



Faculty Governance at NU

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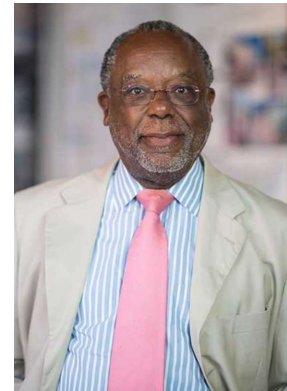
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University Governance & Faculty Rights Documents

- [Faculty Handbook](#)
- [Student Handbook](#)
 - Student Bill of Rights & Responsibilities
- [University Catalog](#)
 - Courses & grading section
- [University Policies Website](#)

Our “Living” Faculty Handbook

- [Faculty Handbook](#)
- Every module updated within the past 3 years

Handbook Modules

Governance

Statement of the Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Bylaws

Dismissal Proceedings: Tenured and Tenure-Track Faculty

Dismissal Proceedings: Full-time Non-Tenure Track Faculty

Faculty Discipline

Full-Time Faculty Grievance Procedure

Non-retaliation for Participation in Faculty Governance

Appointments, Promotions and Tenure

Rights And Responsibilities

Performance Expectations

Compensation

Appointments, Terms and Reappointments

Tenure

Tenure and Promotion of Jointly Appointed Faculty

Promotion

Sabbatical

Leaves of Absence and Vacation

Rights In Teaching, Research and Scholarship

Academic Freedom

Patent and Copyright

Instructional Media

Conflict of Commitment and Interest

Personnel Policies

Faculty Workloads

Presence at the University

Faculty Outside Professional Activities

Retirement

Academic Organization

The General University Faculty Advisory Board and Bylaws

The College Faculties

Procedural Guidelines in the Appointment and Evaluation of University Administrators

The Faculty Senate

<https://faculty.northeastern.edu/senate/>

**43 Senators (Full-Time Faculty
Members) Elected by Their Colleges to 2-Year
Senate Terms**

1. Bouvé College of Health Sciences
2. College of Arts, Media & Design
3. College of Engineering
4. College of Professional Studies
5. College of Science
6. College of Social Sciences and Humanities
7. D'Amore-McKim School of Business
8. Khoury College of Computer Sciences
9. School of Law
10. Mills College at Northeastern

50 Members for the Senate: Shared Governance Model

- Provost Chair of Faculty Senate
- 6 Administrators appointed by the Provost
 - Administrator = Any faculty member in a dean's, provost's or chancellor's office
 - Chairs/Directors included in full-time faculty group.
- Faculty contribute to meeting agendas via the Senate Agenda Committee
- Faculty Senate (virtual) meetings – Open to all Faculty

Senate Definition by the Board of Trustees

The Faculty Senate, together with the Administration of the University, has the responsibility of **maintaining and improving the academic standards** of the University and **making the functioning of the University more effective and harmonious.**

Responsibilities Assigned to Senate by the Board of Trustees

- **To act as a coordinating body:**
 - establish mutually satisfactory academic goals and standards
- **To be consulted:**
 - on policies, proposals, and faculty concerns, including creation of new colleges, new campuses, and new departments
- **To be the final faculty body:**
 - to deliberate and act upon recommendations from university curriculum committees
- **To initiate consideration and recommendation:**
 - on any matter of faculty concern
- **To undertake legislative and advisory functions:**
 - in connection with the work of the University, its President, and/or the Board of Trustees
- **To provide communication:**
 - between the University faculty and the Administration

Senate Standing Committees

- Senate Agenda Committee
- Academic Policy Committee
- Administrator Evaluation Oversight Committee
- Faculty Development Committee
- Financial Affairs Committee
- Full-time Non-Tenure-Track Faculty Committee
- University Graduate Curriculum Committee
- Inclusion and Diversity Committee
- University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
- Global Education Committee
- Faculty Handbook Committee

Senate Agenda Committee (SAC)

- Senate elects 6 SAC members
 - Includes Chair & Secretary positions
 - SAC Chair presides at Senate
- SAC responsibilities
 - Set the agenda for all Senate meetings
 - Staff standing committees; create *ad hoc* committees
 - Provide regular channel for consultation and communication between the faculty and administration
 - Represent the faculty on University-level committees
 - Meet at least once each year with the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees

Recent Senate Activities

1. Passed 30 resolutions including the establishment of a Benefits Human Resources Task Force to explore options to apply for tuition exchange or other scholarships at other accredited institutions.
2. Approved 10 new programs: 4 MS, 4 MA, 1 BA, 1 BS
3. Approved a new degree program: Cross Disciplinary Science PhD in the COS.

Senate Activities....

7. Ombuds presentation and follow up with our ad hoc Shared Governance Committee
8. Manage search committees for 2 deans and 7 chairs
9. Manage faculty evaluations for 9 administrators:
 2 deans, 5 chairs, 2 directors
10. Oversaw 1 student academic appeal

What the Senate is focusing on this year:

1. Communication
 - Shared Governance
2. One Faculty Model
 - Development funds
3. Globalization
 - NEU's Research and Teaching Network

From your viewpoint

- Meet interesting people, learn interesting things & shape NU
- **Be informed:**
 - Agendas for the Senate meetings emailed to all faculty
 - The [Senate web site](#) is a rich source of information
 - Regular Faculty Senate Newsletters to all faculty after each meeting
- **Let your voice be heard:**
 - Your College senators represent you!
 - Discuss Senate/University topics and make your opinion known
 - Contact SAC: considers each idea it receives and will also respect the request for confidentiality
- **Get involved:**
 - Senate committees work on array of university-wide topics
 - Survey sent out each spring for committee volunteers
 - Attend Faculty Senate meetings

Questions?

