

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES FACULTY ELECTIONS**  
**Spring 2020**  
**(for service beginning August 1, 2020)**

University & College service are essential for shared governance of UT. Information is available on the CAS website: <https://artsci.utk.edu/faculty-staff-resources/policy-procedures/college-committees/>.

**COLLEGE FACILITATED ELECTIONS**

Those interested in serving on any of the University & College Committees outlined below should gather & submit the following documents by email directly to Marla Roberts ([mrober56@utk.edu](mailto:mrober56@utk.edu)) no later than **Friday, May 29, 2020**:

- **2020 College of Arts & Sciences Committee Nomination Form (a petition of support with at least 5 signatures from tenured or tenure-track faculty; electronic signatures accepted)**
  - **Short candidate statement of interest or qualifications (no more than 150 words. The purpose of the statement is to provide faculty unfamiliar with the candidate some information on which to base their votes.)**
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**GRADUATE COUNCIL**

The Graduate Council establishes standards for admission, retention, and graduation; assesses curricular revisions and new proposals for graduate programs; evaluates interdisciplinary, intercollegiate and international programs; approves individuals to direct doctoral dissertations; and considers new initiatives and other matters of policy pertaining to graduate programs. Graduate Council is a special committee of the Faculty Senate that works closely with the Graduate School and a variety of other campus bodies to fulfill its mission. Eligible faculty must regularly teach graduate courses or supervise graduate study and must (1) hold full-time or continuing part-time appointment with the rank of assistant professor or higher, and (2) perform academic duties consisting of at least half-time teaching, research, service or departmental administration. Members serve a three-year term and meetings typically take place Thursday afternoons.

**Open Seats: 8 nominees to fill 4 seats from any discipline (2020-2023)**

**UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL**

The Undergraduate Council is charged by the Faculty Senate to set standards for admission, retention, and graduation; review curricular matters in the undergraduate programs; development of interdisciplinary programs; approve new programs and any other matters of educational policy pertaining to undergraduate programs. Representatives are apportioned among the Divisions of Social Sciences, Humanities, and Natural Sciences. Members must (1) hold full-time or continuing part-time appointment with the rank of assistant professor or higher, and (2) perform academic duties consisting of at least half-time teaching, research, service or departmental administration.

**Open Seats: 6 nominees to fill 3 seats from any discipline (2020-2023)**

**COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

The Curriculum Committee is a policy-making body charged with providing leadership and recommendations in curricular development. It reviews all curricular proposals approved by the Divisional Committees before they are presented to the Graduate Council and/or the Undergraduate Council. The Committee consists of ten tenured and/or tenure-track faculty members.

**No Open Seats to Fill**

### **COLLEGE TEACHING COUNCIL**

The Council works with an Associate Dean designated by the Dean to provide leadership related to the College's instructional mission, including course evaluations, peer review of teaching, and development/maintenance of program assessment. It is responsible for advising the College on College-wide policies and best-practice documents regarding undergraduate and graduate instruction and providing a forum where teaching issues raised by the College's departments can be addressed. Members must be tenured or tenure-track faculty.

**Open Seats: 8 nominees for 4 positions**

**(Each nominee must submit a statement of teaching philosophy in addition to the two other required nomination items that are emailed to Marla Roberts.)**

**1 Natural Sciences representative (2020-2023)**

**1 Social Sciences representative (2020-2023)**

**1 Fine Arts representative (2020-2023)**

**1 Humanities representative (2020-2023)**

### **COLLEGE PROMOTION AND TENURE**

The College Promotion and Tenure Committee reviews and evaluates all promotion and/or tenure recommendations submitted by the departments in the College, and presents its findings to the Dean. Membership consists of ten full professors elected by the College tenured and tenure-track faculty for staggered three-year terms. **In addition to yearlong service, members MUST be available for several daylong meetings Dec. 7-18, 2020 and Jan. 4-12, 2021.**

**Open Seats: 8 nominees for 4 positions**

**1 Natural Sciences representative (2020-2023)**

**1 Fine Arts representative (2020-2023)**

**1 Humanities representative (2020-2023)**

**1 At-Large representative (2020-2023)**

### **Connections/Global Challenges Committee**

The Connections/Global Challenges Committee evaluates proposals to create new Connections Packages, proposals to modify existing Connections Packages, proposals to remove existing Connections Packages from the College curriculum, and proposals to add courses to, or remove courses from, the Global Challenges list. This committee consists of seven faculty members. It includes two tenure-track or tenured faculty members elected from Arts & Humanities, Natural Sciences, and Social Sciences. It also includes one at-large faculty member, who may be a tenured or tenure-track faculty member or a non-tenure-track faculty member with the rank of Senior Lecturer or higher. Members are elected for staggered two-year terms. Members may not be on the College Curriculum Committee. The committee meets at least once each semester.

**Open Seats: 8 nominees for 4 positions**

**1 Arts & Humanities representative (2020-2022)**

**1 Natural Sciences representative (2020-2022)**

**1 Social Sciences representative (2020-2022)**

**1 At-Large representative (2020-2022)**