

University Senate

3335-5-37 Membership.

There shall be a university senate, a unicameral body constituted as follows:

- (A) Voting members: the voting members of the senate (throughout this document the word "senate" shall be taken to mean the university senate) shall consist of:

Twenty-five administration members
Seventy faculty members
Forty-one student members, consisting of twenty-six undergraduate, ten graduate,
and five professional student members.

Any change in the number of members representing one of three primary categories shall necessitate an adjustment in the total membership in order to maintain to the nearest percentage the ratio of these numbers.

(B) Non-voting members: senate members not entitled to vote on the floor of the senate, but otherwise to participate in all senate deliberations, shall include the chair of faculty council (if not a member of the senate), the president of the alumni association, the secretary of the university senate, the secretary of the faculty, the president of the freshman senate, the president of the undergraduate student government, the president of the council of graduate students, and the president of the inter-professional council, and the chair of the university staff advisory committee. (B/T 7/7/72, B/T 6/14/74, B/T 7/9/76, B/T 7/22/77, B/T 7/20/79, B/T 2/3/84, B/T 2/7/86, B/T 2/1/91, B/T 4/7/95, B/T 5/3/96, B/T 8/1/97, B/T 12/4/98, B/T 4/6/99, B/T 7/7/2000)

3335-5-38 Terms of office.

(A) Ex officio members serve by virtue of their position and shall have no fixed term of office.

(B) Faculty members shall serve three-year terms, with one-third being elected each year; they shall be ineligible for one year for reelection.

(C) Student members shall serve one-year terms and be eligible for reelection. (B/T 7/7/72, B/T 7/9/76, B/T 7/22/77)

3335-5-39 Election bylaws.

The university senate shall have the power to make election bylaws governing election districts and constituencies, dates for assuming office, election procedures, membership certification, and resolution of election appeals; such election bylaws shall not contravene the sections of the Revised Code applying to the university, the "Bylaws of the Board of Trustees," or the "Rules of the University Faculty." The senate election bylaws may be amended pursuant to the procedures specified in rule 3335-5-43 of the Administrative Code. (B/T 7/9/76)

3335-5-40 Alternate members.

When a regular member is unable to attend a meeting of the university senate, he or she shall notify the secretary in advance of the meeting, giving the name of the alternate who will act as a replacement. The alternate so designated shall then have the general powers and privileges in the university senate of the person replaced.

- (A) An administration member shall designate an alternate from the administration.
- (B) A faculty member shall designate an alternate from those elected as alternates in the member's own election district.
- (C) A student member shall designate an alternate from his or her constituency in the following way:
- (1) The student's runner-up in his or her senatorial election shall be declared the alternate by the student's council or governing body.
 - (2) In the event of a vacancy in the alternate's position during the year the student member shall designate one from his or her constituency with the advice and consent of the student's council or governing body.
- (D) Non-voting members (see paragraph (B) of rule 3335-5-37 of the Administrative Code) shall designate their alternates from their respective constituencies or offices. (B/T 7/7/72, B/T 6/14/74, B/T 5/3/96)

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-five members from the administration shall consist of the university president, the executive vice president and provost, the senior vice president for finance, the vice president for research, the nineteen deans of the colleges, the dean of the graduate school, and the director of libraries.

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 assembly, 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.

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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 (including the Ohio agricultural research and development center and the agricultural technical institute)	College of medicine and public health
College of the arts	College of nursing
College of biological sciences	College of optometry
College of business, the Max M. Fisher	College of pharmacy
College of dentistry	College of social and behavioral sciences
College of education	College of social work
College of engineering	College of veterinary medicine
College of human ecology	OSU Lima campus
College of humanities	OSU Mansfield campus
The Michael E. Moritz college of law	OSU Marion campus
College of mathematical and physical sciences	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 faculty with at least seventy-five per cent of total service on the Columbus or a regional campus, or at the Ohio agricultural research and development center, or at the agricultural technical institute; 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 faculty with at least seventy-five per cent of total service on the Columbus or a regional campus, or at the Ohio agricultural research and development center, or at the agricultural technical institute, and shall vote only in the election of members from the constituency in which they hold appointment as regular faculty.

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3335-17-05 Apportionment of graduate student members.

- (A) Ten graduate student members shall be apportioned as follows: one to be elected from each of the following graduate areas:

Administrative sciences	Engineering sciences
Agricultural sciences	Humanities
The arts	Mathematical and physical sciences
Biological sciences	Professional biological sciences
Education	Social and behavioral sciences

- (B) For the purpose of voting in a senate election, each graduate student elector shall be a delegate in the council of graduate students.

3335-17-06 Apportionment of professional student members.

- (A) Five professional student members shall be apportioned as follows: one to represent each of the following graduate professional colleges:

Dentistry	Medicine and public health	Optometry
Law		Veterinary medicine

- (B) For the purpose of voting in a senate election, each professional student shall be an elector only in his or her academic unit.

3335-17-07 Apportionment of undergraduate student members.

- (A) Twenty-six undergraduate student members shall be apportioned as follows:

- (1) Ten students, one to represent each of the following academic constituencies:

- Food, agricultural and environmental sciences (one representative)
- Arts and humanities (one representative)
- Biological, mathematical and physical sciences (one representative)
- Business (one representative)
- Education (one representative)
- Engineering (one representative)
- Allied medicine (one representative)
- Social and behavioral sciences (one representative)
- Social work and human ecology (one representative)
- Educational exploration program--EXP (one representative)

- (2) Ten students, representing the following living area constituencies:

- University district (four representatives)
- Commuters (two representatives)
- Greek community (one representative)
- Campus residence halls (three representatives)

- (3) Four students, one to represent each of the following regional campus constituencies:

OSU-Lima campus
OSU-Mansfield campus
OSU-Marion campus
OSU-Newark campus

- (4) The diversity senator.
- (5) The vice president of the undergraduate student government.
- (B) For the purpose of voting in a senate election, each undergraduate student shall be an elector in his or her academic or regional constituency, his or her living area constituency and for the diversity senator.

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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 faculty and available for senate service autumn, winter and spring quarters during their elected terms, and with at least seventy-five per cent of total service on the Columbus or a regional campus, or at the Ohio agricultural research and development center, or at the agricultural technical institute.
 - (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.

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