



Academic Senate

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND JURISDICTION

Date: October 8, 2025

To: Kenneth Barish, Chair
Riverside Division

From: Randolph C. Head, Chair
Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction

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Re: [Campus Review] Proposed Changes to the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences Bylaws (Bylaw 4.1.1.1: Committee List)

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction has carefully considered the proposed draft of the Proposed Changes to the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences Bylaws (Bylaw 4.1.1.1: Committee List).

The Committee appreciates that the proposed bylaw changes are meant to bring the department names into alignment with the department name change approved by the Division. With this, R&J believes the proposed regulations would benefit from modest modifications to increase clarity and consistency. The committee conditionally approves of these bylaw changes provided these changes are made.

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction offers the following to assist in the above and to ensure overall document consistency:

The punctuation of the lists of departments for the three election cycles are all different and somewhat confusing. The punctuation should be consistent across groups, as well as conforming to the style guide set by the registrar (<https://registrar.ucr.edu/crs/style#commas>).

*Please note: aspects of the suggested modifications are shown in color only for reference. Items should not appear in color in the actual proposal.

Suggestion:

4.1.1.1 The five members of the Executive Committee from the departments of Chemistry; Evolution, Ecology and Organismal Biology; Molecular, Cell and Systems Biology; Nematology; and Environmental Sciences are elected in the same year. The four members of the Executive Committee from the departments of Earth and Planetary Sciences; Physics and Astronomy; Microbiology and Plant Pathology; and Statistics are elected in the same year. The four members of the Executive Committee from the departments of Biochemistry; Botany and Plant Sciences; Entomology; and Mathematics are elected in the same year.