

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE RIVERSIDE DIVISION
November 30, 2021

To be received and placed on file:

The Committee on Committees plays a critical role in selecting Senate Faculty members to serve on not only the standing committees of the Academic Senate, but also providing faculty representation on various committees, from campus services to Administrative initiatives, including task forces and search committees. CoC is key in providing a voice to represent UCR faculty at all levels – department, college, campus, and systemwide – which is vital to Shared Governance.

The Committee on Committees met twenty-two times during the 2020-2021 academic year and reports the following 20-21 business items since the last report of December 1, 2020:

- Appointed Senate Faculty members to serve on 2 ad hocs per the request of the Chair of the Riverside Division: Graduate Rubric Ad Hoc, Ad Hoc to Review the Transfer of the Interdepartmental CMDB Undergraduate and Graduate Programs to the MCSB Department
- Provided 6 slates of nominees to the Chair of the Riverside Division for faculty to serve on the following administrative committees: UCRPD Recruitment & Interview Community Panel, Written Communication Core Competency Assessment Committee, Financial System Upgrade Project, Chancellor's Campus Safety Task Force, Athletics Working Group, Chancellors Campus Safety Workgroup.
- Provided 1 slate of nominees to the Chair of the Riverside Division for Senate faculty representation to serve on the following Search Committees: Vice Chancellor of University Advancement, Dean of the College of Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences.
- Appointed Senate faculty representatives to serve on the following administrative search committees: Associate Vice Chancellor of Facilities, Associate Vice Chancellor of Enrollment Services (5 appointees), Vice Provost of International Affairs (4 appointees).
- Provided nominations for 11 requests from the systemwide University Committee on Committees for the following committees: California Air Resources Board's Scientific Review Panel (SRP) on Toxic Air Contaminants, UCR&J Chair and at-large member, UC Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) Task Force, UC Center for Free Speech and Civic Engagement Academic Advisory Board, Search Committee for a new Director of the UC Observatories, Knowledge Transfer Advisory Committee (KTAC), Academic Council's Special Committee on Lab Issues (ACSCOLI), Systemwide Academic Senate

Editorial Committee; nomination for the bi-annual Academic Council Chairs Award for Mid-Career Leadership.

2021-2022 Standing Senate Committee Appointments

As members of the Academic Senate, participation on Senate Standing Committees is essential to the continued success of shared governance and is considered a chief component of faculty contribution to university service as defined in the Academic Personnel Manual. All members of the Academic Senate are eligible to participate, including Emeritus faculty. The Senate has 26 standing committees with 191 committee positions.

The Committee annually requests Senate faculty provide their committee participation preference via the online Committee Preference Form¹ in preparation for appointing faculty for the next academic service year (September 1 – August 31).

- Received 482 Committee Preference Forms²
- Number of Forms received by college:

– College of Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences	216
– College of Natural & Agricultural Sciences	156
– Bourns College of Engineering	60
– School of Business	17
– Graduate School of Education	17
– School of Medicine	12
– School of Public Policy	4
- 47 Standing Committee positions available for AY21-22³
- Appointed 65 Senate Faculty to Standing Committee positions for AY21-22⁴.

In addition to appointments, the Committee on Committees considered the following campus and systemwide reviews for comment: Undergraduate Academic Integrity Bylaw changes, CFW Campus Climate Survey Report, UCR Strategic Plan Draft, Campus Safety Task Force Draft report & Recommendations, and Curtailment Program Proposal.

The Committee's formal response to each issue is located on the Academic Senate website and can be found at: <https://senate.ucr.edu/issues>

¹ The form does not include requests for college Executive Committees or the Committee on Committees since membership in these committees is determined through a separate nomination and election process.

² Previous year's numbers: Yr2020 – 355; Yr2019 – 386; Yr2018 – 271; Yr201 – 346; Yr2016 – 245; Yr2015 – 304; Prior to 2015, forms were submitted manually via paper form

³ Based on the number of members completing a full three-year term.

⁴ Based on the total number of vacancies due to completed terms and early resignations. This number may increase prior to fall quarter due to faculty taking sabbatical, administrative positions, or other leaves.

Respectfully Submitted,

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