

UC San Diego Academic Senate: Standing & Special Committees

Standing Committees

[Academic Freedom](#)

This committee considers any issues related to academic freedom, particularly as they affect faculty

[Academic Information Technology](#)

This committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Division and to the Administration concerning policies governing online education and the development and management of information technology for instruction, research, and for the needs of the campus a whole.

[Academic Personnel](#)

This committee reviews proposed academic personnel actions and makes recommendations to the Executive Vice Chancellor and the Chancellor concerning appointments, promotions, and related matters; it confers with and advises the Administration and other agencies on general policy relating to academic personnel.

[Admissions](#)

This committee considers and reports on matters involving undergraduate admissions.

[Campus and Community Environment](#)

This committee studies and makes recommendations regarding development and utilization of buildings, land, transportation, and parking facilities on and near campus.

[Campus Climate Change](#)

This committee confers with and advises the Senate and administration on matters pertaining to campus decarbonization, climate change impacts and mitigation, climate change in educational programs, and climate change research. It studies and collects data on the climate change impacts of campus activities and develops recommendations for short-term, medium-term, and long-term changes to campus policy and behavior.

[Committee On Committees](#)

This committee appoints members (other than *ex officio* members) of all standing and special committees of the Division and designates the chair and vice chair of each committee. This committee nominates a Division member to each systemwide Academic Senate committee, nominates faculty members for membership on Administrative

committees, and nominates at least two candidates for each office to be filled in any Divisional election. This committee fills vacancies in other Divisional committees open due to resignation of member(s).

[DEI Course Requirement Committee](#)

The committee makes recommendations to the Undergraduate Council on courses that may be used for the purpose of fulfilling the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Requirement and the criteria that these courses are expected to meet.

[Diversity and Equity](#)

This committee confers with the Administration and the Academic Senate on general policies bearing on affirmative action and diversity.

[Educational Policy](#)

This committee makes recommendations to the Division concerning all matters of educational policy (e.g. grading policy, academic honesty); supervises Division's endorsement of publications dealing with educational matters; approves or disapproves all student petitions for exceptions to Senate Regulations; considers student appeals regarding appropriate academic accommodation for students with disabilities, grades that may have been based on non-academic criteria, and from students who have not satisfied the Entry Level Writing Requirement.

[Extended Studies](#)

This committee advises the Chancellor and the Dean of University Extension on functional, educational, budgetary, and personnel policies of UCSD Extended Studies; advises the Dean for Extended Studies on special interest educational programs, low-power television station, and public service programs.

[Faculty Welfare](#)

This committee considers matters of faculty economic welfare (e.g. salaries, benefits, health insurance, retirement, childcare, etc.) and serves as a liaison between the Division and the administrative bodies concerned with healthcare and health plans.

[Graduate Council](#)

This committee makes recommendations to systemwide Senate for the establishment of new graduate programs; approves changes to existing graduate programs; approves proposals for new graduate courses and changes to existing graduate courses; conducts regular reviews of current graduate programs; makes recommendations to the Dean of Graduate Division regarding distribution of graduate student fellowship funds; and approves text describing graduate programs, schools, and colleges in publications.

[International Education](#)

This committee considers all matters concerned with the Education Abroad Program and all aspects of international education and exchange.

[Jane Teranes Climate Change Education Requirement Committee](#)

1) This committee shall make recommendations to the Undergraduate Council on proposed new undergraduate courses and existing ones that may be used to fulfill the Climate Change Requirement. [see SD 600.H] 2) This committee shall make recommendations to the Undergraduate Council on the criteria that courses are expected to meet to be used for the purpose of fulfilling the Climate Change Requirement. 3) This committee will report to Undergraduate Council the number of courses submitted but not recommended for approval and the rationale.

[Library](#)

This committee provides liaison between the faculty and the Library administration in all matters of Library policy and advises the Administration regarding Library issues.

[Planning and Budget](#)

This committee confers with and advises the Administration and the Academic Senate Leadership on planning, budget, and resource allocations.

[Preparatory Education](#)

This committee monitors academic aspects of preparatory and remedial education; supervises implementation of the Entry Level Writing Requirement; proposes establishment and conducts periodic reviews, evaluation and termination of preparatory and remedial education.

[Privilege and Tenure](#)

This committee considers grievances filed by Senate members regarding alleged violations of their rights and privileges, and allegations of faculty misconduct filed by the Administration. It advises the Administration and the Division on general policies involving privilege and tenure of Senate members.

[Research](#)

This committee considers matters related to organized research activities but does NOT consider research grant applications for research funding.

[Research Grants - General Campus](#)

This committee allocates funds within its purview to Division members for support of research and travel to attend scholarly meetings.

[Research Grants - Health Sciences](#)

This committee allocates funds within its purview to Division members for support of research and travel to attend scholarly meetings.

[Research Grants - Marine Sciences](#)

This committee allocates funds within its purview to Division members for support of research and travel to scholarly meetings.

[Rules and Jurisdiction](#)

This committee reviews legislation proposed for adoption by the Division to determine compliance with existing Academic Senate Bylaws and Regulations and advises regarding the scope and jurisdiction of the Academic Senate.

[Senate Awards](#)

This committee solicits nominations for the Distinguished Teaching, Faculty Research Lecturer, and other Senate awards, and presents nominations for recipients of these awards to the Representative Assembly for approval.

[Undergraduate Council](#)

The council has the authority to review and approve or disapprove all new undergraduate programs and changes to existing programs in any department, interdisciplinary program, or equivalent unit wholly or partially responsible to the Division. The council shall review the proposed undergraduate academic plan of a college and any proposed amendments to the undergraduate academic plan of a college. The council authorizes and supervises all undergraduate courses of instruction in the Division and supervises the Division's endorsement of publications dealing with educational matters. It conducts periodic reviews of existing undergraduate programs.

[Undergraduate Scholarships and Honors](#)

This committee recommends the awarding of undergraduate scholarships and competitive awards and establishes minimum standards for undergraduate honors.

Special Committees

[Academic Integrity Review Board](#)

The Board hears cases of student academic misconduct.

[E-Petitions Workgroup](#)

This ad hoc committee will guide the Academic Senate in the development of an electronic student petitions application. The application will include an approval workflow engine with the intelligence to direct work flow to the appropriate users, including students and users in academic departments, administrative units, and the Senate Office, at the appropriate stage; the capacity to store reference documents needed to complete a business process; a dashboard for users to view the status of transactions that they have initiated or reviewed/approved; the

ability to send approval notifications at the completion of a business process; and a means of data analysis and reporting on the information stored.

[Faculty Advisory Board / Academic Internship Program](#)

This committee advises the Provost of Earl Warren College on issues concerned with the Academic Internship Program; it reviews student papers submitted for internships of more than 4 units.

[Privilege and Tenure Panel of Advisors](#)

Panel members are available for consultation to Senate members who may be considering filing a grievance or who have been notified by the Administration that they are the subject of a disciplinary hearing. Advisors provide peer counseling, but do not serve as representatives of any faculty

[Shadow Cap](#)

The Committee was established to review the academic personnel files of current and immediate past members of the Committee on Academic Personnel (CAP), as well as their significant others.