The Faculty Committees are under the auspices of the Faculty Senate and the membership and means of appointment are given in the USC Columbia Faculty Manual. The official listing of Faculty Committees and their respective missions is in the Faculty Manual. Faculty Committees are distinctive from Special Advisory Committees because they are governed by the faculty of the university. The Faculty Senate Office will issue a call for nominations for Faculty Committees during the spring semester. Please respond this call or contact the appropriate chair if you are interested in serving on a particular Faculty Committee.

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FACULTY COMMITTEES: USC-COLUMBIA 2013-14

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITY

This committee shall consider appeals of cases decided by college academic responsibility committees when any party to the case formally appeals on grounds set forth in the university Academic Disciplinary Procedures. This committee shall perform any other functions provided for in the Academic Disciplinary Procedures. It shall also review periodically the Rule of Academic Responsibility and Academic Disciplinary Procedures and propose changes to the Faculty Senate.

This committee shall consist of five faculty members, two undergraduate students, and two graduate students. The faculty members shall be elected for staggered three-year terms. No more than two faculty members shall be from the same college. Faculty members shall hear all cases. Undergraduate members shall hear cases involving undergraduate students; graduate members shall hear cases involving graduate students.

Elected
Divya Ahuja, Chair Medicine (2014)
Kenny Whitby Political Science (2014)
Lewis Bowman Biological Sciences (2016)
Francisco Sanchez Languages, Literatures, & Cultures (2016)

Appointed
Gerald Baxter (Undergraduate Student)
Caroline Hendricks (Undergraduate Student)
Katie Becofsky (Graduate Student)
Julia McKinney (Graduate Student)

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS

This committee shall consider policies on undergraduate entrance examinations, admissions, and readmissions and may recommend changes in policy to the Faculty Senate. To assure conformity with undergraduate admissions policies, the committee may review policies and changes proposed by faculties of the various academic units. The committee shall act on appeals of applicants for admission who fail to fulfill established standards of admission or readmission.

Of the ten members, five shall be elected by the faculty and five appointed by the president. Two faculty representatives shall be elected each year for a term of three years, except every third year, when only one member shall be elected. The director of admissions shall serve as secretary, ex-officio.

Elected
Joan Donohue, Chair-Spring 2014 Business (2014)
Hunter Gardner, Chair-Fall 2013 Languages, Literatures, & Cultures (2014)
Jodi Spillane Libraries (2016)
Kenny Whitby Political Science (2016)

Appointed
Scott Verzyl, ex-officio, Secretary Admissions
UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The committee shall review and monitor admissions decisions and the academic performance of all student-athletes by regularly receiving appropriate and relevant information regarding the academic eligibility and progress of student-athletes, including graduation rates. The committee also receives reports on, reviews and advises, as appropriate, the Faculty Senate, the NCAA Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR), the president, the director of athletics, and the Board of Trustees on the following: annual inter-collegiate athletic program schedules and major changes to them; the annual budget of the Athletics Department; admissions decisions for athletes receiving grants-in-aid; NCAA certification reports, including Title 9 reports; major requests for waiver of any institutional athletic policies; major changes in Athletics Department personnel (specifically the director of athletics, director of the academic support unit, and head coaches for each sport); the needs, interests, and concerns of student athletes; all other issues regarding inter-collegiate activities as referred to it by University officials. The committee shall make at least an annual, written report of its activities to the Faculty Senate, the president, and the director of athletics.

Membership of the committee shall be six elected faculty members; three student members, (one undergraduate student-athlete who serves as either president or president-elect of the Student Athletics Advisory Committee; one undergraduate student appointed by the president of the student body; and one graduate student appointed by the student government with the consent of the Association of Graduate Students); one member of the Intercollegiate Activities Committee of the Board of Trustees appointed by the chair of that committee; and four presidential appointees (one at-large representative from the faculty, the NCAA faculty athletics representative (FAR); one representative from the Division of Student Affairs; and the director of athletics).

The chair shall be a member of the faculty. The chair and the NCAA faculty athletics representative (FAR) shall sit with the Intercollegiate Activities Committee at its meetings, ex-officio.

Elected
Don Jordan Science Education (2014)
Mark Nagel Hospitality, Retail, & Sport Management (2014)
Tom Regan, Chair Hospitality, Retail, & Sport Management (2015)
James Carson Public Health (2016)

Appointed
Zach Kelehear Education, FAR SEC Representative
Ray Tanner Director of Athletics
Dennis A. Pruitt Student and Alumni Services
Stacy Fritz Exercise Science (2016)
William Hubbard Board of Trustees
Taylor Josserand (President, Student Athletics Advisory)
Austin Solheim (Undergraduate Student)
Blake Lineberger (Association of Graduate Student)
BOOKSTORE COMMITTEE

This committee serves to mediate any disputes between students or faculty and local bookstores whose primary purpose is to serve the university community. Faculty members, students, or bookstores with problems should contact the chair of this committee. The committee should also report any major problems to the Faculty Senate with recommendations. In addition to the six elected faculty members, one graduate and one undergraduate student shall serve on the committee.

Elected
Douglas Meade  Mathematics  (2014)
Gloria Zinky  Law Library  (2014)
Kathleen McCallister, Chair  Libraries  (2015)
Paul Malovrh  Languages, Literatures, & Cultures  (2015)
Sherina Feliciano-Santos  Anthropology  (2016)
Jessica Myles  (Undergraduate Student)

COMMITTEE ON CURRICULA AND COURSES

This committee shall consider, and recommend to the faculty, action on all requests for new or revised curricula leading to any formal recognition other than graduate degrees or first professional degrees in law, medicine and pharmacy. The committee shall also consider, and recommend to the faculty, action on all requests for the institution, modification, or deletion of courses and of any prescribed programs of study that do not fall within the purview of the graduate faculty. The committee shall review the various university curricula with special attention to duplication or obsolescence of courses. In addition to the members elected by the faculty, there shall be one member appointed by the president to serve ex-officio, one representative from the regional campuses, and two student members.

Elected
Pat Gehrke  English  (2014)
Michael Hill  Languages, Literatures, & Cultures  (2014)
Brian Habing, Chair  Statistics  (2015)
Xuhong Su  Political Science  (2015)
Kendra Albright  Mass Communications & Info. Studies  (2016)
Sarah Barker  Theatre & Dance  (2016)

Appointed
Kris Finnigan, ex-officio  Office of the Provost
Murray Mitchell, ex-officio  Graduate School
Robert Castleberry  USC Sumter  (2015)
Anne Parham  (Student)
Marissa Torgerson  (Student)

FACULTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This committee shall advise the faculty and administration on all matters pertaining to the general policies and operations of the university that lie outside or cut across the responsibilities of other standing committees. It shall initiate studies and make recommendations to the faculty and administration regarding any matters affecting the general welfare of the university that faculty members, faculty bodies, and administrative officers refer to it. It also shall review proposals of other standing committees and recommend
procedures for their implementation. The provost and vice provost for faculty development are ex-officio members.

**Elected**

Shawn Chillag Medicine (2014)
Melinda Forthofer Public Health (2014)
Burneke Powell Law (2015)
Jennifer Vendemia, Chair Psychology (2015)
Subra Bunion Earth & Ocean Sciences (2016)
Chris Robinson Art (2016)
Michael Amiridis, ex-officio Provost
James Knapp, ex-officio Psychology (Faculty Senate Chair)
Christine Curtis, ex-officio Provost’s Office

**FACULTY-BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIAISON COMMITTEE**

This committee shall serve as liaison between the faculty and the Board of Trustees. Members shall be the chair and chair-elect of the Columbia Faculty Senate, the chairs of the Faculty Advisory and Faculty Welfare committees, one person appointed by the president upon nomination by the Regional Campuses Faculty Senate, and the chair of the faculty government at one of the four-year campuses. The representation of the four-year campuses shall rotate annually among these campuses. The chair of the Columbia Faculty Senate shall be chair of the committee and shall sit with the Board of Trustees as provided by the bylaws of the board.

The committee shall meet with the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, which deliberates on matters of mutual concern to the faculty and the Board of Trustees.

James Knapp, Chair Earth & Ocean Sciences (Faculty Senate Chair)
Sandra Kelly Psychology (Faculty Senate Past Chair)
Erin Connolly Biological Sciences (Faculty Welfare Chair)
Jennifer Vendemia Psychology (Faculty Advisory Chair)
Thomas Reid USC Aiken (Senior Campuses Representative-2014)
Chris Nesmith USC Columbia-Extended Un. (2-year Campuses Rep.-2014)

**FACULTY BUDGET COMMITTEE**

The committee shall consist of ten members: three elected members, the current and immediate past chairs of the Faculty Advisory Committee and the Welfare Committee, the chair of the Faculty Senate, and the past chair or the chair-elect of the Faculty Senate; the provost shall serve ex officio.

This committee serves as a liaison between the University Administration and the University Faculty (through the Faculty Senate) on matters pertaining to the University budget, advocates the faculty perspective on matters of budget and budgetary policy, and provides a venue for discussing faculty questions and concerns about the University budget and budgeting process. To accomplish its purpose, the Faculty Budget Committee shall have input into University budget policy in two ways. First, the Chair of the Faculty Budget Committee, the other two elected members, and the President of the Faculty Senate will be welcomed to attend the President’s Budget Hearings. Second, the Chair of the Budget Committee, the immediate past Chair of the Budget Committee, and the Chair of the Faculty Senate shall serve on the University Finance Committee.

Christine Curtis, ex-officio Office of the Provost
Tom Regan Hospitality, Retail, & Sport Management (2014)
### FACULTY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

This committee shall consider individual grievances, including grievances regarding salary matters (see also "Terms of Employment"), brought before it by members of the faculty including full-time and part-time members, research professors, lecturers, and visiting professors. When, in its judgment, a grievance is determined to be well-founded, the committee shall attempt to resolve the matter through mediation or other appropriate action. See also "Academic Grievance Procedures." The committee shall consist of nine elected members for staggered three-year terms and one ex-officio member from the Faculty Salary Equity Oversight Committee appointed by the provost. All members of the committee shall be tenured full professors or tenured librarians, and, at the time they commence a term of service on the committee, a year shall have elapsed since their last service, if any, on the University Committee on Tenure and Promotions. Faculty members appointed to administrative positions such as department chair, assistant dean, or associate dean are not eligible to serve on this committee.

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### FACULTY WELFARE COMMITTEE

This committee shall consider university policies and the enforcement of policies regarding the welfare of the faculty, such as faculty salaries, other compensation and benefits, and any matters affecting the workplace environment. The committee may recommend appropriate changes or the enforcement of existing policy, propose new policies, or comment upon proposed university action affecting faculty welfare. Major changes in policy should be forwarded with a recommendation to the Faculty Senate for its consideration and transmittal to the provost, president, or Board of Trustees. The vice president for finance and planning or designee shall serve ex-officio.

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Beverly Baliko  Nursing  (2016)  
Camelia Knapp  Earth & Ocean Sciences  (2016)  

Appointed  
Twanda Greer  Psychology  (2014)  
David Mott  Medicine  (2014)  

**COMMITTEE ON HONORARY DEGREES**

This committee shall recommend recipients of honorary degrees to the president and the Board of Trustees. The provost or appointed representative shall be ex-officio chair.

**Elected**  
Venkat Lakshmi  Earth & Ocean Sciences  (2014)  
Toni Torres-McGehee  Education  (2014)  
Brent Appling  Libraries  (2015)  
Andy Gillentine  Hospitality, Retail, & Sport Management  (2015)  
Elizabeth Costello  Education  (2016)  
Alyssa Robillard  Public Health  (2016)  

**Appointed**  
Christine Curtis, Chair  Office of the Provost  
Hazel Bridges  (Student)  
Jessica Myles  (Student)  

**COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

This committee shall initiate studies and make recommendations to the faculty and administration on enhancing the practice and status of teaching.

The membership of the committee shall include nine faculty members elected for staggered three-year terms. The provost shall appoint six other faculty members, for staggered three-year terms, to guarantee broad representation of the colleges and academic ranks. The president of the student body shall appoint one undergraduate and one graduate student to one-year terms, to be confirmed by the Student Senate. A representative from the provost's office shall serve ex-officio.

**Elected**  
Jeffrey Patton  Medicine  (2014)  
Susan Rathbun-Grubb  Library & Information Science  (2014)  
Charley Adams, Chair  Public Health  (2015)  
Peter Binev  Mathematics  (2015)  
Amy Edwards  Libraries  (2016)  
Joe Eller  Music  (2016)  
Gloria Zinky  Law Library  (2016)  

Lacy Ford  Office of the Provost  
Helen Doerpinghaus, ex-officio  Office of the Provost  
Bryan Jenkins, ex-officio  University Instructional Services  
Christy Friend, ex-officio  Center for Teaching Excellence
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

This committee shall consider cases involving intellectual property, including patent and copyright matters, and shall be the intellectual property advisory body within the university. In addition to the six elected faculty members, there shall be three members appointed by the president. The director of the Intellectual Property Office, or a representative of that office, shall serve ex-officio.

Elected
Esmaiel Jabbari Engineering & Computing (2014)
April Hathcock Law Library (2014)
Scott Phinney, Chair Libraries (2015)
Duncan Buell Engineering & Computing (2015)
Chun-Hui Miao Business Administration (2016)
Peisheng Zu Pharmacy (2016)

Appointed
Chad Hardaway, ex-officio Director, Technology Commercialization
George Lampl General Counsel
Mike Matthews Chemical Engineering (2016)
Qian Wang Chemistry & Biochemistry (2016)

COMMITTEE ON LIBRARIES

This committee shall consider and review matters concerning the status and funding of the libraries that are under the supervision of the dean of libraries.

The committee shall consist of eleven members: seven elected from the faculty, including one member of the teaching faculty of the regional campuses elected by the Regional Campuses Faculty Senate; three presidential appointees; and the dean of libraries, ex-officio. No college shall have more than two elected members, and no department shall have more than one elected member.

Elected
Katherine Barbieri, Chair Political Science (2014)
Ashok Chauhan Medicine (2014)
Karen Gavigan Library & Information Science (2014)
Rhonda Jeffries Education (2016)
Susan Schramm-Pate Education (2016)
Scott White Earth & Ocean Sciences (2016)
Julia Elliott Extended Un. (Regional Campuses Rep.) (2016)

Appointed
Greg Forter English (2014)
SCHOLASTIC STANDARDS AND PETITIONS, COMMITTEE ON

This committee shall consider matters concerning university academic requirements, standards, policies, and practices. It shall review changes proposed by colleges and shall make recommendations to the appropriate faculty or the Faculty Senate.

Decisions of a college committee concerning academic regulations may be appealed to the university committee by either the student involved or the dean of the college. Grounds for appeals shall be limited to a contention that a university academic regulation was misinterpreted or that the college committee hearing was fundamentally unfair. The appealing party shall describe in writing the basis for the appeal and shall provide available supporting information. If the committee considers an appeal, it may confirm the decision of the college committee, return the case to the college for reconsideration, or under exceptional circumstances reverse the decision of the college committee in matters involving the interpretation of university regulations.

In addition to the six elected faculty members, there shall be two student members. The director of admissions and the registrar, or representatives of those offices, shall serve as ex-officio members.

Elected
Joan Culley, Chair Nursing (2014)
Lori Schwartz Libraries (2014)
Peter Binev Mathematics (2015)
Rishi Chakraborty Public Health (2016)
Candle Wester Law Library (2016)

Appointed
Scott Verzyl, ex-officio Admissions
Aaron Marterer, ex-officio Registrar’s Office
Jessica Myles (Student)

SENATE STEERING COMMITTEE

This committee shall serve as a nominating committee and as a planning body that studies issues confronting the university and recommends action to be taken by existing faculty committees, the faculty, and the administration.

The committee is composed of the seven chairs of the following committees: Admissions, Athletics Advisory, Curricula and Courses, Faculty Advisory, Faculty Budget, Faculty Welfare, and Scholastic Standards and Petitions, and of two faculty members appointed by the chair of the Faculty Senate. The provost shall serve ex-officio. Ad hoc committees shall be created as needed, and the Faculty Senate chair shall consult with the Senate Steering Committee before appointing their members.

Michael Amiridis, ex-officio Provost (Fac Sen Chair)
James Knapp, Chair Earth & Ocean Sciences (Fac Sen Past Chair)
Sandra Kelly Psychology (Fac Sen Sec)
Rebekah Maxwell Law Library (Admissions)
This committee shall publish guidelines for departmental tenure and promotion criteria and procedures, approve departmental tenure and promotion criteria and procedures, review all tenure and promotion cases, and make tenure and promotion recommendations to the president. It shall be composed of twenty-four tenured full professors, fifteen elected by the faculty and nine appointed by the president. No more than three elected members may be from any single college or school except the College of Arts and Sciences, which may have up to nine elected members. Of the nine appointed members, no more than two may be chosen from any single college or school.

The elected members shall be nominated by a committee composed of the members of the Faculty Senate Steering Committee, and the eight persons completing their terms on the Tenure and Promotions Committee. The nominating committee shall nominate a slate of ten, from which the voting members of the faculty shall elect five persons. Each voting faculty member may vote for up to five nominees. No person shall serve more than three years consecutively, and no department chair, assistant or associate dean, or dean shall be a member of the committee.

Elected
Cynthia Davis, English (2014)
Edsel Peña, Chair, Statistics (2014)
Donna Richter, Public Health (2014)
Ken Shimizu, Chemistry & Biochemistry (2014)
Joshua Tebbs, Statistics (2014)
Michelle Martin, Mass Communications & Info Studies (2015)
David Reisman, Biological Sciences (2015)
Kathy Sharer, Nursing (2015)
James Carson, Public Health (2016)
Camelia Knapp, Earth & Ocean Sciences (2016)
Chris Rorden, Psychology (2016)
Marco Valtorta, Computer Science & Engineering (2016)
Larry Wyatt, Music (2016)

Appointed
Marianne Bickle, Hospitality, Retail, & Sport Management (2014)
Manton Matthews, Computer Science & Engineering (2014)
Paul Ziehl, Computer Science & Engr. (2014)
Kim Creek, Pharmacy (2016)
TENURE REVIEW BOARD

This board conducts hearings and rules on cases involving the dismissal of tenured faculty members for cause. It also resolves disagreements between the provost and any unit over the content of unit post-tenure review standards and procedures. The seven members of the board shall be tenured faculty, two appointed by the president and five elected by the faculty for staggered three-year terms.

Elected
Craig Keeney Libraries (2014)
Jay Potts Medicine (2014)
Milind Kunchur Physics & Astronomy (2015)
Bo Cai Public Health (2016)
Jeffrey Makala Libraries (2016)

Appointed
Joshua Gold, Chair Education (2014)
Heidi Mills Education (2016)