

**(AS OF JULY 7, 2006)**

Chapter 3335-17

**ELECTION BYLAWS OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE**  
(Authorized in rule 3335-5-39 of the Administrative Code)

3335-17-01 Administration members.

The twenty-six members from the administration shall consist of the university president, the executive vice president and provost, the senior vice president for business and finance, the senior vice president for research, the eighteen deans of the colleges, the executive dean of the arts and sciences, the executive dean of the regional campuses, the dean of the graduate school, and the director of libraries. (B/T 5/7/2004, B/T 5/6/2005)

Senate revision April 14, 2005

3335-17-02 Elections.

The faculty, professional student, graduate student, and undergraduate student members and alternates of the university senate shall be chosen in the manner prescribed by the appropriate constituency as defined in rule 3335-17-03 of the Administrative Code. All terms of service shall begin in the autumn quarter following election.

Senate revision September 29, 1984  
Senate revision December 2, 1989

3335-17-03 Administration and supervision of elections.

The primary responsibility for administering and supervising senate elections shall reside with the faculty council, for the election of faculty members of the senate; council of graduate students, for the election of graduate student members; inter-professional council, for the election of professional student members; and undergraduate student government, for the election of undergraduate student members. Each group shall:

- (A) Propose procedures and regulations for nominations and elections, consistent with these bylaws; the nomination procedure shall include the opportunity for direct nominations by an appropriate number of electors eligible to vote in an election for the office in question.
- (B) Report the results of elections in its constituencies to the senate secretary for certification of senate members. Faculty election results are to be submitted by the tenth of April; other constituencies by the fifteenth of May.
- (C) Take action to ensure that the time and manner of nominations and elections are well publicized so as to provide reasonable notice to those eligible to participate. Any notices referring to the university senate elections shall be conspicuously designated as such.

Senate revision June 2, 1979  
Senate revision March 8, 1980  
Senate revision December 2, 1989

3335-17-04 Apportionment of faculty members.

- (A) Seventy faculty members shall be apportioned as follows: at least one to represent each of the following faculty constituencies:

College of food, agricultural,  
and environmental sciences  
College of the arts  
College of biological sciences  
College of business, the Max  
M. Fisher  
College of dentistry  
College of education and  
human ecology  
College of engineering  
College of humanities  
The Michael E. Moritz  
college of law  
College of mathematical and  
physical sciences

College of medicine  
College of nursing  
College of optometry  
College of pharmacy  
College of social and  
behavioral sciences  
College of social work  
College of veterinary medicine  
OSU Lima campus  
OSU Mansfield campus  
OSU Marion campus  
OSU Newark campus  
University libraries  
Departments of military science,  
naval science, and air force  
aerospace studies

- (B) The other faculty members shall be apportioned among the faculty constituencies, such that no more than ten per cent of the total faculty membership of the senate shall be assigned to any one unit listed in paragraph (A) of this rule. The schedule for apportionment shall be reviewed annually and derived from the distribution of regular tenure-track faculty and shall be proposed by the executive committee of the faculty council and approved by the faculty council.
- (C) For the purpose of voting in a senate election, the eligible faculty shall be regular tenure-track faculty and shall vote only in the election of members from the constituency in which they hold their primary appointment. (B/T 6/4/2004, B/T 12/2/2005, B/T 7/7/2006)

Senate revision December 3, 1983  
Senate revision September 29, 1984  
Senate revision December 2, 1989  
Senate revision April 6, 1991  
Senate revision April 6, 1996  
Senate revision May 13, 2004

3335-17-05 Apportionment of graduate student members.

- (A) Ten graduate student members shall be elected by the council of graduate students in accordance with its bylaws so as to ensure a diverse representation of graduate programs.
- (B) For the purpose of voting for the graduate student delegation to the university senate, each graduate student elector shall be a delegate in the council of graduate students. (BOT 12/5/2003)

3335-17-06 Apportionment of professional student members.

- (A) Five professional student members shall be elected by the inter-professional council senate in accordance with its bylaws so as to ensure a diverse representation of professional colleges.
- (B) For the purpose of voting for the professional student delegation to the university senate, each professional student elector shall be a senator in the inter-professional council. (BOT 12/5/2003)

3335-17-07 Apportionment of undergraduate student members.

- (A) Twenty-six undergraduate student members shall be elected by the undergraduate student government senate in accordance with its bylaws so as to ensure a diverse representation of student interests.

- (B) For the purpose of voting for the undergraduate student delegation to the university senate, each undergraduate student elector shall be a senator in the undergraduate student government senate.

Senate revision October 25, 1980  
Senate revision June 2, 1984  
Senate revision December 1, 1990  
Senate revision April 6, 1996  
Senate revision March 6, 1999  
Senate revision March 14, 2002  
BOT approved December 5, 2003

3335-17-08 Qualifications for membership.

- (A) To be eligible for service as members of the university senate:
- (1) Faculty members shall be on the roster of the regular tenure-track faculty and available for senate service autumn, winter and spring quarters during their elected terms.
  - (2) Graduate, professional and undergraduate student members shall be in good standing and enrolled each quarter (except summer quarter) or semester.
  - (3) Faculty, professional and undergraduate student members shall, at all times including the time of election, be members of the constituency which they were elected to represent. The graduate student senators shall be deemed to represent all graduate students.
- (B) No person shall represent one constituency while serving as a representative of another.
- (C) The requirements for alternate members shall be the same as for members. (B/T 6/4/2004)

Senate adoption June 4, 1977  
Senate revision April 29, 1978  
Senate revision February 9, 1980  
Senate revision January 26, 1985  
Senate revision May 13, 2004

3335-17-09 Amendments.

- (A) The secretary of the university senate, with the concurrence of the rules committee, is entrusted to make non-substantive emendations in diction and grammar, and is authorized to change titles of administrative offices, administrative officers, academic units, or student constituent groups in these election bylaws following appropriate action on these title changes by the university senate or the board of trustees.
- (B) Additional amendments to these election bylaws shall follow the procedures specified in rule 3335-5-43 of the Administrative Code.

Senate adoption March 8, 1986  
Senate revision April 6, 1996