



# OSU Faculty Senate News

October 11, 2022

*The OSU Faculty Senate represents academic and research faculty (tenure, tenure-track and fixed-term), as well as professional faculty. There is no minimum FTE for Faculty Senate inclusion. The defined faculty ranks appear in Article III of the Bylaws at <https://senate.oregonstate.edu/bylaws>.*

*The purpose of the newsletter is to update faculty on upcoming opportunities and events, as well as information items related to the Faculty Senate.*

## 1. **October 13 Faculty Senate Agenda**

- Action Item
  - Baccalaureate Core Reform
- Remarks from OSU President Jayathi Murthy
- Special Report
  - Office of Faculty Affairs Update – Rick Settersten, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs

*Reception for OSU President Jayathi Murthy in the LaSells Stewart Center Ag Production Room following the Senate meeting.*

## 2. **Baccalaureate Core Reform**

As AY 2022-23 begins, we look forward to continuing the important work of reforming the Baccalaureate Core. On October 13, 2022, the Faculty Senate will resume with the postponed action item from the June 9 Senate Meeting to vote on the motion on the floor:

*"The Faculty Senate of Oregon State University to ratify the revised Baccalaureate Core structure as presented in the Baccalaureate Core Reform Committee [Report and Proposal](#)."*

In hopes of refreshing ourselves on the multi-year effort, process, and proposed curriculum, we are sharing the Baccalaureate Core Reform Report. This is a lengthy document and, while all aspects of the report are contextually important, you may want to look particularly at pages 10-17 to learn about the structure and descriptions of the proposed General Education Curriculum.

We also recommend revisiting meetings sponsored by the Faculty Senate where Baccalaureate Core Reform was discussed:

- [May 12, 2022](#) – Faculty Senate
- [May 20, 2022](#) – Special Session
- [June 9, 2022](#) – Faculty Senate
- [October 7, 2022](#) – Baccalaureate Core Reform Proposal Refresher

## 3. **Candidate Nominations for Faculty Senate President-Elect, Executive Committee and Interinstitutional Faculty Senate Elections**

Faculty are encouraged to suggest colleagues whom they believe are knowledgeable about the university and who would well represent OSU Faculty. Faculty may also nominate themselves. Please forward candidate suggestions for any of the below positions **by Noon on October 21** to Vickie Nunnemaker at

[vickie.nunnemaker@oregonstate.edu](mailto:vickie.nunnemaker@oregonstate.edu) who will determine their eligibility. **When responding, please insert 'Candidate' in the Subject line** so your nomination may be easily searched.

- President-Elect – Candidates must now be or have been an OSU Faculty Senator
- Interinstitutional Faculty Senator – Candidates need not have been an OSU Faculty Senator
- Executive Committee – Candidates must now be or have been an OSU Faculty Senator

#### 4. **Faculty Senate Elections – Faculty with Split Appointments**

According to the Faculty Senate Bylaws, non-tenured faculty who have split appointments between two apportionment units may choose with which unit they wish to be apportioned for Faculty Senate purposes. For example, if a faculty member has a split appointment between Agricultural Sciences and Science, they may choose one or the other (FTE will not be split between apportionment units). This choice will determine Faculty Senate representation. Faculty not indicating where they wish to be apportioned will be placed in an apportionment unit at the discretion of the Faculty Senate Office.

**No later than Noon on October 21**, please complete and submit the survey at [https://oregonstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_d7mE0TNpONtBKBO](https://oregonstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_d7mE0TNpONtBKBO) to indicate with which apportionment unit you wish to be affiliated.

Tenured faculty will be apportioned in their tenure unit, with the exception of the following apportionment units: off-campus Extension, OSU-Cascades and Hatfield Marine Science Center.

#### 5. **Indicating Interest in Serving as a Faculty Senator OR Declining Senator Election**

To ensure inclusivity, all currently employed academic, research, extension and professional faculty, regardless of FTE, are eligible to be elected to a Faculty Senator position and represent faculty in their respective Faculty Senate apportionment unit.

If you wish to either **decline** to have your name placed on the Senator Nomination Ballot, or you wish to indicate a **strong interest** in serving if elected, please complete and submit the survey at [https://oregonstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9sNh5HbNJyr0BuK](https://oregonstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9sNh5HbNJyr0BuK) **no later than Noon on November 14**. *Faculty must decline each year.*

If one wishes to indicate to their colleagues that they have a strong interest in serving as a Faculty Senator, if elected, a designator will be placed next to their name on the ballot to indicate their interest.

Executive Levels 1, 2 and 3 (typically, dean or above) are excluded from being elected, as are Senators who are completing two consecutive three-year terms, a current Senator whose term extends beyond December 31, 2022 or faculty who are on LWOP.

#### 6. **Center for Teaching and Learning Fall 2022 Programming**

The Center for Teaching and Learning is embarking on a year-long program called "We Care About Quality Teaching Campaign." See the Fall 2022 program offerings at <https://oregonstate.app.box.com/s/f32xzlj9zlx4ljt8jhgl8pfigxddwj0>.

#### 7. **Faculty Handbook Update**

The core handbook team, composed of members of faculty affairs and faculty senate leadership, is coordinating and reviewing final rounds of feedback on

proposed promotion criteria for new ranks and helpful clarifications related to aligned ranks. Thanks to faculty senators who, since last spring, provided input on these documents via Qualtrics. At the November faculty senate meeting, we anticipate a vote on text related to Research Associate and Faculty Research Assistant ranks, with other items to follow at the December senate meeting.

#### **8. Transfer Council**

SB 233 (2021) directed the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECC) to streamline transfer in Oregon by establishing a statewide Transfer Council (TC). The TC is charged with developing recommendations on a common course numbering (CCN) system, Major Transfer Maps, and other transfer-related concerns. OSU has two representatives on the Council – Gloria Crisp (Professor, College of Education) represents University faculty and Alix Gitelman (Vice Provost for Academic Affairs & Senior Vice Provost) represents University academic officers.

Four CCN faculty subcommittees (math, stats, writing, and communications) were charged last year with developing a common course system for a select group of commonly transferred 100-200 level classes. The TC also appointed an operations subcommittee to work on technical and implementation issues related to CCN. Rebecca Mathern (Associate Vice Provost and Registrar) and Marty Main (Programmer Analyst) are representing OSU. The TC meets monthly. All meetings are public, and minutes are available at:

<https://www.oregon.gov/highered/policy-collaboration/Pages/transfer-council.aspx>

#### **9. Fall Term Library Workshops**

Check out the OSU Libraries' free Graduate Student & Faculty Because many of the workshops will be held over Zoom, registration is required for the links. For complete session descriptions, visit [the workshop calendar page](#). Can't make it to a session? Some of the sessions have handouts or online tutorials:

<http://guides.library.oregonstate.edu/WorkshopHandouts>

#### **10. Internationalization Grant Application Cycle Open for Fall 2022**

Internationalization Grants may award up to \$5,000 for projects that advance the University's internationalization agenda as described in SP4.0 and/or the [internationalization and global engagement strategy](#).

Internationalization Grants may award up to \$5,000 for projects that advance the University's internationalization agenda as described in SP4.0 and/or the [internationalization and global engagement strategy](#).

#### **11. Beaver Healthy**

A new website, [Beaver Healthy](#), has been launched that includes information on COVID-19, MPV and influenza, as well as more general health and wellness guidance. All university-level COVID-19 information provided by [University Human Resources](#) (for employees) and [Student Health Services](#) (for students) is provided on this site. Guidance and information that is campus or location specific is noted and linked.

#### **12. Communicating with the Faculty Senate President**

To ensure that messages related to Faculty Senate issues are routed directly to the Faculty Senate President, please address your messages to [FS.President@oregonstate.edu](mailto:FS.President@oregonstate.edu).

### 13. **Faculty Senate Fall 2022 Meetings – Dates and Participation**

During AY 2022-23, Faculty Senate meetings will be held in person with a Zoom Webinar format for those who participate from OSU locations outside of Corvallis and for those who cannot participate in person. If possible, it is preferred for Faculty Senators and guests to attend in person to facilitate engagement.

Faculty Senate meetings for Fall 2022 are scheduled for October 13, November 10 and December 8 from 3-5PM. Corvallis-based Faculty Senators are encouraged to attend Senate meetings in person. All meetings will be via hybrid format – typically in-person in the LaSells Stewart Construction and Engineering Hall and broadcast via a Webinar format through Zoom. Since the physical location may occasionally change, please check the [Faculty Senate website](#) or monthly agenda for the correct location.

Non-Senators are welcome to participate, but the login instructions are not published. If you wish to remotely participate in Faculty Senate meetings, please complete the linked Qualtrics [survey](#) requesting to participate – you'll need to provide your OSU email, name and unit (please, no abbreviations). Your OSU email will be subscribed to a listserv to receive Zoom instructions as well as the agenda for future Faculty Senate meetings. You are encouraged to submit the survey at least a day prior to the Senate meeting since requests made the day of the meeting may not be effective until the next month.

You need only to complete the survey once to be subscribed to the listserv. If you are not receiving agendas after submitting the survey, please check your junk/spam folder or contact Caitlin Calascibetta at [caitlin.calascibetta@oregonstate.edu](mailto:caitlin.calascibetta@oregonstate.edu).

*Non-Senators are welcome to attend Faculty Senate meetings.*

### 14. **2022 Faculty Senate Leadership**

- President – Kate MacTavish
- President-Elect – Selina Heppell
- Past President – Mike Bailey
- Executive Committee – Justin Fleming, Anne Gillies, Jake Hamblin, McKenzie Huber (IFS), Margaret Mellinger, Todd Palmer, Marleigh Perez and Jordon Zardinejad
- Interinstitutional Faculty Senate Senators – JoAnne Bunnage, John Edwards and McKenzie Huber
- Faculty Senators representing all apportionment units are online at <https://senate.oregonstate.edu/current-year-membership>.

*Information about the Faculty Senate is available online at <https://senate.oregonstate.edu/>. If you have questions about any of the items listed above or need additional information, you may call 541-737-6268 or send an email with a Subject line of Spring FS Newsletter to [faculty.senate@oregonstate.edu](mailto:faculty.senate@oregonstate.edu).*