

Academic Senate Election

Fall 2026

Regular Election: Faculty Department Chairs [August 1, 2027-July 31, 2029]

- Applied Science & Technology (Justin Flint, current chair)
- Art (Darrin Ekern, current chair)
- Behavioral Sciences (Ginger LeBlanc, current chair)
- Biology (Joe Saldivar, current chair)
- Child Development (Lily Pimentel-Stratton, current chair)
- Communication (Fabiola Butcher, current chair)
- Counseling (Keri Kennedy, current chair)
- Culinary Arts, Nutrition, & Hospitality (Alex Gomez, current chair)
- Education (Kimberly Bligh, current chair)
- Engineering & Information Technology (Jason Dixon, current chair)
- Kinesiology, Health, Athletics & Public Health Sciences (Carl Dean, current chair)
- Nursing (Debra Kennedy, current chair)
- Performing Arts (Timothy Heasley, current chair)
- Physical Science (Ximena Da Silva Tavares, current chair)
- Public Safety Training Programs (Christian Zoller, current chair)
- World Languages (Michael Westwood, current chair)

Timeline:

- Nominations: October 5 – 19 (two weeks)
- Ballots: October 20-27 (one week)
- Results forwarded to college president (October 28)

Special Election: College Council Representatives [Fall 2026-Spring 2028]

- Faculty Rep A – Agriculture, Allied Health, Applied Science/Technology, Business Education, Child Development, culinary Arts/Nutrition/Hospitality, Engineering/Information Technology, Industrial Technology, Nursing (Heather Balits, current rep)
- Faculty Rep C- Art, Communication, Performing Arts, Philosophy, Social Science, World Languages (Michael Korcok, current rep)
- Faculty Rep D – Behavioral Science, Biology, Public Safety Training Programs, Kinesiology/Health/Athletics/Public Health Sciences (Nick Strobel, current rep) **[to complete term ending Spring 2027]**

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Information regarding elections nominations and election procedures can be found in the Academic Senate [Constitution](#) & [By-Laws](#):

Constitution Article 7, Section 1-6

By-Laws, Article 6, Section 1-3

Information regarding Faculty Department Chairs can be found in the [CCA Contract](#).