

NAME OF COMMITTEE	<i>ACADEMIC SENATE</i>
COMMITTEE CHARGE	<p>The purpose of the Senate is to provide the means to represent the “Senate Association” in the formation and implementation of policy on academic and professional matters.</p> <p>In implementing policies, the Senate will represent the “Senate Association” to the President of the College and to the Board of Trustees with respect to academic and professional matters [so called 10+1 issues] and exercise powers granted by the California Education Code and the Board of Governors.</p> <p>The Senate shall assume primary responsibility in the areas of curriculum and academic standards as specified in the California Education Code.</p> <p>Senate By-laws also dictate, to some degree, the manner in which the above charge shall be accomplished.</p>
SCOPE OF AUTHORITY	<p>The Senate is the sole voice of the faculty and makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees or designee with respect to academic and professional matters [10+1]. District board policy states that the Board of Trustees shall rely primarily upon the recommendations of the Senate in these areas. Rely primarily means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations of the senate will normally be accepted • Only in exceptional circumstances and for compelling reasons will the recommendations not be accepted • If not accepted, board/designee shall communicate its reasons in writing, if requested (see Title 5.3 §53200)
REPORTS TO	
COMMUNICATES WITH and the college community.
COMPOSITION	<p>Chaired by Academic Senate President</p> <p>25 elected representatives – one from each academic department</p> <p>1 SGA representative</p> <p>1 elected adjunct faculty representative</p>