



TO: Council on Graduate Studies

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RE: CGS Bylaws Revision

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Proposed Bylaws Revisions to Elections Policy

2. Six faculty members elected for three-year staggered terms. Only members of the regular Graduate Faculty are eligible to vote and/or hold membership on the Council. Faculty members may vote only for the nominee(s) from their ~~area~~ college, as follows:

- Area I: Three (3) representatives to be elected from the Graduate Faculty in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (one from the Arts/Humanities Area, one from the Sciences, and one at-large member)
- Area II: One (1) representative to be elected from the Graduate Faculty in the Lumpkin College of Business and Technology.
- Area III: One (1) representative to be elected from the Graduate Faculty in the College of Education
- Area IV: One (1) representatives to be elected from the Graduate Faculty in the College of Health and Human Services.
- Area V: One (1) graduate faculty member to be appointed by the Dean of the Graduate School. The appointment shall be for one year.
- Area VI: One degree seeking graduate student who is enrolled for a minimum of nine semester hours of graduate course work and who is selected according to the rotational plan approved by the Graduate Student Advisory Council. The appointment shall be for one year.

C. Election Procedures for Council Membership

Elections will be held during the Spring Semester at a time to be determined by the Faculty Senate. Elected members will serve a three-year term beginning the Fall Semester after election. Elections will be conducted according to the following three-year cycle.

First year: Area II

Second year: Areas I (At-Large Rep AND Sciences Rep) and III

Third year: Areas II (Arts/Humanities Rep) and IV

Only regular members of the Graduate Faculty ~~in the respective areas~~ may vote for nominees from ~~that area~~ their college.

Rationale for Revision: Reduction in the number of graduate faculty necessitates that the bylaws not restrict the number of eligible voters.