

## Approved

### Annual Report of the Committee on Committees 2015-16

The Committee on Committees (COMS) meets bi-weekly during the fall semester and weekly during the spring semester, and stands on call to provide nominations for Senate and Administrative service.

COMS had a particularly active, challenging and productive year. Especially in light of a change in Senate leadership mid-way through the AY. As usual, it gave its attention most persistently to (1) selecting and recruiting faculty for the twenty-eight committees of the UC Berkeley Academic Senate, (2) nominating UCB representatives to sixteen system-wide committees as well as helping to form senate committees at the U.C. system-wide level, and (3) providing nominations to administrative committees that were constituted over the academic year. Among these were search committees for two campus deans, a chancellor review in Santa Barbara, EVCP search, VC for Administration and Finance search, Vice Provost Academic & Space Planning search and a search for UCB's Vice Provost for Faculty. University Office of the President systemwide requests were answered; notably for the Oliver Johnson Award, ASCANAR, Editorial Committee nominations, University Rules & Jurisdiction (UCRJ) and the UC Retirement System Advisory Committee.

Building on the successes evident in recent years, COMS was able to recruit and place a total of 34 new-to-service faculty members on Senate committees for 2016-17, and retain over 90% of last year's new to Senate service faculty. A total of 342 faculty were recruited to committees of the UCB Academic Senate for academic year 2016-17, with representation from 58 departments on campus.

COMS has utilized Committee members to do more outreach and mentoring in their own departments and strongly recommends that more Committees encourage a mentoring and sharing of information in department meetings. COMS notes their outreach is of benefit to the Senate and also serves as a way to have more balanced committees and a more well-rounded election ballot.

COMS continues to rely very heavily on the chairs of Senate committees to know how well their committees are functioning and what they need in the way of new appointments, and on deans and department chairs to know how to match faculty interests to the needs of Senate service.

Signed,  
Committee on Committees 2015-16

Chair Juana Maria Rodriguez (Gender and Womens Studies)  
Danica Chen (Nutritional Science)  
Brian DeLay (History)  
William Drummond (Journalism)  
Mark Goble (English)  
Sandra Smith (Sociology)  
Sofia Villas Boas (ARE), alternate  
Ming Wu (EECS)  
Maciej Zworski (Math)

**COMS formal actions this year included the following actions:**

- A. Academic Senate Committees. Appointments to all of Berkeley's standing committees for 2016-17.**
- B. U.C. Systemwide Committees. Nominations of Berkeley campus representatives to all 16 standing systemwide committees for 2016-17.**
- C. Administrative Committees. Nominations to following committees:**
  - Athletics Advisory Committee, Chancellor's
  - Classroom Policy and Management, Campus Committee on (CCCPM)
  - Compliance & Risk Committee (CERC)
  - Cooperative Extension Specialist Review Committee
  - Coordination Board Committee
  - Cyber Risk Committee
  - End of Year Bias Committee
  - Faculty Service Award, Berkeley
  - Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Chancellor's
  - Green Initiative Program Committee
  - Hellman Family Faculty Fund, Review Panel
  - Intercolligate Athletics Task Force
  - IT Strategy Committee
  - Police Review Board
  - Public Program Coordinators

Research, Teaching & Learning Technology Committee  
Senate Athletics Council (SAC)  
Sexual Violence Committee, Chancellor's  
Student Information Systems Advisory Committee, Chancellor's  
Student Fees Advisory Committee, Chancellor's  
Sustainability Committee (CACs), Chancellor's Advisory  
University Athletics Board (UAB)  
Work and Family Advisory Committee (CACWF), Chancellor's

**D. External Program Review nominations:**

- Bio Engineering
- Journalism
- Public Health
- IEOR
- Psychology
- School of Information
- Arts and Humanities

**E: Dean or Chancellor Searches/ Reviews:**

- Biological Science Dean Search
- Law School Dean Search
- Vice Chancellor for Administration & Finance Search
- UC Santa Barbara Chancellor Review Nominations

**F. Miscellaneous.**

- ASUC and Graduate Assembly student member appointments
- Continued improvement on analytical and historical information
- Improvement to the electronic Committee Service Preference Form (CSP)

**G. Future Action Items**

- Filling any late-rising vacancies on campus and systemwide committees
- Continue encouragement of faculty volunteers to Senate work
- Continued improvement to Senate data-base