.31.3.3.3 Composition

The GC will examine its composition annually at its last meeting of the academic year. There shall be eighteen voting members of the Graduate Faculty, plus the chair. [US: 4/12/2004]

# 1.3.3.3.1 Chair

The dean of the Graduate School serves as the chair.

# 1.3.3.3.2 Voting Elected Faculty Members

The Graduate CouncGCil is-shall consist composed of eighteen (18)voting -faculty members and the Dean of the Graduate School, who serves as the chair. There are fourteen (14) faculty

representatives elected from the Graduate Faculty, two (2) members appointed from the Graduate Faculty by the Dean, and two (2) graduate student members. <u>Graduate. School</u> associate deans, and representatives chosen by either the Senate Council and the Health Care Colleges Council serve in a nonvoting, ex officio capacity.

The composition of the elected membership of the Graduate Council GC is as follows:

- Two members from the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment;
- Three members from the College of Arts and Sciences;
- One member from the Gatton College of Business and Economics;
- One member from: the College of Communication and Information, the College of Social Work, the Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce and the Martin School of Public Policy and Administration;
- One member from the College of Education;
- One member from the College of Engineering;
- One member from the College of Design and the College of Fine Arts;
- Two members from the College of Medicine;
- One member from the College of Pharmacy and the College of Dentistry; and
- One member from the College of Health Sciences, the College of Nursing, and the College of Public Health.

Members representing a college or a combination of colleges are elected by the Graduate Faculty whose primary appointment to the Graduate Faculty is in the respective college(s). [US: 3/21/83]

# 1.3.3.3.3 Voting Appointed Members

There shall be two voting members appointed from the Graduate Faculty by the Dean,
The composition of the Graduate Council will be examined by the Graduate Council annually at its last meeting of the academic year. [US: 4/12/2004]

#### 1.3.3.3.4 Voting Student Members

There shall be two voting graduate student members recommended by the Student Government Association.

# 1.3.3.3.5 Ex Officio Voting Members

The GC shall also have liaisons from the other two academic councils and the Senate Council, who will serve as ex officio voting members.

- The GC chair shall contact the Undergraduate Council (UC) and request the UC identify a member of that council to serve as an ex officio voting member of the GC.
- The GC chair shall contact the Health Care Colleges Council (HCCC) and request the HCCC identify a member of that council to serve as an ex officio voting member of the GC.

The GC chair shall contact the Senate Council and request the SC identify an individual to serve as the liaison from the Senate Council, an ex officio voting member. The liaison from the Senate Council is not necessarily from within the Senate Council's membership.

#### 1.3.3.3.6 Ex Officio Nonvoting Members

Graduate School associate deans are ex officio nonvoting members of the GC.

#### 1.3.2.41.3.3.4 Election

Only regular ("full") members of the Graduate Faculty shall be eligible to serve on the Graduate Council GC and to vote in the Graduate Council GC election. Graduate Faculty members with administrative titles above that of department chair or who do not possess an employment status of a full-time faculty member are not eligible. (see SR 1.3.2.2) In addition, members of the Graduate Faculty from departments which have representatives with unexpired terms on the Graduate Council GC shall not be eligible. [US: 11/11/85]

The office of the Graduate School Dean will be responsible for administering the election procedure and but the Senate Rules and Elections Committee (SREC) will for certifying all aspects of the election, including voting procedures, number of open seats, and eligible membership, to the Senate Council the newly elected members. The Graduate School Dean's Office will prepare the lists of faculty members eligible to vote and those eligible to serve. For each college or collection of colleges where there is an election to be held, the Graduate School Dean's office will send a list of those eligible to be elected to each person eligible to vote, who will be invited to nominate an eligible person for the Graduate CouncilGC by a letter. In addition, in each department (or college) that has a graduate program, the chair (or dean) and the director of graduate studies will each be urged to submit a nomination by letter. The Graduate School Dean's office shall check on the willingness of persons to serve and will get a very brief biographical statement from each person nominated. If fewer than three persons are nominated and are willing to serve from any college or collection of colleges, the Graduate School Dean's office shall call a brief meeting of the directors of graduate study from the unit(s) for the purpose of nominating additional persons to make a total of three. (In the event that more than one person was to be elected from the unit, this group would meet if necessary to pick nominees equal to three times the number to be elected.) [US: 1/18/88]

Once the nomination process has been completed, ballots will be sent out containing the names of all those nominated. Each person must vote for as many candidates as there are vacancies to be filled or their ballot will be disqualified. The person or persons receiving the largest number of votes will be elected. [US: 1/18/88]

Pursuant to <u>Administrative Regulations</u> on tenure-ineligible title series and on faculty members with certain administrative appointments, the following terms apply: (1)

Tenured faculty employees who have been appointed to an administrative position at or above the level of department chair are not eligible to participate in the election of faculty representatives, or serve as the elected faculty representative, to faculty governance bodies above the college level (e.g., Board of Trustees, University Senate, Graduate Council, Undergraduate Council, and Health Care Colleges Council) (see HRPP 4.0; <u>GR\_V</u>); (2) Regular, full-time faculty employees in a tenure-ineligible series are not eligible for regularly assigned university-level service activities, except that the tenured/tenure track faculty of a college may allow a tenure ineligible series to be eligible to vote for representation, and stand for election, specifically to the University Senate, by extending College Faculty membership to that faculty series (to be documented in the College Rules; see <u>AR</u> 2.5, <u>AR</u> 2.6, <u>AR</u> 2.9 for more details). [SREC: 4/15/2011]

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#### 1.3.2.5 Terms and Vacancies

The term of office of elected members shall be three (3) years, with elections being conducted so that the terms will be staggered. The term of office of appointed members shall be one (1) year. All terms expire on August 15 [US: 4/23/2001]. Members shall serve until the expiration of their terms, until they have become ineligible, or until their successors have been named.

A vacancy in the first year of a term on the elected membership of the Graduate Council shall be filled by appointment by the Council Chair of the eligible nominee who received the highest number of votes without being elected. If that person declines, the next eligible nominee shall be appointed, and so on. If the electoral unit in which the vacancy occurs elects a Council member annually, this method shall be used to fill all vacancies from that unit, with the immediately preceding election being used as the source of nominees. If the electoral unit does not elect a member annually, a vacancy following the first year of a term (or in the first year if the list of nominees is exhausted) shall be filled by the chair appointing an eligible member of the unit's faculty. The term of appointment shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term or for the duration of the ineligibility of the elected member. [US: 4/10/89]

Any member of the Council who has served a term as an elected member or who has served more than one year as a replacement for an elected member shall be ineligible for membership on the Council until three years have elapsed since completion of their last term. An appointed member of the Council may serve three successive one-year terms. However, the appointed member whose term of service has been for more than a single one-year term, shall thereafter be ineligible for membership on the Council until three years have elapsed.

# 1.3.31.3.4 UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL (UC)

See SR 1.3.2 for general policies related to Senate's academic councils.

A tenured faculty member well-versed in curricular matters shall be appointed by the Senate Council to chair the Undergraduate Council and report its recommendations to the Senate Council. [US: 11/13/2017]

#### 1.3.3.11.3.4.1 **Functions**Charge

The <u>Undergraduate Council's UC's</u> responsibilities relative to courses and programs shall be as follows:

# 1.3.3.1.1 Courses, Programs, and Other Proposals Procedures

tt\_The UC shall consider all proposed proposals for all courses numbered 100-499Gnew courses and changes in courses which may be used for credit toward an undergraduate degree, including and provideing recommendations. It shall forward to the Graduate Council recommendations on for all courses numbered 500-599. [US: 10/11/99]

# 1.3.3.1.2 Program Procedures

It shall consider all proposed new undergraduate programs, changes in undergraduate programs, including degree titles, from all colleges offering an undergraduate degree. Further, it shall consider all changes in the University requirements. The Undergraduate Council shall recommend on all of the above to the Senate Council. (See SR 3.1.3.3.2.2; 3.2.2.3.3.1.6) In addition, it shall review all undergraduate programs. The UC may also be directed by the Senate Council to review any proposal relevant to its charge. See SR 1.3.2.3 for academic council procedures.

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#### 1.3.3.1.3 Review of Programs

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It shall review the summary reports of undergraduate program reviews prepared by the educational unit review committees. It shall participate directly in the review of undergraduate programs upon the request of the Provost. Following either such review, it may recommend appropriate action to maintain acceptable levels of academic quality to the Provost. Such a recommendation may include the suspension of a program to a maximum of five years and the lifting of such a suspension. All recommendations relating to imposing or lifting suspensions of programs are subject to approval by the Senate Council.

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An undergraduate program, through its chair or other appropriate administrative officers, may appeal a decision to suspend the undergraduate program to the Provest, who shall then appoint a committee of faculty members, including a member of the Senate Council, to function as an Appeal Committee to review the case. The Committee shall limit its review to the materials submitted by the academic unit review committees, by the Undergraduate Council, and by the program making the appeal. The Provost shall discuss the recommendation of the Committee with the chair of the Senate Council and shall then recommend final action to the President. [US: 4/9/84]

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Proposals to terminate undergraduate programs shall be initiated and processed as prescribed in SR 3.3.

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# 1.3.3.1.4 Off-campus Courses and Programs

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The Undergraduate Council shall review distance learning activities for quality and effectiveness, in keeping with Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) "substantive changes" criteria [US: 4/12/99]

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# 1.3.4.1.2 Extent of Authority

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The UC has final decision-making authority regarding the addition of new high school sites to an in-effect, Senate-approved dual credit arrangement.

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A tenured faculty member well-versed in curricular matters shall be appointed by the Senate Council to chair the UC. [US: 11/13/2017]

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## 1.3.4.1.5 Voting Faculty Members

906 907 The Undergraduate CouncilUC shall consist of fourteen (14) members. Nine of the members shall be regular full-time faculty members elected by and from the faculties of colleges or, groups of colleges or parts of colleges offering an undergraduate degree, or Honors College programe credential as followsdescribed below. (see SR 1.3.4.2.1).: [US: 10/12/81; US:4/9/84; US: 4/14/86; US: 10/12/87]

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• One member from the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment;

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 One member from the combined areas of Humanities area and Social Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Fine Arts, and the Honors College;

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-One member from the areas of Natural Sciences and Mathematics area in the College of Arts and Sciences:

•	One member from the Gatton College of Business and Economics;
•	One member from the combined areas of the Social Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Communication and Information;
-	One member from the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment;
•	One member from the College of Design;
•	One member from the College of Education;
•	One member from the College of Engineering;
•	-One member from the College of Fine Arts;
•	One member from the Graduate School
•	One member from the College of Health Sciences;
•	One member from the Gaton College of Business and Economics;
	One member from the College of Design
•	One member from the Lews Honors College;
•	One member from the College of Nursing;
•	One member from the College of Public Health; and
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• The UC chair shall contact the Senate Council (SC) and request the SC identify an individual to serve as the liaison from the SC, an ex officio voting member. The liaison from the SC is not necessarily from within the SC's membership.

• The UC chair shall contact the Graduate Council (GC) and request the GC identify a member of that council to serve as an ex officio voting member of the UC.

The UC chair shall contact the Health Care Colleges Council (HCCC) and request the

HCCC identify a member of that council to serve as an ex officio voting member of the

Of the five remaining members, one shall be a member of the University Faculty appointed by the Senate Council. Four members shall be appointed by the Chair of the Undergraduate Council with the advice and consent of the elected Undergraduate Council members. Of these four, two shall be members of the faculties of colleges eligible to have representation on the Undergraduate Council, and the remaining two shall be undergraduate students from eligible colleges. [US: 10/12/81; US: 4/9/84; US: 4/14/86; US: 10/12/87]

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1.3.4.1.8 Ex Officio Nonvoting Members
The chair of the UC shall appoint anAn ex officio, nonvoting-nenvoting member from the Registrar's Office selected by the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management may attend. [US: 4/14/97]

# 1.3.3.31.3.4.2 Election

Members of faculties of those colleges listed above in SR <u>1.3.4.1.3</u><del>1.3.4.2</del> who are eligible to vote for and be elected to the University Senate shall be eligible to serve in and vote for all elected members of the <u>Undergraduate Council</u>UC. [US: 10/8/2001]

Pursuant to <u>Administrative Regulations</u> on tenure-ineligible title series and on faculty members with certain administrative appointments, the following terms apply: (1)

Tenured faculty employees who have been appointed to an administrative position at or above the level of department chair are not eligible to participate in the election of faculty representatives, or serve as the elected faculty representative, to faculty governance bodies above the college level (e.g., Board of Trustees, University Senate, Graduate Council, Undergraduate Council, and Health Care Colleges Council) (see HRPP 4.0; GRII.B.2.b.(2)); (2) Regular, full-time faculty employees in a tenure-ineligible series are not eligible for regularly assigned university-level service activities, except that the tenured/tenure-track faculty of a college — may allow a tenure-ineligible series to be eligible to vote for representation, and stand for election, specifically to the University Senate, by extending College Faculty membership to that faculty series (to be documented in the College Rules; see <u>AR</u> 2.5, <u>AR</u> 2.6, <u>AR</u> 2.9 for more details). [SREC: 4/15/2011]

A secret ballot election for membership on the Undergraduate Council shall take place during the spring semester and the newly elected members shall assume their seats on August 16 of the same year. [US: 10/12/87; US: 1/18/88; US: 4/23/2001]

Individual colleges. The Undergraduate Council chair shall be responsible for administering their own elections. That The Senate Rules and Elections Committee (SREC) person-will certify all aspects of the election, including voting procedures, number of open seats, and eligible membership. prepare lists of members of college faculties eligible to vote and serve. Each college or group of colleges in which there is an election to be held will be notified and have nominations solicited from the members of the college faculties by a process designed to give adequate notice of the election.

Colleges shall twill particularly solicit nominations from department Chairs and Directors of Undergraduate Studies and ensure those on the ballot are willing to serve. The Undergraduate Council chair will ascertain the willingness of the nominees to serve and will conduct the election by a process designed to inform voters of the qualifications of those nominated. The person receiving the highest number of votes for a given vacancy will be elected. Ties will be decided by lot. The SREC will certify all election results. [US: 10/8/2001; US: 11/13/2017]

1.3.3.4 Terms and Vacancies

Elected faculty Undergraduate Council members will serve three-year staggered terms expiring on August 15 [US: 4/23/2001] and shall be ineligible to succeed themselves until a lapse of one year occurs, except that where they have served one year or less as a replacement, they shall be eligible to be elected. Student members shall serve one year and are eligible for reappointment.

When a member or an alternate becomes unable or ineligible to serve (i.e., resignation, leave of absence, assumption of administrative title, loss of status as a faculty employee) a vacancy is declared. A vacancy in the first year of a term on the elected membership of the Undergraduate Council shall be filled by appointment by the Undergraduate Council Chair of the eligible nominee who received the highest number of votes without being elected in the election in which the vacating member was elected. If that person declines, the next eligible nominee shall be appointed, and so on. A vacancy following the first year of a term (or in the first year if the list of nominees is exhausted) shall be filled by the Undergraduate Council Chair appointing an eligible member of the unit's faculty. The term of appointment shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term or for the duration of the ineligibility of the elected member. [US: 4/10/89]

# **1.3.3.51.3.4.3** Advisory Senate Committee for Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (SCGCCR)

The CGCCRGCCR Advisory Committee is charged with oversight of the Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (SR Error! Reference source not found..3). A permanent subcommittee reporting to the Undergraduate Council, this the SCGCCR committee is charged with establishing, publishing, and implementing the campus-wide policies and procedures for evaluating the academic components of the GCCR and their assessment. [US: 5/6/2013]

#### 1.3.3.5.1 Composition

The committee shall be composed of at least eight (8) voting members from the University faculty broadly representative of the <u>undergraduate colleges</u> (SR **9.20**). Ex officio members shall include the Associate Provost for Student and Academic Life (or designated representative) and one staff person each from the Office of Assessment and the University Registrar.

The members of the committee shall be appointed by the Senate Council. Members should have appropriate expertise in communication and assessment and should collectively represent the three modes of communication (written, oral, and visual) comprising the GCCR. Faculty members shall serve for staggered three-year terms and may serve consecutively for no longer than six years. [US: 11/13/2017]

#### 1.3.3.5.21.3.4.3.1 Charge

The GCCR Advisory Committee CGCCR shall exercise the following functions [US: 11/13/2017]:

- 1. It shall <u>establish recommend</u> procedures and guidelines for undergraduate degree programs to submit proposals for implementing the GCCR.
- It shall evaluate proposals by programs for implementing the GCCR. Approved
   <del>proposals shall be and forwarded recommendations to the Undergraduate Council for further action.</del>
- It shall <u>establish\_develop</u> and <u>implement\_recommend</u> a campus assessment plan for the GCCR and monitor the results of program-level assessments, in accordance with the SACSCOC reaffirmation of <u>accreditation</u>. The committee shall review and report on this data either periodically or as requested by the Senate Council.

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- 4. It shall <u>set\_recommend</u> policies for transfer equivalencies and for granting exceptions to the GCCR, and, <u>if called upon by the Senate to do so</u>, it shall broadly communicate these policies to all <u>undergraduate colleges</u> (SR 9.19), the Registrar, and other appropriate parties.
- Upon the recommendation of the Senate Council, or upon its own initiative, it shall
  consider and <u>propose-recommend</u> necessary changes in the educational structure of the
  program or in its academic requirements. The GCCR committee may recommend
  changes for the GCCR to the Undergraduate Council or other appropriate University
  Senate channels for approval.

# 1.3.4.3.2 Extent of Authority

The CGCCR does not have any final decision-making authority.

# 1.3.4.3.3 Composition

The CGCCR is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators.

# 1.3.4.3.3.1 Chair

The Senate Council shall identify a chair from eligible faculty members who have appropriate expertise in communication and assessment

#### 1.3.4.3.3.2 Voting Faculty Members

It shall be composed of at least eight voting members from the University faculty broadly representative of the undergraduate colleges (SR 9.20). Members should have appropriate expertise in communication and assessment and should collectively represent the three modes of communication (written, oral, and visual) comprising the GCCR. [US: 11/13/2017]

# 1.3.4.3.3.3 Ex Officio Nonvoting Members

There shall be three ex officio nonvoting members:

- The Associate Provost for Student and Academic Life (or designated representative);
- One representative from the Office of Assessment; and
- One representative from the University Registrar.

# 1.3.41.3.5 HEALTH CARE COLLEGES COUNCIL (HCCC)

See SR 1.3.2 for general policies related to Senate's academic councils.

The HCC Council HCCC shall meet monthly and upon call of the HCCC Council Cohair. Six (6) elected members or their alternates with a voting status for the purposes of the meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

[US: 5/9/2005]

The Health Care Colleges Council HCCC (hereafter: "HCC Council") shall be responsible to the University Senate concerning academic matters related to the six health-care-related colleges:

Dentistry, Health Sciences, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, and Public Health. Its principal functions and responsibilities are as follows:

# 1.3.4.1.1.3.5.1.1 Course Procedures Courses, Programs, and Other Proposals

Pursuant to SR 3.2.3, ilt shall consider, (i) all proposed new courses and changes in courses offered in a professional health care program (SR Error! Reference source not found.), or (ii) undergraduate or graduate courses that involve students in health care practices that originate from a college represented on the HCC CouncilHCCC (SR Error! Reference source not found.). On behalf of the University Senate, the HCC Council shall have final approval authority for these proposals so long as these courses would not be subject to review by Undergraduate and/or Graduate Councils. These courses are those at the 800- and 900-levels that address requirements toward a professional degree.

# 1.3.4.1.2 Program Procedures

Pursuant to SR 3.1.3.3.2.1.1, itlt\_-shall consider all proposals for new academic professional programs, changes in academic professional programs, changes in professional degrees or degree titles, changes in the admission or graduation requirements, and other academic issues concerning professional health care programs that originate from a college represented on the HCCC. During review, it shall ensure that the development of new programs is accompanied by appropriate modification or discontinuation of old programs or courses in accordance with the University Senate Rules. On behalf of the University Senate, the HCC Council shall have final approval authority for proposals related to professional health care programs (SR 3.1.3.3.2.1.1) that would not require review by another Council of the Senate and/or would not require final approval by the Board of Trustees and/or the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education. The HCCC may also be directed by the Senate Council to review any proposal relevant to its charge. See SR 1.3.2.3 for academic council procedures.

## 1.3.4.1.31.3.5.1.2 Limitation Extent of Aauthority

The HCCC does not have any final decision-making authority.

Whenever a proposal submitted to the HCC Council originated from or is subject to review by another Council of the Senate OR requires final approval by the Board of Trustees or the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, the HCCC shall <u>not</u> have final approval authority and, instead, shall recommend on that proposal to the Senate Council. If a situation arises where it is unclear if the HCC Council has final approval authority; the HCC Council will send a reviewed proposal forward with the HCC Council recommendation to the Senate Council for its consideration.

The Senate Council and University Senate shall always retain the prerogative and authority to review any proposal or decision of the HCC Council.

#### 1.3.4.1.4 Review of Programs

It shall evaluate educational program objectives and course content to ensure appropriate breadth and depth and the availability of needed faculty;

#### 1.3.4.1.5 Off-campus Courses and Programs

The HCC Council shall review distance learning activities for quality and effectiveness, in keeping with Southern Association Colleges and Schools (SACS) "substantive changes" criteria. [US: 4/12/99]

# 1.3.4.21.3.5.2 Composition

#### 1.3.5.2.1 Chair

On a rotating three-year basis, an associate dean from one of the health care colleges shall be appointed by the Senate Council to serve as chair of the HCCC. The order of rotation is as follows: Dentistry, Health Sciences, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, and Public Health.

# 1.3.5.2.2 Voting Regular Members and Alternates

The Health Care Colleges Council To be eligible for election, HCCC shall consist of the voting regular members and alternate members described below. The elected faculty representatives shall be elected by the faculty of each college. There shall be two regular members and two alternate members from each of the colleges listed below.

College of Dentistry;

College of Health Sciences;

College of Medicine;

College of Nursing;

College of Pharmacy; and

College of Public Health.

is composed of two representatives and two alternate representatives from the Colleges of Dentistry, Health Sciences, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy and Public Health elected by the faculty of each college. An individual from the Provost's office in the position of Associate Provost or equivalent shall serve as Chair of the HCC Council. In addition, there

Those eligible for election are regular, full-time faculty members of one of the six specified college faculties and shall be limited to those college faculty members who are eligible to be elected to the University Senate (see SR1.3.2.2). In addition, they must have been members of a college faculty of one of the represented colleges in a full-time academic rank for a period of at least two years.

Alternate members shall be notified of all meetings and shall have the privilege of attending all meetings; they shall not vote, however, unless they are serving in place of regular members. The alternates shall receive copies of minutes and other materials distributed to the HCCC. When a regular member must be absent from a meeting, either alternate from their college can be designated by the HCCC chair to serve as the voting member during that particular meeting.

#### 1.3.5.2.3 Ex Officio Voting Members

The HCCC shall also have liaisons from the other two academic councils and the Senate Council, who will serve as ex officio voting members.

• The HCCC chair shall contact the Graduate Council (GC) and request the GC identify a member of that council to serve as an ex officio voting member of the HCCC.

• The HCCC chair shall contact the Undergraduate Council (UC) and request the UC identify a member of that council to serve as an ex officio voting member of the HCCC.

• The HCCC chair shall contact the Senate Council (SC) and request the SC identify an individual to serve as the liaison from the SC, an ex officio voting member. The liaison from the SC is not necessarily from within the SC's membership.

shall be three (3) representatives outside of these colleges, one each appointed by the Graduate, Senate and Undergraduate Councils, not necessarily from these Councils' memberships, to serve terms commensurate with the other members of the HCC Council.

#### 1.3.4.31.3.5.3 Election

One HCC Council member ("official representative") and one alternate from each college shall be elected each year for a two-year term, which shall begin September 1. Colleges must elect both a regular member and an alternate. The Senate Rules and Elections Committee (SREC) will certify all aspects of the election, including voting procedures, number of open seats, and eligible membership.

To be eligible for election, candidates shall be a regular, full-time member of one of the six specified college faculties and shall be limited to those college faculty members who are eligible to be elected to the University Senate.

Pursuant to <u>Administrative Regulations</u> on tenure-ineligible title series and on faculty members with certain administrative appointments, the following terms apply: (1)

Tenured faculty employees who have been appointed to an administrative position at or above the level of department chair are not eligible to participate in the election of faculty representatives, or serve as the elected faculty representative, to faculty governance bodies above the college level (e.g., Board of Trustees, University Senate, Graduate Council, Undergraduate Council, and Health Care Colleges Council) (see HRPP 4.0; <u>GR</u> V); (2) Regular, full-time faculty employees in a tenure-ineligible series are not eligible for regularly assigned university-level service activities, except that the tenured/tenure-track faculty of a college may allow a tenure-ineligible series to be eligible to vote for representation, and stand for election, specifically to the University Senate, by extending College Faculty membership to that faculty series (to be documented in the College Rules; see <u>AR</u> 2.5, <u>AR</u> 2.6, <u>AR</u> 2.9 for more details). [SREC: 4/15/2011]

In addition, they shall have been members of a faculty of one of these colleges in a full-time academic rank for a period of at least two years. When a HCC Council member or an alternate becomes unable or ineligible to serve (i.e., resignation, leave of absence, assumption of administrative title, loss of status as a faculty employee) a vacancy shall be declared and that eligible faculty member who at the last election received the highest number of votes without being elected shall be appointed to serve for the period of ineligibility of the elected or alternate member.

Alternate members shall be notified of all meetings and shall have the privilege of attending all meetings; they shall not vote, however, unless they are serving in place of official representatives. The alternates shall receive copies of minutes and other materials distributed to the HCC Council. When an official representative must be absent from a meeting, either alternate from his or her college can be designated by the HCC Council Chair to serve during that particular meeting.

The HCC Council shall most monthly and upon call of the HCC Council Chair. Six (6) elected members or their alternates with a voting status for the purposes of the meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

## 1.4. UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATORS

The body that is the elected University Faculty Senators (<u>GR</u> II B.5.b; <u>GR</u> IV.A), has through its election by and from the University Faculty the representative authority to perform particular functions that, by law (KRS 164.240), are reserved to the University Faculty (<u>GR</u> II.B.5.b; <u>GR</u> IV.B). These functions are as specified in SR **Error! Reference source not found.** items 8–11 and SR **5.5**. Recommendations from this body to the Board of Trustees will be submitted through the Chair of the Senate (the University President) (<u>GR</u> IV), who is also member of the University Faculty (<u>GR</u> III.A.2). The body that is comprised of University Faculty Senators is also the body authorized to vote for and elect nine (9) persons of its membership as representatives to the Senate Council (SR **1.3.1.2.1**).

In situations where the Board of Trustees or University President seeks the opinion of a directly elected University-level faculty body on a matter, as is sought from the elected Student Government Association concerning student opinion, or as is sought from the elected Staff Senate concerning staff opinion, the Senate Council Chair will solicit and transmit the opinion of the elected University Faculty Senators. If conditions preclude obtaining the opinion of the elected University Faculty Senators on the matter, the Senate Council Chair shall solicit and transmit the opinion of the Faculty Senators elected to the Senate Council. The body that is comprised of the University Faculty Senate Council Members is also the body authorized in certain situations to fill vacancies that arise in its membership (SR 1.3.1.2.1.4).

#### 1.4.1 STRUCTURE OF UNIVERSITY SENATE COMMITTEES

# [US: 2/13/89, US: 2/3/2003; 5/2/2022]

# 1.4.1.1 Types of Senate Committees

The University Senate may perform its functions directly, through the Senate Council<u>ror</u> through either the Sstanding Ccommittees, or through or special ad hos committees of the Senate. The Senate may also establish Senate Aadvisory Ccommittees and may delegate any of its authority or responsibility to the Graduate School or the faculties of colleges, schools, departments, centers\_ and institutes. (GR IV.B).

For courses homed outside of a college, the Senate may designates the different faculty committees to be responsible for each of those courses in a manner similar to educational unit faculty. Those committees shall annually report to the Senate Council on the academic status and operation of their courses.

The University Senate shall have three types of committees.

1. (1) sStanding committees of the Senate responsible only to that body;

 2. (3) Special committees (hereafter referred to as ad hoc committees); and

(2) aA dvisory committees responsible in an advisory capacity to the President and/or other administrative officers and to the Senate; and

 (3) special committees (hereafter referred to as ad hoc committees). (GR\_IV.B)

 Committees are comprised of elected faculty senators and other members of the University Senate, as well as students, faculty who are not senators, and administrative staff. All student members of Senate committees are assumed to be recommended by the Student Government Association unless indicated otherwise.

#### 1.4.1.1.1 Standing Committees

The Senate Council shall determine the chair and number of members for each standing committee, within the specifications of the Senate for a particular committee. The terms of office

for elected faculty senators on standing committees shall generally be for three years. Terms of office for student members and nonsenators shall be for one year. Terms begin on August 16 of each year. The Senate Council shall compose standing committees so that terms are staggered to provide approximately a one-third change in membership each year.

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Emeritus faculty are eligible for appointment as voting members of University Senate committees, as long as other committee-specific requirements for committee composition are also met. [SREC: 2/5/2020]

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# 1.4.1.1.1.1 Membership Requirements

Unless described otherwise in a committee's description, the committee chair and at least onehalf of the members of the committee shall be elected faculty senators. The terms of office for faculty members of the standing shall be three years. Student appointments shall be for one year. All appointments shall be made by the Senate Council for terms beginning on August 16 and staggered to provide a one-third change in membership each year.

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Pursuant to Administrative Regulations on tenure-ineligible title series and on faculty members with certain administrative appointments, the following terms apply.

(1) Tenured faculty employees who have been appointed to an administrative position at or above the level of department chair are not eligible to participate in the election of faculty representatives, or serve as the elected faculty representative, to faculty governance bodies above the college level (e.g., Board of Trustees, University Senate, Graduate Council, Undergraduate Council, and Health Care Colleges Council) (see HRPP 4.0; GRII.B.2.b.(2)); and

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(2) Regular, full-time faculty employees in a tenure-ineligible series are not eligible for regularly assigned university-level service activities (including the Senate), except that the tenured/tenure-track faculty of a college may allow a tenure-ineligible series to be eligible to vote for representation, and stand for election, specifically to the University Senate, by extending College Faculty membership to that faculty series (to be documented in the College Rules; see AR 2.5, AR 2.6, AR 2.9 for more details). [SREC: 4/15/2011]

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The Senate Council Chair is an ex officio voting member of all Senate standing committees.

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Ex officio members are always nonvoting except where indicated otherwise, and are selected by Senate Council to represent a particular office or area to enhance the effectiveness of the committee's deliberations.

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The chairs of Senate standing committees may appoint ad hoc committees and may select their members in consultation with the Chair of the Senate Council. Such a subcommittee must be chaired by a member of the parent committee.

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Emeritus faculty are eligible for appointment as voting members of University Senate committees, as long as other committee-specific requirements for committee composition are also met. [SREC: 2/5/2020]

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The number of members on each standing committee shall be determined by the Senate Council. Chairs shall be appointed by the Senate Council. The chair and at least one-half the members of the committees shall be elected Faculty Senators, except as otherwise specified.

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# 1.4.1.1.2 Advisory Committees

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Appointment to advisory committees shall be made by the Chair of the Senate (the President) after consultation with the Senate Council.

After consultation with the Student Government Association and other appropriate student groups, the Senate Council may recommend to the President that students be appointed to an advisory committee of the Senate. Similarly, the Senate Council may consult with the elected Faculty Senators, or the *ex officio* Senators, concerning the membership of faculty employees or administrative staff employees to such advisory committees.

#### 1.4.1.1.3 Special ("Ad Hoc") Committees

Prior to its own action on an issue, the Senate Council normally shall refer all issues to appropriate standing committees unless an issue arises that is not clearly not within the jurisdiction of one of the committees, or unless an issue demands such immediate attention that the appropriate committee, in the view of its chair, would be unable to report on it in due time. If either of these two situations arise, the Senate Council may appoint an ad hoc committee to act and report on the issue, address academic and other issues facing the University. These committees expire not later than one year after their appointment unless the Senate Council acts to renew the committee's existence for another year. [US: 10/12/81] [4/14/86]

Standing committees of the Senate shall have the privilege of presenting reports to the Senate, subsequent to review by the Senate Council. If the Senate Council fails to present a committee report for action during three regular Senate meetings after it has been submitted to the Senate Council, the committee may bring its report directly to the floor for action by the Senate at any subsequent meeting, provided that the report has been appropriately circulated in advance.

Other than their temporary nature ad hoc committees have the same status and responsibilities as all other committees of the Senate. They shall be appointed by the Senate Council to address academic problems and issues facing the University. For example, such committees could deal with problems or issues as they arise in the areas of teaching and advising, student affairs, computer resources, continuing education, special teaching technologies and so forth. These committees expire not later than one year after their appointment unless the Senate Council acts to renew the committee's existence for another year. [US: 10/12/81] [4/14/86]

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# 1.4.1.2 Vacancies

Appointments to fill committee vacancies shall be made in the same manner as appointments for regular terms. Membership on Senate committees shall continue until terms expire or successors are appointed. The chairs of Senate standing committees may appoint ad hoc committees and may select their members in consultation with the Chair of the Senate Council. Such a subcommittee must be chaired by a member of the parent committee.

Acting within their charges, Senate committees shall act and report to the Senate Council upon issues that bear on the functions of the Senate prior to their submission to the Senate. Unless otherwise specified, items for potential consideration by University Senate committees, which are suggested by other than the Senate or Senate Council, reach the respective committees through the office of the Senate Council. Prior to its own action on an issue, the Senate Council normally shall refer all issues to appropriate standing committees unless an issue arises that is clearly not within the jurisdiction of one of the committees, or unless an issue demands such immediate attention that the appropriate committee, in the view of its chair, would be unable to report on it in due time. If either of these two situations arise, the Senate Council may appoint an add hec committee to act and report on the issue. Standing committees of the Senate shall have the privilege of presenting reports to the Senate, subsequent to review by the Senate Council. If the Senate Council fails to present a committee report for action during three regular Senate meetings after it has been submitted to the Senate Council, the committee may bring its report directly to the floor for action by the Senate at any subsequent meeting, provided that the report has been appropriately circulated in advance.

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1.4.1.3 Procedures

Acting within their charges, Senate committees shall review and report to the Senate Council upon issues that bear on the functions of the Senate prior to their submission to the Senate.

A Senate committee shall act on proposals through established Senate processes (SR 3.1 and SR 3.2) in either of the following ways;

1. Forward a positive recommendation to the next procedural Senate level that is prescribed in SR 3:1 or SR 3.2; or

2. Forward a negative recommendation to the Senate Council.

If the committee submits a negative recommendation to Senate Council, then the Senate Council shall:

Forward the proposal to the next prescribed procedural level as described in SR 3.1 and SR 3.2, or

ii) Return the proposal to the committee with particular instructions, or

Decide based on the merits of the proposal that the proposal is not appropriate for Senate action and report the same to Senate at its next meeting.

<u>Unless otherwise specified, items for potential consideration by University Senate committees, which are suggested by other than the Senate or Senate Council, reach the respective committees through the office of the Senate Council.</u>

1.4.1.3.1 Subcommittees

 The chairs of Senate standing committees may appoint ad hoc committees and must select their members in consultation with the Senate Council Chair. Such a subcommittee must be chaired by a member of the parent committee.

Acting within their charges, Senate committees shall act and report to the Senate Council upon issues that bear on the functions of the Senate prior to their submission to the Senate. Unless otherwise specified, items for potential consideration by University Senate committees, which are suggested by other than the Senate or Senate Council, reach the respective committees through the office of the Senate Council.

1.4.1.3.2 Reporting to the Senate

Standing committees of the Senate shall have the privilege of presenting reports to the Senate, subsequent to review by the Senate Council. If the Senate Council fails to present a committee report for action during three regular Senate meetings after it has been submitted to the Senate Council, the committee may bring its report directly to the floor for action by the Senate at any subsequent meeting, provided that the report has been appropriately circulated in advance. In such circumstance, the committee chair must submit a formal request to the Senate Council office at least two weeks prior to the Senate meeting to request that the item be placed on that Senate meeting's agenda.

1.4.1.3.3 Recordkeeping

In accordance with the Kentucky Open Meetings Law, Senate Setanding, ad hoc and advisory committees shall record minutes of actions taken at all meetings. These minutes shall be available not later than one week after the end of the next meeting (KRS 61.835). The committee chair shall be responsible for forwarding copies of the minutes to the Senate Council at the end of each academic year. These minutes may be in addition to or may substitute for the

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or con	ittee's annual report, at the discretion of the Senate Council. Committees that did not meet duct any business during the academic year shall forward to the Senate Council a report effect. [US: 2/3/2003]
1.4.2	LIST OF STANDING COMMITTEES, GROUP 1
(Chaire Senate	ed by a member of the Senate with a majority of members who are elected Faculty ors)
1.4.2.1	Senate Nominating Committee
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<b>Specif</b>	NC is responsible for topics related to nominations for committee membership.  ically, the SNC shall review and offer recommendations on: requests for faculty entatives, considering all aspects of a nominee (race, gender, ethnicity, unit affiliation,
	ine, tenure status, rank, administrative position, previous service to the Senate, etc.) and
	rpose of the committee for which the nominee was requested; policies to promote diverse
memb	erships; and any other similar topic assigned to it.
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	NC shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct
	ess. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)
1.4.2.1	I.3 Senate Calendar Committee (SCC)  I.3.1 Charge  CC is responsible for topics related to the Academic Calendar. Specifically, the SCC shall
review	and offer recommendations for action on: the Academic Calendars submitted by the
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	eviate from the Academic Calendar; issues related to closures, academic holidays, and as for academic holidays; and any other similar topic assigned to it.
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	CC shall be composed of voting faculty members, a voting student member, and ex officio
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	shall be one student member recommended by the Student Government Association.

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There shall be two ex officio nonvoting members.

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One representative of the Provost's office that is responsible for preparing academic calendars, nominated by the Provost; and

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One representative of the President nominated by the President.

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# 1.4.2.1.4 Senate Faculty Affairs Committee (SFAC)

# 1.4.2.1.4.1 Charge

The SFAC is responsible for topics and policies related to faculty employment and promotion of the vitality of the University's faculty. Specifically, the SFAC shall review and recommend action on issues related to: performance reviews and standards for evaluation; promotion and tenure; employee benefits; work-life matters; recruitment and retention; issues raised by the Senate Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure; and any other similar topic assigned to it.

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The SFAC does not have any final decision-making authority.

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# 1.4.2.1.4.2 Composition

The SFAC shall be composed of voting faculty members and nonvoting ex officio members.

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The chair shall be one of the voting faculty members.

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# 1.4.2.1.4.2.2 Voting Faculty Members

The SFAC shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct business.

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# 1.4.2.1.4.2.3 Nonvoting Ex Officio Members

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### 1.4.2.11.4.2.2 Senate Rules and Elections Committee (SREC)

#### 1.4.2.2.1 Charge

The SREC is charged with codifying, making editorial changes in, and interpreting, the Rules of the Senate, at the direction or with the approval of either the Senate Council or the Senate. It shall be responsible for initiating any changes in the Rules concerning the organization of the Senate (SR 1). It shall also evaluate and revise any section of the Rules where necessary to eliminate inconsistencies, clarify confusing statements, and note omissions, and may initiate and suggest to the Senate Council any necessary modification in the Rules.

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The SREC shall certify faculty member eligibility in elections of Faculty Trustees, and in elections of University Faculty representatives to the Senate, to the Senate Council, to the academic councils, and to a Presidential Search Committee. In addition, the SREC shall recommend to the University Senate election policies and procedures.

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#### 1616 1.4.2.2.1.1 Extent of Authority

617 The SREC has final decision-making authority regarding: codifying, making editorial changes in, and interpreting the Senate Rules, at the direction of or with the approval of either the Senate 618 Council or the Senate; evaluating and revising any section of the Rules where necessary to eliminate inconsistencies, clarify confusing statements, and note ommissions; and certifying faculty eligibility in elections.

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# 1.4.2.2.2 Composition

The SREC shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)

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# 1.4.2.21.4.2.3 Senate Admissions and Academic Standards Committee (SAASC)

# 1.4.2.3.1 Charge

The SAASC is charged to examine and recommend to the University Senate changes: in the admission requirements and grading rules; standards for granting academic credit; probation and suspension procedures; and degree and graduation requirements. Basically Generally, the SAASC shall review Sections IV and V of the Senate Rules but may consider other related areas. It shall also make recommendations regarding significant changes to programs <insert SR reference to significant changes>. Recommendations by the SAASC on conditions of merit and circumstance for (1) graduation requirements, (2) honors with degrees that are conferred to graduating students (SR Error! Reference source not found.) and (3) Honorary Degrees conferred to others (SR Error! Reference source not found.), shall be acted upon by the elected University Faculty Senators, as per KRS 164.240.

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# 1.4.2.3.1.1 Extent of Authority

The SAASC does not have any final decision-making authority.

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# 1.4.2.3.2 Composition

The SAASC shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)

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#### 1.4.2.31.4.2.4 Senate Academic Facilities Committee (SAFC)

#### 1.4.2.4.1 Charge

The SAFC is charged with the responsibility of providing information and recommendations to the Senate about the alteration, construction, and allocation of all property and physical facilities that may affect the educational objectives of the University. In this regard, it shall be concerned about such matters as classrooms, buildings and grounds, shops and other such real property, audio-visual and television equipment, computers, duplication and printing facilities, vehicle pools, and scientific and musical instruments. The SAFC shall act in these ways:

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1. Serve the administration as a source of faculty information and opinion about the need, design, and priority and construction or renovation projects.

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2. Inform the Senate at least annually about problems relating to the alteration, construction, or allocation of academic facilities and about future plans and priorities for them. Whenever necessary, the SAFC may initiate action by preparing a recommendation to the administration, which should be routed through the Senate Council for Senate approval review.

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Maintain communication with the appropriate administrators about the current status and utilization of academic facilities. [US: 10/12/81]

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4. Study the use, renovation, and need for space (including classrooms) and equipment relevant to academic programs and functions. [US: 3/12/84]

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The SAFC does not have any final decision-making authority.

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# **1.4.2.4.2** Composition

The SAASC shall be shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)

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# 1.4.2.4 1.4.2.5 Senate Library Committee (SLC)

# 1.4.2.5.1 Charge

The SLC is charged with the responsibility for recommending to the University Senate policies to promote the educational interests of the University as a whole with respect to the Libraries, the faculty body of which is equivalent to the faculty of a college (GR VII.C.2). The SLC is responsible for consultation and advising with faculty of the Libraries or the Dean of Libraries, on such matters as are referred to it by the by the Libraries faculty, by the Dean, or by other University personnel, which pertain to improving the effectiveness of the Libraries as a part of the broad academic program of the University of Kentucky.

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The SLC does not have any final decision-making authority.

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#### **1.4.2.5.2** Composition

The SLC shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)

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# 1.4.2.51.4.2.6 Senate Research and Graduate Education Committee (SRGEC)

#### 1.4.2.6.1 Charge

The SRGEC shall be responsible for reviewing University research policies and their implementation. It shall also be responsible for reviewing graduate education policies and their implementation. In addition, it shall make recommendations to the University Senate regarding those policies and the priorities for them. [US: 9/9/2013]

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Graduate education includes postdoctoral scholars and postdoctoral fellows [SREC: 12/17/20131.

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# 1.4.2.6.2 **Composition**

The SRGEC shall be shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to 1714 1715 conduct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)

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#### 1.4.2.61.4.2.7 Senate Academic Programs (SAPC)

#### 1718 1.4.2.7.1 Charge

- 1719 The SAPC is charged with recommending action to the Senate on all new academic programs 1720 and significant program changes approved by prescribed lower levels of review (SR Error!
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- 1722 need, impact, and desirability of the academic program. In approving recommending approval of

a program, the Committee shall-may recommend a priority to indicate its importance and the immediacy with which it should be implemented. [US: 2/12/2018]

The Committee shall function mainly through three permanent subcommittees: Graduate Degree Programs, First Degree Programs (including undergraduate degree programs), and Professional and Pre-professional Degree programs. The appropriate subcommittee shall investigate the proposed new program or significant program change and present its evaluation to the full committee, which shall decide on its recommendation to the Senate. In ascertaining the appropriate subcommittee, and in acting upon the recommendations of the SAPC, ilt is the policy of the University Senate to adopt and utilize the definitions of the Council on Postsecondary Education that distinguish these different types of degree programs. [US: 2/12/2018]

# 1.4.2.7.1.1 Extent of Authority

The SAPC does not have any final decision-making authority.

# **1.4.2.7.2** Composition

The SAPC shall be shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)

# **1.4.2.7 1.4.2.8** Senate Academic Planning and Priorities Committee (SAPPC)

# 1.4.2.8.1 Charge

The SAPPC is charged with concern over major, broad, long-range plans and priorities. It shall:

1. Identify major academic problems likely to be faced by the University in the foreseeable future;

2. Fformulate and recommend to the Senate plausible academic goals for the institution;

3. Deevelop procedures and criteria for recommending academic priorities;

4. Recommend to the Senate institutional policies that recognize academic priorities and goals, as well as assess the progress of the institution toward its goals and report periodically to the Senate; and,

5. Recommend to the Senate a means for increasing the University's effectiveness in establishing and implementing its academic policies; and -

6. Serve the Senate and the administration as a source of faculty information and opinion concerning academic planning and priorities. [US: 4/10/89]

#### 1.4.2.8.1.1 Extent of Authority

The SAPPC does not have any final decision-making authority.

# 1.4.2.8.2 **Composition**

The SAPPC shall be shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)

1.4.2.81.4.2.9 Senate Academic Organization and Structure Committee (SAOSC)

#### 1776 1.4.2.9.1 Charge

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research centers and institutes; interdisciplinary instructional programs) 2. review and recommend Senate action on all proposals for abolishment or merger of existing educational units;

1. review and recommend to the University Senate priorities on all proposals for new

3. review and recommend Senate action on all proposals for major changes in organization and structure of educational units, including but not limited to suspension of admissions and closure of a degree or certificate;

educational units (colleges, schools, departments, graduate centers, multidisciplinary

- 4. make appropriate recommendations to the University Senate (and through the Senate to the President and/or Provost) regarding creation, abolition or alterations in organization or structure, or reporting relationships, of educational units throughout the University.
- 5. Study and report to the Senate on matters pertaining to faculty size and strength, and student enrollment. [US: 3/12/84]

# 1.4.2.9.1.1 Extent of Authority

The SAOSC does not have any final decision-making authority.

# 1.4.2.9.2 Composition

The SAOSC shall be shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to conduct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2)

# 1.4.2.91.4.2.10 Senate Reinstatement Committee (SRIC)

#### 1.4.2.10.1 Charge

The SRIC is a permanent subcommittee of the Senate Council. It makes final decisions on cases of students who have been academically suspended from the University a second time, whose readmission is dependent on the recommendation of the dean of the college in which the student plans to enroll and who have petitioned the Senate Council for readmission as per SR Error! Reference source not found...

# 1.4.2.10.1.1 Extent of Authority The SRIC has final decision-making authority regarding whether or not to readmit a student who

has been academically suspended twice from the University.

# 1.4.2.10.2 Composition The SRIC shall consist of the two voting faculty members and one voting student member.

The composition is as described in 1.4.2.10.3.1 and 1.4.2.10.3.2 unless the-Senate Council votes to name a different specific subset of not less than three of its members to constitute the committee. If so, if the Senate Council seeks to designate not more than one student member of the Senate Council as an SRIC member, but if-no student Senate Council member is available, then a student member shall be nominated to the Senate Council by the Student Government Association.

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1.4.2.10.2.2 Voting Members
The voting faculty members are The SRIC is comprised of the SC Chair and the SC Vice Chair,

1.4.2.10.2.3 Voting Student Members

The voting student member is the Student Government Association President.voting members of the Senate Council except if the Senate Council annually votes to name a specific subset of not less than three of its members to constitute the committee. In the latter case, if the Senate Council seeks to designate not more than one student member of the Senate Council as an SRIC member, but no student Senate Council member is available, then a student member shall be nominated to the Senate Council by the Student Government Association.

1.4.2.10 1.4.2.11 Senate Committee on Committees (SCC)

1.4.2.11.1 Charge

The SCC provides current Senate committee chairs with information and guidance regarding best practices for committee chairs. The SCC is comprised of the chairs of Senate's standing committees, the chairs of Senate's advisory committees, and the Senate Council Vice Chair, who are all voting members. The immediate past chairs of all these committees and the chairs of Senate's ad hoc committees shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members. (For purposes of this rule, the phrase "immediate past chair" means the person who served as chair of the committee during the preceding year.) The SCC shall be chaired by the Chair of the Senate Council. The SCC shall meet in the fall semester to help orient and acclimate Senate's committee chairs. The SCC shall meet in the spring semester to review committee activities for the past year and shall report on these activities to the SC prior to the end of the academic year. [US: 10/9/2017]

**1.4.2.11.1.1 Extent of Authority** 

The SCC does not have any final decision-making authority.

1.4.2.11.2 Composition

The SCC shall be comprised of the Senate Council Vice Chair and the members described in 1.4.2.11.3.1, 1.4.2.11.3.2, and 1.4.2.11.3.3, below.

1.4.2.11.2.1 Chair

The Senate Council Vice Chair shall chair the SCC.

1.4.2.11.2.2 Voting Faculty Membership

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The voting members of the SCC are the chairs of Senate's standing committees, the chairs of Senate's advisory committees, and the Senate Council Chair

1.4.2.11.2.3 Ex Officio Nonvoting Membership

The immediate past chairs of Senate standing, advisory, and ad hoc committees shall serve as ex officio nonvoting members. (For purposes of this rule, the phrase "immediate past chair" means the person who served as chair of the committee during the preceding year.)

1.4.2.11 Senate Advisory Committee on Appointment, Promotion and Tenure (SACAPT)

1.4.2.12.1 Charge

Membership: chairs of Academic Area Advisory Committees. The SACAPT is responsible for advising Purpose is to advise the Senate Council on policy matters pertaining to appointment, promotion, and tenure. [SREC: 1/31/2017]

	2.1.1 Extent of Authority
The SA	ACAPT does not have any final decision-making authority.
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	<b>2.2 Composition</b> ACAPT is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator or composed of more
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	2.2.1 Voting Faculty Members ACAPT is comprised of the chairs of Academic Area Advisory Committees.
1.4.3	STANDING COMMITTEES, GROUP 2
(Not no	ecessarily chaired by a member of the Senate or composed of a majority of members who
•	cted Faculty Senators)
<del>1.4.3.1</del>	1.4.2.13 Senate Committee on Distance Learning and eLearning (SCDLeL)
IUS: 13	2/9/2013; US: 12/12/2016]
-	3.1 Charge
The S0 learnin	DLeL shall identify, assess and address recommend policies issues related to distance g and eLearning and make recommendations to the University Senate for policies. cally, activities of the SCDLeL shall include the following areas:
1.	Identify issues related to distance learning and eLearning and recommend policies.
2.	Monitor and respond to the University Senate concerning SACS <u>COC</u> , state and federal regulations related to distance learning and eLearning.
3.	Recommend strategies for dissemination of distance learning and eLearning issues and policies.
	policies.
4.	Recommend strategies for effective implementation of distance learning and eLearning.
5.	Collaborate with other UK groups/committees on issues related to distance learning and eLearning as appropriate.
	3.1.1 Extent of Authority  CDLeL does not have any final decision-making authority.
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1.4.2.1	3.2 Composition
	CDLeL is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be
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The SC	CDLeL shall be shall be comprised of a sufficient number of elected faculty senators to
conduc	ct business. (see SR 1.4.1.1.2) The voting faculty membership of the committee shall be
	ally representative of the The committee shall make recommendations to the Senate
Counci	il for committee membership from the following categories:

1935 936 4. At least one member from colleges with active distance learning or eLearning programs. 937 938 1.4.2.13.2.3 Voting Student Members 939 There shall be two voting student members who must be enrolled in online courses or have 940 experience with online courses, recommended by the Student Government Association: 941 942 Oone undergraduate student; and 943 944 One graduate student. appointed by SGA (1 year term). 945 946 One graduate student (1 year term - selected from list of students nominated by colleges with 947 active distance learning/e-learning programs). 948 949 1.4.2.13.2.4 Ex Officio Nonvoting Members 950 There shall be four ex officio nonvoting members: 951 952 One member nominated by the department or office responsible for enhancing learning 953 and teaching (if applicable): 954 955 One member nominated by the department or office responsible for distance learning 956 programs; 957 958 One member nominated by the department or office responsible for information 959 technology: and 960 961 One member nominated by the department or office responsible for addressing 962 accessibility issues. 963 964 At least one member from each academic support unit involved in distance learning 965 including but not limited to CELT, Distance Learning Programs, Information Technology and a 1966 representative for accessibility issues. 1967 3.1. One undergraduate student appointed by SGA (1 year term). 1968 1969 1970 4.1. One graduate student (1 year term selected from list of students nominated by 1971 colleges with active distance learning/e-learning programs). 1972 1973 The Senate Council may appoint voting or nonvoting members to the committee at its discretion. 974 1975 NOTE: For the purposes of this rule, the following two definitions shall apply: 1976 1977 Distance Learning: —A formal educational process in which the majority of the instruction 1978 (interaction between students and instructors and among students) in a course occurs when 1979 students and instructors are not in the same physical location. Instruction may be synchronous 1980 or asynchronous. 1981

including management and delivery.

eLearning: —A broad combination of processes, content, and infrastructure to use computers

1.4.3.21.4.2.14 Senate Institutional Finances and Resources Allocation Committee (SIFRAC)

and networks to scale or improve one or more significant parts of a learning value chain,

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[US: 2/8/2010] The SIFRAC is a joint endeavor of the Staff Senate and University Senate.

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The purpose of the Senate's Institutional Finances and Resource Allocation Committee (SIFRAC) shall be to function in an advisory capacity to the Office of Planning, Budget, and Policy Analysis and inform the Staff Senate and University Senate University Senate Council and the Staff and University Senates on the present status of the prospective changes in the finances and other resources available to the University.

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The SIFRAC shall analyze public budget documents, published reports about financial and other trends; it, shall routinely solicit an informational session by a University financial officer on annual budget proposals and prospective intraacademic year budget cuts or modifications prior to their submission on the Board of Trustees.

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SIFRAC may receive specified directions from the University Senate and Staff Senate chairs jointly on items relative to the current fiscal situation.

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SIFRAC shall meet at least once a semester with the Vice President of Planning, Budget and Policy, and it shall meet as many times as deemed necessary by SIFRAC.

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SIFRAC shall submit an annual report. Reports of the minority are also acceptable.

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#### 1.4.2.14.1.1 Extent of Authority

2015 The SIFRAC does not have any final decision-making authority.

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#### <del>1.4.3.2.2</del>1.4.2.14.2 Composition

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The SIFRAC is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators. SIFRAC members optimally shall have financial and budgetary expertise relevant to University finances.

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#### 1.4.2.14.2.1 Chair

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A Staff Senate member will preside as chair.

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#### 1.4.2.14.2.2 Voting Faculty Members

The committee shall include three voting faculty members.

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#### 1.4.2.14.2.3 Voting Staff Members

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The committee shall include three voting staff members identified by the Staff Senate, in addition to the chair.

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SIFRAC shall be composed equally of senators appointed by the Executive Committee of the Staff Senate and approved by a majority vote of the Staff Senate, together with members chosen by the University Senate at a maximum committee size of six (6), plus the chair, SIFRAC members optimally shall have financial and budgetary expertise relevant to University finances.

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A Staff Senate member will preside as chair in even-numbered years, and a University Senate member will preside as chair in odd-numbered years.

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#### 1.4.3.2.3 Report

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SIFRAC shall submit an annual report. Reports of the minority are also acceptable.

2045 Neither the chair nor a majority of the SIFRAC members have to be elected members of the Senate. 1.4.3.31.4.2.15 Senate UK Core Education Committee (SUKCEC) [US: 2/3/86; 4/14/86; 10/12/87; 4/23/2001; 5/6/2013] "Program" refers to the UK Core (general education) program. 1.4.3.3.1 Composition [US: 11/13/2017; 2/10/2020; 5/2/2022] The UK Core Education Committee of the University Senate shall be composed of twelve (12) voting members. The Chair shall be a tenured faculty member selected and appointed by the Senate Council. The Chair shall not have a vote except in cases of ties. "Program" refers to the UK Core (general education) program. The University Faculty members on the UKCEC shall be appointed by the Senate Council who shall solicit nominations from the University Faculty prior to making appointments. Faculty members shall serve for staggered three-year. Each faculty member shall be eligible for reappointment for a second consecutive term, but ineligible for further reappointment until one year has elapsed. If a faculty member vacates a seat, and the Senate Council appoints a new member to complete the term, the partial term does not count toward the new member's limit of two consecutive terms. Two student members shall be appointed annually by the Senate Council from names recommended by the President of the Student Government Association. The composition of the appointed faculty membership of the UKCEC is as follows: One member from the College of Arts & Sciences for the area of Composition and Communication: One member from the College of Communication and Information for the area of Composition and Communication: One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry - Arts & Creativity; One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry - Humanities; One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry - Natural/Physical/Mathematical Sciences: One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry - Social Sciences; One member from the area of Citizenship - Community, Culture and Citizenship in the 

One member from the area of Citizenship – Global Dynamics;

- One member from the area of Statistical Inferential Reasoning; and
- One member from the area of Quantitative Foundations.

The SUKCEC Chair shall invite five ex-officio, nonvoting members to join the committee, from the following areas:

- Office of Assessment
- Enrollment Management
- Student and Academic Life
- University Libraries
- Center for the Enhancement of Learning and Teaching

#### 1.4.3.3.2 **Functions**

1.4.2.15.1 Charge

[US: 11/13/2017; 5/2/2022]

The UK Core Education Committee SUKCEC shall exercise the following functions:

 It shall recommend procedures and guidelines for designing and submitting course proposals for implementing the program.

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- 2. It shall recommend policies by which courses may receive UK Core designation.
- If called upon by Senate to do, it shall also broadly communicate these policies to all undergraduate colleges. (see SR 9.19<insert link>)
- 4. It shall recommend all courses which are proposed to the University Senate to fulfill the program requirements.
- 5. It shall maintain long-term oversight of the program, including periodic course review and program assessment to ensure that the program fulfills the learning outcomes.
- 6. It shall recommend to the Senate Council the deletion of courses (or pairs of courses) from the program that no longer seem appropriate to the program, and recommend to colleges or departments, through the Chair, such changes concerning teaching and content as it deems necessary or appropriate.
- It shall continue to work to enhance the program and assert the program's centrality to the undergraduate curriculum through involvement in university-wide planning and policy discussions related to the program.
- 8. Upon the recommendation of the Undergraduate Council or upon its own initiative, it shall develop and propose changes in the structure of the program or in the requirements necessary to complete the program to the Undergraduate Council, for approval and recommendation to the Senate Council and approval by the University Senate.
- 9. It shall report individual cases of temporary waivers of or temporary substitutions for program requirements to the Undergraduate Council.
- 10. It shall set policies for the granting of credit to transfer students for courses taken which are equivalent to those in the program and it shall communicate these policies to all <u>undergraduate colleges</u> (SR 9.19) on campus.

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#### 1.4.3.3.31.4.2.15.2 Waivers

All waivers of or substitutions for program requirements for particular categories of students, if approved or disapproved by the Committee, shall be submitted to the Senate Council (SC) for its approval by the Senate. The Senate Council's SC's approval of temporary waivers of or substitutions for, program requirements for particular categories of students shall be final.

#### 1.4.2.15.2.1 Extent of Authority

 The SUKCEC has final decision-making authority regarding: individual student requests for Core course exceptions and/or waivers; and individual student appeals if a UK Core course exception and/or waiver is initially denied.

#### 1.4.2.15.3 Composition

 The SUKCEC is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators.

#### 1.4.2.15.3.1 Chair

 The SUKCEC chair shall be a tenured faculty member appointed by the Senate Council. The chair is a voting member however the chair shall not have a vote except in cases of ties.

#### 1.4.2.15.3.2 Voting Faculty Members

 The University Faculty members on SUKCEC shall be appointed by the Senate Council after a campuswide solicitation of nominations from the University Faculty. The SUKCEC shall be composed of twelve (12) voting members.

 One member from the College of Arts & Sciences for the area of Composition and Communication;

 One member from the College of Communication and Information for the area of Composition and Communication;

One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry – Arts & Creativity;

One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry – Humanities;

 One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry – Natural/Physical/Mathematical Sciences;

• One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry – Social Sciences;

 One member from the area of Citizenship – Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA;

One member from the area of Citizenship – Global Dynamics;

One member from the area of Statistical Inferential Reasoning; and

• One member from the area of Quantitative Foundations.

#### 1.4.2.15.3.3 Voting Student Members

There shall be two voting student members recommended by the Student Government Association.

#### 2206 1.4.2.15.3.4 Ex Officio Nonvoting Members 2207 There shall be five nonvoting ex officio members: 2208 2209 One member from the Office of Assessment; 2210 2211 One member from Enrollment Management; 2212 2213 One member from Student and Academic Life; 2214 2215 One member from University Libraries: and 2216 2217 One member from the Center for the Enhancement of Learning and Teaching. 2218 2219 2220 1.4.3.41.4.2.16 Senate Admissions Advisory Committee (SAAC) 2221 2222 [US: 11/12/90] 2223 1.4.2.16.1 Charge 2224 The SAAC is responsible for recommending admissions policy within general guidelines 2225 established by the University Senate. The SAAC is charged to: 2226 2227 1. Establish Recommend the University's admissions management system, as described in 2228 SR Error! Reference source not found... 2229 2230 2. Submit File a written report to the Provost, through the Senate Council, recommending 2231 admissions objectives such as average ACT scores and desired size of each year's 2232 entering freshman class. A copy of the report shall be presented to the Senate Council. 2233 2234 Establish Recommend automatic admission criteria. 2235 2236 4. Upon the recommendation of the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management, 2237 approve any warranted deviations from the automatic admissions criteria. 2238 2239 5. After consultation with the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management, the SAAC 2240 may recommend to the Provost closing admissions on any of the following bases: 1) the 2241 desired class size has been reached; 2) the class is large enough given existing 2242 constraints; and 3) admissions objectives other than class size have been achieved. 2243 2244 6. Establish parameters for the decisions on exceptions, under which applicants may be 2245 admitted who have not met the automatic admissions criteria. 2246 2247 7. Request that the Provost provide specific data on admissions, enrollment, and student 2248 performance. 2249 2250 8. Request data from the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management for use in 2251 establishing or evaluating admissions policy. 2252

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The SAAC does not have any final decision-making authority-, except as provided in items 4 and 6 above.

Review and analyze the information provided in (7) and (8) above by the Provost and

Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management and disseminate the results of its review

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#### 2261 <u>1.4.2.16.2 Composition</u>

The SAAC is a standing committee of the University Senate. The SAAC shall be comprised of voting faculty members, ex officio voting members, and ex officio nonvoting members. It is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators

### 1.4.2.16.2.1 Chair

The SAAC must be chaired by one of the three appointed University Faculty members. In the case of a tie vote, the vote of the chair shall prevail.

#### 1.4.2.16.2.2 Voting Faculty Members

There shall be three University Faculty members.

#### 1.4.2.16.2.3 Ex Officio Voting Members

There shall be two ex officio voting members:

- The voting members of the SAAC are Tthe Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management; and
- T, the Chair of the Senate committee on Admissions and Academic Standards, and three additional University Faculty members appointed by the Senate Council to staggered three-year terms.

#### 1.4.2.16.2.4 Ex Officio Nonvoting Members

There shall be two ex officio nonvoting members: Ex officio, nonvoting members of the Committee are

- Tthe Associate Provost for Student and Academic Life; and
- T-the Assistant Provost for Strategic Planning (or that person's designee). The committee must be chaired by one of the three appointed University Faculty members. In the case of a tie vote, the vote of the chair shall prevail.

The SAAC is responsible for recommending admissions policy within general guidelines established by the University Senate. The SAAC is charged to:

- Establish the University's admissions management system, as described in SR 4.2.1.1.1.
- 2.1. File a written report to the Prevest recommending admissions objectives such as average ACT scores and desired size of each year's entering freshman class. A copy of the report shall be presented to the Senate Council.
- 3.1. Establish automatic admission criteria.
- 4.1. Upon the recommendation of the Assistant Provest for Enrollment Management, approve any warranted deviations from the automatic admissions criteria.
- 5.1. After consultation with the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management, the SAAC may recommend to the Provost closing admissions on any of the following bases: 1) the desired class size has been reached; 2) the class is large enough given existing constraints; and 3) admissions objectives other than class size have been achieved.

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2314	6.1. Establish parameters for the decisions on exceptions, under which applicants may be
2315	admitted who have not met the automatic admissions criteria.
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2324	Assistant Provest for Enrollment Management and disseminate the results of its review
2325	and analysis to the educational units.
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2328	1.4.3.51.4.2.17 Senate Retroactive Withdrawal Appeals Committee (SRWAC)
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2330	[US: 12/8/97; 4/13/2020; 12/14/2020]
2331	1.4.2.17.1 Charge
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2332 2333	The Committee shall decide all student requests for retroactive withdrawals as provided by SR
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2335	1.4.2.17.1.1 Extent of Authority
2336	The SRWAC has final decision-making authority regarding all student requests for retroactive
2337	withdrawals except in matters of cases of violation of student academic rights, which may be
2338	appealed to the UAB. (See SR 5.1.7.5.2.3)
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2340	1.4.2.17.2 Composition
2341	The SRWAC is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be
2342	composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators. When possible.
2343	at least one member shall have a medical background. The SRWAC shall be comprised of voting
2344	faculty membership, voting student membership, and ex officio nonvoting membership. When
2345	possible, at least one member shall have a medical background.
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2347	<u>1.4.2.17.2.1 Chair</u>
2348	The chair shall be one of the voting faculty members.
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2350	1.4.2.17.2.2 Voting Faculty Members
2351	There shall be The SRWAC shall consist of four members of the University Faculty plus a
2352	sufficient number of alternates in case a regular member cannot attend.
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2354	1.4.2.17.2.3 Voting Student Members
2355	There shall be one voting student member recommended by the Student Government
2356	Association.
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2358	1.4.2.17.2.4 Ex Officio Nonvoting Members
2359	There shall be five ex officio nonvoting members:
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2361	<ul> <li>and one student, plus: a sufficient number of alternates, named by the Senate Council.</li> </ul>
2362	A representative of the Associate VP for Employment Equity;
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2364	<ul> <li>A, a representative of the Counseling and Testing Center;</li> </ul>
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2367	<ul> <li>A, a representative from the Advising Network;</li> </ul>
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•	A, a representative from the Provost Committee on Advising; and
•	A, and a representative from the Assistant Dean of Students directing the Disability Resource Center
	erve as ex officio nonvoting members of the Committee. When possible, at least one
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[US: 4	/10/2000; 11/13/2017; 4/13/2020]
	18.1 Charge
The co	ommittee shall:
<u>1.</u>	Regularly review the effectiveness and accountability of academic advising through
	the University
<u>2.</u>	Recommend standards for the quality of academic advising
2	Make recommendations regarding academic advising
<u>3.</u>	Make recommendations regarding academic advising
<u>4.</u>	Review and recommend proposals regarding academic advising. [4/10/2000]
1.4.2.	18.1.1 Extent of Authority
	ACAC does not have any final decision-making authority.
1 / 2 -	18.2 Composition
	AAC is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be
compo	osed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators. The SACAC
	be comprised of voting faculty members, voting student members, and ex officio nonvo
<u>memb</u>	<u>ers.</u>
	18.2.1 Chair
The cl	nair shall be one of the voting faculty members.
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	acAC shall consist of There shall be three elected faculty members from the University
Senat	e who are currently advising students.
1.4.2.	18.2.3 Voting Student Members
There	shall be; three students (two voting student senators members recommended by the
<u>Stude</u>	nt Government Association and also one student at large, recommended by ????.
1.4.2.	18.2.4 Ex Officio Voting Members
	shall be four ex officio nonvoting members:
	Three professional advisors, selected by a process adopted by the UK Advising Net
_	and approved by the Senate Council; and
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•	One member from the Provost Committee on Advising.

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### 1.4.2.18.2.5 Ex Officio Nonvoting Membership

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Student Government Association; three professional advisors, selected by a process adopted by the UK Advising Network and the Senate Council; one member from the Provost Committee on Advising; and one ex officio member:

There shall be one ex officio nonvoting member:

-Tthe Associate Provost for Student and Academic Life. The committee shall:

to be selected by the Senate Council upon the recommendation of the President of the

Regularly review the effectiveness and accountability of academic advising throughout the University

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Set standards for the quality of academic advising

Make recommendations to the Senate Council regarding academic advising

4. Advise the Senate Council about all recommendations or proposals to the Senate regarding academic advising. [4/10/2000]

### 1.4.3.71.4.2.19 Senate Technology Committee (STC)

[US: 2/11/2019] 1.4.2.19.1 Charge

The Senate Technology Committee shall be composed of six (6) members of the University Faculty with a broad range of technological expertise and experience, and representative of multiple University colleges and departments, appointed by the Senate Council to staggered three-year terms, and one student member, appointed to a one-year term by the Senate Council in consultation with the president of the Student Government Association. Ex officio, non-voting members of the Committee shall be the UK Chief Information Officer (or that person's designee) and the chair of the Senate Committee on Distance Learning and eLearning (SCDLeL). The Committee chair must be one of the six appointed University Faculty members. The six University Faculty members and the one student member are voting members of the Committee.

The Senate Technology CommitteeSTC is broadly concerned with all issues related to information technology (IT) at UK. The STC's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Recommend Provide a formal channels for Senate of -communication between faculty/students and UK Information Technology Services (ITS) and other administrative units concerning University technology infrastructures, services, policies, and procedures.
- 2. If called upon by Senate to do so, rReview proposals from ITS<sub>τ</sub> and other administrative units, regarding University technology infrastructure, services, policies, and procedures and make recommendations to the University Senate Council concerning endorsement and or change.
- 3. Bring proposals and recommendations to the University Senate Council concerning any technology issue that may affect the educational objectives and mission of the University (GR IV.C.6) or concerning the application of technology to policy or procedure for faculty personnel matters (GR IV.C.7).
- 4. Review and make recommendations to the University Senate Council concerning any matter in which the proposed application of technology constitutes an educational policy

2477 issue (GR IV.C.1), when the Senate Council determines that responsibility for the 2478 particular matter is not charged to any other Senate committee. 2479 2480 5. Make recommendations to the University Senate Council for faculty membership on the 2481 Committee and for selection of the Committee chair-2482 1.4.2.19.1.1 Extent of Authority 2483 The STC does not have any final decision-making authority. 2484 485 1.4.2.19.2 Composition 2486 The STC is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be 2487 composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators. The STC shall 488 be comprised of voting faculty members, voting student members, and ex officio nonvoting 489 members. 490 2491 1.4.2.19.2.1 Chair 492 The STC chair must be one of the six appointed University Faculty members. 493 2494 1.4.2.19.2.2 Voting Faculty Membership 2495 There shall be six members of the University Faculty with a broad range of technological 496 expertise and experience who are broadly representative of the University 497 498 1.4.2.19.2.3 Voting Student Membership There shall be one one student member recommended by the Student Government Association. 499 500 2501 1.4.2.19.2.4 Ex Officio Nonvoting Membership 2502 There shall be two ex officio nonvoting members: 2503 2504 The UK Chief Information Officer (or that person's designee); and 2505 2506 The chair of the Senate Committee on Distance Learning and eLearning (SCDLeL). 2507 2508 2509 1.4.2.20 Senate Advisory Committee on Disability Accommodation and Compliance 2510 (SACDAC) 2511 2512 [US: 12/10/2012] 2513 2514 Composition 2515 2516 The SACDAC is a standing committee of the University Senate. The voting members of the 2517 SACDAC are the Director of the Center for the Enhancement of Learning and Teaching (CELT). 2518 or that person's designee, and four University Faculty members appointed by the Senate 2519 Council. The four University Faculty members shall serve staggered three-year terms. Ex officio, 2520 nonvoting members of the Committee are the Academic Ombud, the Director of the Disability 2521 Resource Center (DRC), a DRC learning specialist, and the Associate Vice President for 2522 Institutional Equity or that person's designee. The committee shall be chaired by one of the four 2523 appointed University Faculty members. The SACDAC is responsible for recommending

educational policy within general guidelines established by the University Senate.

Committee Charge

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#### 1.4.2.20.1.1 Charge

<u>The SACDAC is charged to responsible for recommending educational policy within general guidelines established by the University Senate. Specifically, the SCDAC is charged to:</u>

- 1. Recommend to the Senate Council educational policies and implementation practices that appropriately address the accommodations standards stipulated in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Law and Sections 504/508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 for students who have documented disabilities.
- 2. Recommend solutions Hear and render decisions on for issues reported by from faculty members or the DRC pertaining to the implementation of educational policies as they relate to practices for disability accommodation and regulatory compliance.
- Monitor the alignment between the University Senate's educational policies and Federal compliance and accommodation regulations, and recommend educational policy revisions, as warranted.

<u>Issue an annual report on the work of the SACDAC for consideration by the Senate Council, the University Senate and the wider University community.</u>

#### 1.4.2.20.1.2 Extent of Authority

The SCDAC does not have any final decision-making authority.

#### **1.4.2.20.2 Composition**

The SACDAC is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator nor is it required to be composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators. The SACDAC shall be comprised of voting faculty members, ex officio voting members, and ex officio nonvoting members.

#### 1.4.2.20.2.1 Chair

The SCDAC shall be chaired by one of the four appointed University Faculty members.

#### 1.4.2.20.2.2 Voting Faculty Members

There shall be four voting faculty members.

#### 1.4.2.20.2.3 Ex Officio Voting Members

There shall be one voting ex officio member:

• The Director of the Center for the Enhancement of Learning and Teaching (CELT), or that person's designee.

#### 1.4.2.20.2.4 Ex Officio Nonvoting Membership

There shall be four ex officio nonvoting members:

- The Academic Ombud;
- The Director of the Disability Resource Center (DRC);
- A DRC learning specialist; and
- The Associate Vice President for Institutional Equity or that person's designee.

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#### 1.4.2.21 Senate Advisory-Committee on Diversity and Inclusion (SACDI)

[US: 2/12/2018]

#### 1.4.2.21.1 Charge

The SCDI is charged with: promoting diversity among senators, in particular representation of underrepresented minorities; working with senior leadership to disseminate best practices for recruiting and retaining faculty of color and other underrepresented groups; and addressing other issues around diversity and inclusion as they arise.

#### **1.4.2.21.1.1 Extent of Authority**

The SCDI does not have any final decision-making authority.

#### 1.4.2.21.2 Composition

The SCDI is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator or composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators. The SCDI shall be composed of voting faculty members, voting student members, and ex officio nonvoting members.

#### 1.4.2.21.2.1 Chair

The SCDI shall be chaired by one of the six University Faculty members.

#### 1.4.2.21.2.2 Voting Faculty Members

The SACDI is an advisory committee of the University Senate and its membership is appointed by the SC. There shall be sSix voting University Faculty members shall be voting members.

#### 1.4.2.21.2.3 Voting Student Members

There shall be <u>Itwo</u> voting <u>student members</u> recommended by the <u>Student Government</u> Association. <u>nominated by the Student Government Association (SGA) shall also be voting members. The University Faculty members shall serve staggered three-year terms and the SGA's nominees shall serve one-year terms.</u>

#### 1.4.2.21.2.4 Ex Officio Nonvoting Members

There shall be two The SACDI shall also have two ex officio nonvoting nonvoting members:..

Two individuals, who shall be recommended by the Vice President for Institutional Diversity, both of whom shall have UK-related responsibilities pertaining to diversity and inclusivity. Members may serve consecutive terms but must be reappointed by Senate Council.

The SC shall appoint a chair from one of the six University Faculty members.

#### Charge

The SACDI is charged with: increasing diversity among senators, in particular representation of underrepresented minorities; working with senior leadership to disseminate best practices for recruiting and retaining faculty of color and other underrepresented groups; and addressing other issues around diversity and inclusion as they arise.

#### 1.4.3 Lewis Honors College Faculty

[US: 12/10/2012; 5/6/2019]

Pursuant to GR VII.E.2.c, the University Senate may delegate respective authorities to the Honors College Faculty or the Honors College Faculty Council concerning the curricular requirements leading to the Honors credential.

#### Charge to Lewis Honors College Faculty

## 1.4.3.1 Charge to Lewis Honors College Faculty [US; 5/6/2019]

<u>The Honors College Faculty, or as delegated to the Lewis Honors College Council, shall exercise the following functions:</u>

- 1. It has jurisdiction over the educational policies of the Honors College (GR VII.A.1), including such matters as academic requirements, curricula, and course offerings in the HON series. It also has approval of honors sections of departmental courses, undergraduate research, and service-learning courses, and academic policy components of the ersidential community associated with the Honors College. Following the policies and principles in the Governing Regulations and the University Senate Rules, it shall make recommendations to the University Senate on educational matters that require the approval of that body (GR VII.E.2).
- 2. It shall approve (or not), or as it delegates shall supervise the approval of, all sections of existing courses which are proposed by colleges, departments, schools, or other units to fulfill the Honors curricular requirements. On behalf of the Lewis Honors College Faculty, the associate dean of the Lewis Honors College shall send the list of approved sections to the University Registrar's Office for inclusion in the Schedule of Classes.
- 3. It shall establish, or as it delegates shall supervise the approval of, a process to approve faculty to teach Honors courses or departmental honors sections (Honors courses taught by other units).
- 4. It shall establish, or as it delegates shall supervise the establishment of, guidelines for the Honors College Course Agreement between an individual Honors College student and an individual faculty person that will be used when a student wishes to complete for Honors credit an undergraduate course that has not been designated as an Honors course (i.e., those not designated as HON courses or as "H" designated sections of regular undergraduate courses).
- 5. It shall, through the dean of the Lewis Honors College, report periodically to the University Senate concerning the activities of the Honors College, including the teaching and content of all courses and sections selected to fulfill the Honors curricular requirements.
- 6. It shall consider and propose improvements which will enhance the Honors curriculum and its impact on the undergraduate curriculum.
- 7. Upon the recommendation of the dean of the Honors College, or upon its own initiative, it shall consider and propose necessary changes in the educational structure of the college or in its academic requirements.
- 8. It shall set, or as it delegates, shall supervise the setting of off, policies for the granting of credit to transfer students for courses taken which are equivalent to those in the Honors curriculum and it shall communicate these policies to all colleges of the University.

#### 1.4.3.2 Extent of Authority

The Within the University Senate Rules, the Lewis Honors College Faculty has the final-siimarly decision-making authority for educational unit courses and programs similar to anyas do other unit or program faculty.

## 1.4.3.3 Juridiction 1.4.3.7.1 Jurisdiction

The Honors College is an educational unit, where completion of the Honors curriculum leads to an academic graduation credential of University Honors.

Subject to the *University Senate Rules*, educational policy concerning the Honors curriculum is decided, or recommended to the University Senate, by procedures determined by the Honors Faculty in the approved Lewis Honors College Faculty Rules. The Lewis Honors College Faculty Rules may delegate to the Lewis Honors College Council decisions concerning Lewis Honors College educational policies. (GR VII.E.2) [US: 5/6/2019]

### 1.4.3.4 Composition

#### 1.4.3.7.2 MembershipComposition

The Lewis Honors College faculty is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator or composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators.

Membership of the Lewis Honors College Faculty is prescribed by <u>GR\_VII.E.2.a.</u> Membership of the Lewis Honors College Council is as prescribed in the approved Lewis Honors College Faculty Rules (<u>GR\_VII.E.2.b</u>).

#### 1.4.3.7.3 1.1.1.1.1 Charge to Lewis Honors College Faculty

#### [US; 5/6/2019]

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- 2.1. It shall approve (or not), or as it delegates shall supervise the approval of, all sections of existing courses which are proposed by colleges, departments, schools, or other units to fulfill the Honors curricular requirements. On behalf of the Lewis Honors College Faculty, the associate dean of the Lewis Honors College shall send the list of approved sections to the University Registrar's Office for inclusion in the Schodule of Classes.
- 3.1. It shall establish, or as it delegates shall supervise the approval of, a process to approve faculty to teach Honors courses or departmental honors sections (Honors courses taught by other units).

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- 6.1. It shall consider and propose improvements which will enhance the Henors curriculum and its impact on the undergraduate curriculum.
- 7.1. Upon the recommendation of the dean of the Honors College, or upon its own initiative, it shall consider and propose necessary changes in the educational structure of the collegeor in its academic requirements.
- 8.1. It shall set, or as it delegates shall supervise the setting efef, policies for the granting of credit to transfer students for courses taken which are equivalent to those in the Honors curriculum and it shall communicate these policies to all colleges of the University.

#### 1.4.3.7.4 1.4.3.5 Unit Faculty Rules for Educational Policy-making

Pursuant to <u>Governing Regulations</u> VII.E.2.c, the Lewis Honors College Faculty shall provide the Lewis Honors College Faculty Rules document its procedures for the above processes in educational policy-making.

#### **1.4.4** 1.4.4 SENATE ADVISORY COMMITTEES

#### 1.4.4.1 Senate Advisory Committee on Faculty Code (SACFC)

The SACFC shall carry out duties conferred on it by the Faculty Code (SR Section 7). These shall include the following: to receive reports of mediation efforts by the deans; to hold hearings and make findings as to violations and sanctions, if any; and to forward recommendations to the Provost.

#### 1.4.4.1 Senate Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure (SACPT)

#### 1.4.4.2.11.1.1.1.1 Committee Membership

The committee will be comprised of ten tenured faculty members with expertise encompassing the areas of the committee's charge. The committee membership will be structured in the following way: four Regular Title Series; two Special Title Series (clinical areas); two Special Title Series (nonclinical areas); one Librarian Title Series; one Extension Title Series. For each given case, the committee Chair will identify a minimum of five members to participate in the hearing, deliberation, and disposition of the case, with the goal that in cases involving faculty at least one member will be in the same title series as the heard potitioner, and that cases will be heard during the summer as well as during the academic year. Members of this academic advisory committee are appointed by the President, as Chair of the University Senate, from nominations submitted by the Senate

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Council of full-time tenured faculty employees who do not occupy a position of administrative academic supervision over faculty personnel.

#### 1.4.4.2.2 <u>1.4.4.1.1</u> Committee Charge

#### **1.4.4.2.2.1 1.4.4.1.1.1** Scope of Committee Jurisdiction

Except for cases of dismissal for cause (subsection 1.4.4.4.2.2.1, below), the SACPT is to consider whether

 violation of procedures (as established by University-level regulations/policies, or by the college, or by the department faculty; <u>GR\_VII.A.6.c</u>; <u>GR\_VII.B.3</u>; <u>GR\_VII.E.2-5</u>),

2. violation of privilege, or

3. violation of academic freedom,

have affected the outcome of decisions made in the processes of faculty reappointment, terminal reappointment, non-renewal of appointment, promotion and/or tenure. Cases of complaint on the substantive merit of administrative decisions in these faculty personnel processes are instead to be submitted through established administrative channels as prescribed by GR I.F.

Similarly, the SACPT does not consider complaints relating to the substantive merit of administrative decisions on salary, faculty performance review, distribution of effort, allocation of resources, etc. (for which the administrative appeal procedure of <u>GR</u> I.F is applicable). However, if an issue instead involves violation of established procedure, violation of privilege or violation of academic freedom, and if the petitioner both (i) exhausts the process of <u>GR</u> I.F through the level of the Provost and the issue remains unresolved and (ii) satisfies the burden of making a prima facie case to the SACPT that the particular violation of procedure, privilege or academic freedom is of such a nature as to potentially significantly impinge on the petitioner's reappointment, terminal reappointment, non-renewal of appointment, promotion and/or tenure, then the SACPT may elect to consider the case.

As long as the faculty employee follows the process prescribed in the above paragraph of SR 1.4.4.2.2.1, the SACPT gains jurisdiction to elect to consider allegations that "the particular violation...is of such a nature as to potentially significantly impinge on the petitioner's...tenure." [SREC: 2/8/2019]

For the purposes of this scope of charge to the SACPT, "academic freedom" is as defined in <u>GR</u> X.B.3.b (para. 1). Issues of academic freedom of an "administrator holding academic rank" relate to the individual's exercise of academic freedom in the capacity as a member of the faculty of an educational unit.

#### 1.4.4.2.2.2 1.4.4.1.1.2 Specific areas of committee charge

The Committee is charged with giving consideration to the following matters as referred to it by the President, by any University faculty employee, or by certain University staff employees of educational units in the following situations.

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1.4.4.2.2.2.1 1.4.4.1.1.2.1 Dismissal from employment
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The Committee may consider dismissals from employment (GR X.B.1.f) that involve:

 cases of termination of appointment for cause of a tenured faculty member arising from allegation of incompetency, neglect of or refusal to perform their duty, or for immoral conduct (KRS 164.230);

2. cases of dismissal of an employee for cause during a limited appointment, arising from allegation of incompetency, neglect of or refusal to perform their duty, or for immoral conduct (KRS 164.230; GR X.B.1.f);

3. cases of termination of a tenure appointment or the dismissal of a person prior to expiration of a non-tenure appointment because of a financial emergency (GR X.B.1.f).

As prescribed by <u>GR</u> X.B.1.f.2, the SACPT shall make an informal investigation. The petitioner shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard by the SACPT, for the purpose of attempting to effect a resolution mutually agreeable to the President and the faculty employee. In the case that such a resolution is not obtained, the SACPT shall recommend to the President whether, in its opinion, dismissal proceedings should be undertaken. The subsequent disposition of the matter by the President shall be as prescribed in GR X.B.1.e.

## 1.4.4.2.2.2.2 Violation of academic freedom or insufficient notice of nonrenewal

The Committee may consider certain cases of allegation of violation of academic freedom or insufficient notice of non-renewal that involve:

  cases of allegation by a faculty member on a non-tenure appointment that a decision for non-reappointment violates his or her academic freedom as a faculty member (<u>GR</u> X.B.1.g);

 cases of allegation by a University administrator holding academic rank, or by a postdoctoral scholar, postdoctoral fellow, resident, clinical fellow, teaching assistant, or research assistant that a decision to terminate his or her appointment to his or her administrative post, or not to reappoint him or her, violates his or her academic freedom (<u>GR\_X.B.1.h</u>; <u>GR\_X.D</u>; <u>AR\_5:4</u>; AR\_5.5);

 cases of non-renewal of a faculty employee's probationary appointment with less advance notice than specified by the <u>Governing Regulations</u> (GR X.B.1.e);

As prescribed by <u>GR</u> X.B.1.f, when the petitioner lodges their complaint in writing to the Chair of the SACPT, the SACPT shall make an informal investigation, including affording the petitioner shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard by the SACPT, for the purpose of attempting to effect a resolution mutually agreeable to the President and the petitioner. In the case that such a resolution is not obtained, the SACPT shall recommend to the President whether, in its opinion, the decision to terminate or not reappoint should be sustained. The subsequent disposition of the matter by the President shall be as prescribed in <u>GR</u> X.B.1.f.

#### 1.4.4.2.2.2.3 1.4.4.1.1.2.3 Other alleged violations

The Committee may consider allegations of violation of established procedure, academic privilege and/or academic freedom that involve:

1.a faculty employee's terminal reappointment, promotion and/or tenure (AR 2:1)

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2.cases of allegation by a faculty member on a non-tenured appointment that a decision for nonreappointment violates either <u>GR I.D.f.a</u> or <u>GR X.A.1</u> dealing with certain discriminatory practices.

#### 1.4.4.2.2.2.4 1.4.4.1.1.2.4 Procedures

The petitioner must submit to the Chair of the SACPT a letter initiating the appeal within 60 days, and the appeal and supporting documentation within 75 days, after written notification by the dean of a final decision of nonrenewal, terminal reappointment or disapproval of promotion and/or tenure.

The SACPT may extend the 75-day deadline by majority vote.

The function of the committee in all such cases is to first exercise informal vetting processes to attempt to effect a resolution that makes a formal recommendation to the President for action unnecessary. In cases where such an informal resolution is not obtained, the committee will exercise formal processes of investigation, including affording to the petitioner shall be afforded an opportunity to appear before the SACPT. With copy to the petitioner, the SACPT will submit to the President its analysis of the alleged violations and will recommend to the President what commensurate remedial action, if any, ought to be taken. The President, or upon the President's delegation the Provost, shall notify the petitioning faculty employee and the SACPT in writing of the decision.

#### **1.4.4.2.2.3 1.4.4.1.1.3** Interpretation of policies

The SACPT may, upon request, advise individual faculty members, the President, the Provost or educational unit chief administrative officers on the interpretation of University regulations on faculty appointment, reappointment, promotion, tenure, privilege and academic freedom, with copies of the interpretation being sent to the University Senate Council, the President, the Provost and as applicable, the chair of the department $_{\bar{\imath}}$  and the dean.

#### 1.4.4.2.2.4 1.4.4.1.1.4 Issues of privilege as scholars

The SACPT also may consider allegations by faculty members who believe that their privilege as scholars has been abridged or abused. Faculty members should address statements to the chair of the SACPT setting forth in detail the reasons why they believe their privilege has been abridged or abused. The SACPT will review the statement and determine whether conditions warrant further investigation. Upon investigation the SACPT will make recommendations to the faculty member and file a copy with the President and the Provost. Recommendations may be made also to the President with a copy sent to the faculty member and Provost.

#### **1.4.4.2.2.5 1.4.4.1.1.5** Recommendations on Policies

The SACPT is also charged with making a continuing study of regulations on faculty appointment, reappointment, promotion, tenure, privilege and academic freedom, making recommendations to the University Senate.

### 1.4.4.2.2.6 1.4.4.1.1.6 Reports and Records

At the end of each academic year the SACPT will provide to the Senate Council a generalized report of the issues and resolutions of the cases filed with it that year, including any consequent recommendations of the SACPT for action by the Senate or Senate Council. At the conclusion of

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the committee's disposition of each case, or collectively at the end of the academic year, for purposes of records retention, the Chair of the committee shall forward to the University President's Office the case documents filed to the committee, any other official evidentiary documents generated by the committee, and the record of the committee's disposition of the case if the latter has not already been submitted to the President.

#### 1.4.4.2.2.7 <u>1.4.4.1.1.7</u> Rights of Petitioner

The right of a faculty employee to file with the SACPT Chair a request for a hearing pursuant to SR <u>0</u>1.4.3.1.1.2.1–3 and <u>0</u>1.4.3.1.1.4 shall not be impeded. The investigatory hearing process exercised by the SACPT shall include the rights prescribed in SR <u>0</u>1.4.3.2.1. [US: 2/8/2016]

- \* The Senate Rules reserve to the course instructor the authority to make those course educational policies not prescribed by the unit Faculty or (higher college/Senate) bodies. If a faculty employee believes that a unit Faculty or higher faculty body, or an administrator, has made a policy that abridges that course instructor's prerogatives (academic freedom) to make course educational policy, the individual may bring that complaint to the Senate Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure. [SREC: 9/2009]
- If a grade originally submitted to the Registrar by the Instructor of Record becomes improperly changed in a context that the Instructor of Record believes is a violation of his or her academic privilege, the Instructor of Record has the right to lodge a complaint with the Senate Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure ("SACPT"; SR 01.4.3.1). If the committee finds in favor of the Instructor of Record, the committee is authorized to recommend to the President that the President direct the Registrar to change the grade back to the grade originally submitted by the Instructor of Record. [SREC: 9/12/11]
- \* The "written comments" on course evaluations are not to be made available by the University to third parties. In addition, the University Senate's policy for release of numerical course ratings only applies to undergraduate courses. [SREC: 11/10/11]

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#### 1.4.4.1.1.8 Extent of Authority

The SACPT does not have any final decision-making authority.

#### 1.4.4.1.2 Committee Composition Membership

 The SACPT is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator or composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators.

The committee will be comprised of ten tenured faculty members with expertise encompassing the areas of the committee's charge. The committee membership will be structured in the following way: four Regular Title Series; two Special Title Series (clinical areas); two Special Title Series (nonclinical areas); one Librarian Title Series; one Extension Title Series. For each given case, the committee Chair will identify a minimum of five members to participate in the hearing, deliberation, and disposition of the case, with the goal that in cases involving faculty at least one member will be in the same title series as the heard petitioner, and that cases will be heard during the summer as well as during the academic year. Members of this academic advisory committee are appointed by the President, as Chair of the University Senate, from nominations submitted by the Senate Council of full-time tenured faculty employees who do not occupy a position of administrative academic supervision over faculty personnel.

#### 1.4.4.3 1.4.4.2 University Senate Hearing Panel (Privilege and Tenure) (USHP)

#### 1.4.4.3.1 Composition and Jurisdiction

The University Senate Hearing Panel consisting of fifteen (15) members shall be appointed for staggered three-year terms by the President from a list of nominees recommended by the Senate Council. From this panel an <u>ad hoc</u> Hearing Committee shall be chosen to hear a case arising from

1. dismissal of a faculty member with continuous tenure; or

 dismissal of a non-tenured faculty member before the end of that person's specified term of appointment; or

 allegation of the violation of the academic freedom of a non-tenured faculty member, an administrator, or of a terminated postdoctoral scholar, postdoctoral fellow, resident, clinical fellow, teaching assistant, or research assistant (<u>GR\_X.D; AR\_5.5</u>).

The Hearing Committee shall consist of five members chosen by lot from the USHP. Members shall remove themselves from a case, either at the request of a party, or on their own initiative if they deem themselves disqualified for reason of bias or conflict of interest. Each party shall have a maximum of two challenges without stated cause. If the panel should be exhausted before an acceptable committee has been obtained, five supplementary members shall be appointed to the panel by the same procedure from which members of the committee may be selected. The committee shall select its own chair.

For SREC interpretation of SR 1.4.4.3.1, see SREC minutes from June 11, 2018. (available HERE). [SREC: 6/11/2018]

#### 1.4.4.3.2 1.4.4.2.1 Procedures

The committee USHP will conduct the hearing and report its findings as described in <u>GR X.B.1.f.</u> 2. In addition, the committee will adhere to the following procedures:

- The faculty member will be afforded an opportunity to obtain necessary witnesses and documentary or other evidence, and the administration will, in so far as it is possible for it to do so, secure the cooperation of such witnesses and make available necessary documents and other evidence within its control.
- The faculty member and the administration will have the right to confront and crossexamine all witnesses. Where the witness cannot or will not appear, but the committee determines that the interests of justice require admission of that person's statement, the committee will identify the witness, disclose the statement of that witness and if possible provide for interrogatories.
- 3. The hearing committee will not be bound by strict rules of legal evidence, and may admit any evidence which is of probative value in determining the issues involved. Every possible effort will be made to obtain the most reliable evidence available.
- 4. The hearing committee will grant adjournments to enable either party to investigate evidence as to whether a valid claim of surprise is made.
- 5. The findings of fact and the decisions will be based solely on the hearing record.
- 6. Except for such simple announcements as may be required covering the time of the hearing and similar matters, public statements and publicity about the case by either the faculty member or the administrative officers will be avoided so far as possible until the proceedings have been completed, including consideration by the Board of Trustees.

#### 1.4.4.2.1.1 Extent of Authority

The USHP does not have any final decision-making authority.

## 1.4.4.2.2 Composition and Establishment of the Ad Hoc Hearing Committee

The USHP is not required to be chaired by an elected faculty senator or composed of more than one-half of members who are elected faculty senators.

The USHP consists of fifteen (15) members who shall be appointed for staggered three-year terms by the President from a list of nominees recommended by the Senate Council. From this panel an ad hoc Hearing Committee shall be chosen to hear a case arising from

- 1. dismissal of a faculty member with continuous tenure; or
- 2. dismissal of a non-tenured faculty member before the end of that person's specified term of appointment; or
- 3. allegation of the violation of the academic freedom of a non-tenured faculty member, an administrator, or of a terminated postdoctoral scholar, postdoctoral fellow, resident, clinical fellow, teaching assistant, or research assistant (GR X.D; AR 5:4; AR 5.5).

The Hearing Committee shall consist of five members chosen by lot from the USHP. Members shall remove themselves from a case, either at the request of a party, or on their own initiative if they deem themselves disqualified for reason of bias or conflict of interest. Each party shall have a maximum of two challenges without stated cause. If the panel should be exhausted before an acceptable committee has been obtained, five supplementary members shall be appointed to the

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panel by the same procedure from which members of the committee may be selected. The committee shall select its own chair.

For SREC interpretation of SR 1.4.3.2.2, see SREC minutes from June 11, 2018. (available **HERE**). [SREC: 6/11/2018]

# 1.4.4.4<u>1.1.1.1</u> Senate Advisory Committee on Disability Accommodation and Compliance (SACDAC)

IUS: 12/10/2012]

#### 1.4.4.4.11.1.1.1.1 Composition

The SACDAC is a standing committee of the University Senate. The veting members of the SACDAC are the Director of the Center for the Enhancement of Learning and Teaching (CELT), or that person's designee, and four University Faculty members appointed by the Senate Council. The four University Faculty members shall serve staggered three year terms. Ex officio, nonvoting members of the Committee are the Academic Ombud, the Director of the Disability Resource Center (DRC), a DRC learning specialist, and the Associate Vice President for Institutional Equity or that person's designee. The committee shall be chaired by one of the four appointed University Faculty members. The SACDAC is responsible for recommending educational policy within general guidelines established by the University Senate.

#### 1.4.4.4.21.1.1.1.1 Committee Charge

#### The SACDAC is charged to:

 1. Recommend to the Senate Council educational policies and implementation practices that appropriately address the accommodations standards stipulated in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Law and Sections 504/508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 for students who have documented disabilities.

2.1. Hear and render decisions on issues from faculty members or the DRC pertaining to the implementation of educational policies as they relate to practices for disability accommodation and regulatory compliance.

3.1. Monitor the alignment between the University Senate's educational policies and Federal compliance and accommodation regulations, and recommend educational policy revisions, as warranted.

4.1. Issue an annual report on the work of the SACDAC for consideration by the Senate Council, the University Senate and the wider University community.

### 1.4.4.5 1.1.1.1 Senate Advisory Committee on Diversity and Inclusion (SACDI)

IUS: 2/12/20181

#### 1.4.4.5.11.1.1.1.1 Composition

The SACDI is an advisory committee of the University Senate and its membership is appointed by the SC. Six University Faculty members shall be voting members. Two student members nominated by the Student Government Association (SGA) shall also be voting members. The University Faculty members shall serve staggered three year terms and the SGA's nominees shall serve one year terms. The SACDI shall also have two ex officio nonvoting members, who

chall be recommended by the Vice President for Institutional Diversity, both of whom shall have UK-related responsibilities pertaining to diversity and inclusivity. Members may serve consecutive terms but must be reappointed by Senate Council.

The SC shall appoint a chair from one of the six University Faculty members.

#### 1.4.4.5.21.1.1.1.1 Charge

The SACDI is charged with: increasing diversity among senators, in particular representation of underrepresented minorities; working with senior leadership to disseminate best practices for recruiting and rotaining faculty of color and other underrepresented groups; and addressing other issues around diversity and inclusion as they arise.

#### 1.4.5 AD HOC COMMITTEES

Other than their temporary nature ad hoc committees have the same status and responsibilities as all other committees of the Senate. They shall be appointed by the Senate Ceuncil to address academic problems and issues facing the University. For example, such committees could deal with problems or issues as they arise in the areas of teaching and advising, student affairs, computer resources, continuing education, special teaching technologies and so forth. These committees expire not later than one year after their appointment unless the Senate Council acts to renew the committee's existence for another year. [US: 10/12/81] [4/14/86]

#### 1.5. ELECTION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN ELECTIVE BODIES

The Rules and Elections Committee is charged with administering elections as directed by the University Senate. Following are descriptions of these elections:

#### 1.5.1 ELECTION OF JOINT BOARD-FACULTY PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

#### 1.5.1.1 Committee Composition

Governing Regulations VIII, adopted by the Board of Trustees June 12, 2005, provide: "The President is appointed by the Board of Trustees with the advice of a joint committee of the Board of Trustees, University Faculty, staff employees, student body and alumni. The committee shall consist of six (6) members of the Board of Trustees, at least one of whom shall be from among the three alumni trustees, appointed by the Chair of the Board of Trustees; three (3) regular fulltime faculty members selected by a procedure determined by the University Senate; one (1) regular full-time staff employee, appointed by the Chair of the Board from a list of three (3) staff employees selected by a procedure determined by the Staff Senate; two (2) full-time students, one (1) undergraduate and one (1) graduate or professional student, appointed by the Chair of the Board of Trustees from a list of three (3) undergraduate and three (3) graduate or professional students selected by a procedure determined by the Student Government Association; and one (1) member of the alumni appointed by the Chair of the Board of Trustees from a list of three (3) alumni selected by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee of the University of Kentucky Alumni Association. The committee shall provide opportunity for discussion among representatives of administration, University Faculty, staff employees, student body, alumni groups, and prospective presidential candidates."

#### 1.5.1.2 Election Procedures

In the event of a vacancy, or official announcement of an impending vacancy in the Office of President, the following procedure shall be utilized in selecting the three members of the University Faculty to serve on the Search Committee. Elections shall be conducted by electronic secret ballot or paper secret ballot if electronic election is not feasible. Three (3) elected Faculty Senators, representing the University Faculty, shall be elected by this procedure. The election shall be conducted under the supervision of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Elections Committee.

#### 1.5.1.2.1 Nominating Round

On the nominating ballot, each elected Faculty Senator may nominate up to three (3) eligible elected Faculty Senators, as certified by the Chair of the Senate Rules and Elections Committee and made available to Senators.

There shall be six (6) names on the voting ballot. The six (6) elected Faculty Senators receiving the largest number of nominations shall be placed on the voting ballot, except that not more than two names from any one college shall be eligible for being placed on the voting ballot. All ties will be resolved by lot. Prior to placing the names of nominees on the voting ballot, the nominees' willingness to serve shall be ascertained by the Chair of the Senate Rules and Elections Committee.

#### 1.5.1.2.2 Voting Round

The eligible voters are the full-time members of the University Faculty who are eligible to vote in their respective college election of faculty members to the University Senate. Each voter must rank order exactly three (3) candidates from the list of the six (6) nominees on the voting ballot. Failure to rank order exactly three (3) different candidates will disqualify the ballot. References in sections (3), (4), and (5) below to "ballots" refers only to those ballots certified as countable.

#### 1.5.1.2.3 Tabulation Round(s)

First, the total number of eligible ballots is determined.

Next, each of the six (6) candidates shall be allocated the number of ballots on which the candidate has been ranked first. Any candidate whose total allocation is at least one-third (1/3) of the total number of ballots is elected. Except that if, at any time in the entire tabulation process, a total number of candidates from any one college is elected that is equal to that college's total number of eligible seats, then any remaining candidates from that college will be removed from the ballots, and the ballots re-tabulated according to the rankings of the remaining candidates on each of them.

If three (3) candidates are elected at this point, the election ends here. If fewer than three (3) are elected, the following "Sequential Run-off" process will be followed.

#### 1.5.1.2.4 Sequential Run-off

If fewer than three (3) candidates are elected pursuant to section (3) above, then the following run-off tabulation will be followed: On each ballot, the name(s) of the elected candidate(s) will be removed, and the ballots re-tabulated according to the rankings of the remaining candidates on each of them. Any candidate who is allocated at least one-third (1/3) of the total number of ballots after this re-tabulation shall be declared elected.

If no candidates are elected pursuant to section (3) above, then the name of the candidate with the fewest top rankings shall be removed. In case of a tie, the candidate with the fewest total number of votes of any rank will be eliminated, with any further ties decided by a random draw.

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The ballots will then be re-tabulated again according to the rankings of the remaining candidates on each of them. Any candidate now allocated at least one-third (1/3) of these re-tabulated ballots shall be elected.

If a total of three (3) candidates are elected at this point, the election ends here. This procedure shall be repeated as necessary until three (3) candidates are elected.

#### 1.5.1.2.5 Runners-Up

After three (3) candidates have been elected, three (3) ranked runners-up will be chosen according to the number of ballots allocated to them at the end of the last tabulation round. In case of a tie, the candidate with the most total number of votes of any rank will be ranked first, with any further ties decided by a random draw. If there are fewer than three (3) such runners-up, then additional runners-up will be chosen to bring the total to three (3), with the additional runners-up ranked according to the reverse order of their elimination. The runners-up will be considered in the order so ranked in case of future vacancies on the Senate Council.

#### 1.5.1.2.6 Vacancies

Upon resignation of any of the three (3) elected University Faculty representatives to the Search Committee or when a member is no longer eligible to be a Senator, a vacancy for that position shall be declared by the Chair of the Senate Council. A vacancy on the Search Committee shall be filled by the eligible candidate who in the election ranked the highest without being elected and who is eligible and willing to serve.

If the above procedure still does not fill the vacancy, the vacancy shall be filled with an eligible and willing elected Faculty Senator nominated by the Senate Council Chair and approved by the majority of the voting faculty members of the Senate Council.

## 1.5.2 ELECTION: TWO VOTING UNIVERSITY FACULTY MEMBERS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

[See US: 10/12/88; US: 10/8/2001; US: 12/8/05; BoT: 6/2005]

As specified in state law (KRS 164.131(1)(e) and implemented in the <u>Governing Regulations</u> (II.B.2.b.1) there shall be two (2) voting faculty members of the Board of Trustees who are "members of the faculty of the University." In accordance with KRS 164.131(3) and as implemented in <u>GR</u> II.B.2.b.1, the University Faculty members who are eligible to vote for, and eligible to serve as, elected members of the Board of Trustees shall be those members who are regular, full-time faculty employees with a rank at the level of assistant professor (or its equivalent, Librarian III) or above, whose primary assignments, i.e., more than fifty percent (50%), are in instruction, research, and/or public service, as defined in *Human Resources Policy and Procedure Administrative Regulation 4.0: Employee Status*. [GR II.B.2.b.1]

For the purposes of election of Faculty Trustees, <u>AR</u> 3:2 is here interpreted to allow voting by, but not election of, faculty employees on phased retirement. [SREC: 12/17/13].

Elections shall be held only during the academic year. During years when a regular term expires (June 30), the election shall be held during the Spring Semester. If at any time a faculty Board member should become ineligible to serve (i.e., assumption of an administrative title, resignation, official leave which precludes attendance, loss of status as faculty employee, etc.), the chair of the Senate Council shall declare a vacancy and call for a special election of a faculty member to serve for the duration of the original member's ineligibility.

 Elections shall be conducted under the supervision of the Senate Rules and Elections Committee as follows:

#### 1.5.2.1 Nominations

 The Chair of the Senate Rules and Elections Committee shall solicit nominations by a method calculated to provide reasonable notice to the eligible faculty (and to the unit administrators for the purpose of assisting dissemination of this notice to the faculty). Nomination forms shall be submitted to the Chair of the Senate Rule and Election Committee in writing or by fax, and must contain the names and signatures of ten (10) or more nominators on the same form, all of whom must be eligible to vote. Forms may be provided for this purpose. The nomination form shall indicate that the nominee is willing to serve if elected and that they is qualified to serve.

Pursuant to <u>Administrative Regulations</u> on tenure-ineligible title series and on faculty members with certain administrative appointments, the following terms apply: (1)

Tenured faculty employees who have been appointed to an administrative position at or above the level of department chair are not eligible to participate in the election of faculty representatives, or serve as the elected faculty representative, to faculty governance bodies above the college level (e.g., Board of Trustees, University Senate, Graduate Council, Undergraduate Council, and Health Care Colleges Council) (see HRPP 4.0); (2) Regular, full-time faculty employees in a tenure-ineligible series are not eligible for regularly assigned university-level service activities, except that the tenured/tenure-track faculty of a college may allow a tenure-ineligible series to be eligible to vote for representation, and stand for election, specifically to the University Senate, by extending College Faculty membership to that faculty series (to be documented in the College Rules; see <u>AR</u> 2.5, <u>AR</u> 2.6, <u>AR</u> 2.9 for more details). [SREC: 4/15/11]

If three (3) or fewer persons are nominated there shall be only one (1) ballot as indicated below (see "The Final Ballot)" However if only one (1) person is nominated, the nomination period shall be extended by one (1) week with notification to all eligible faculty voters. If no other nominations are put forward at this point, the sole nominee shall be declared elected.

#### 1.5.2.2 The preliminary ballot (if necessary)

If more than three (3) persons are nominated, the names of all nominees shall be placed upon an electronic ballot with email notifications sent to all eligible faculty voters. If electronic balloting is not feasible, a paper ballot shall be utilized. The ballot shall contain the college and department or other subunit affiliation, if any, of each nominee. The election shall be by secret ballot and voters shall vote for only **one (1)** nominee. If one (1) nominee receives a majority of the votes, that person shall be declared elected. Otherwise, the three (3) nominees receiving the highest number of votes (including ties) shall be placed upon a final ballot.

#### 1.5.2.3 The final ballot

 The final ballot shall contain a brief biographical sketch submitted by each of the candidates and may contain a brief statement by them. Each voter shall indicate a first and may indicate a second choice. All of the first-choice ballots will be counted, and any candidate who receives a majority of votes will be elected. If no one receives a majority, a determination shall be made between the two (2) candidates with the largest number of first choice votes in the following manner: The second-choice votes on the ballots whose first choice candidate or candidates have been eliminated will be added to the first choice votes received by the top two (2) candidates, and the person with the larger number of total votes will be elected. (In the event of a tie at that stage, the candidate with the larger number of first choice votes will be elected. And

3389 3390 3391	in the event of a tie in the first and second choice votes, the tie will be resolved by a random draw after notifying the top two candidates.) [Revised: 10/1/80; Senate Rules Committee; US: 1/18/88; US: 10/12/98; US: 10/8/2001]		
3392 3393 3394	1.5.2.4 Election Problems		
3395 3396 3397	In case of unanticipated election problems, the Senate Rules and Elections Committee shall act as the final arbiter.		