

APPROVED

2023-24 Annual Report
Committee on Rules and Elections

In fulfilling its charge as established in the Bylaws of the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate, the Committee on Rules and Elections (R&E) carried out the following activities. The chairs of R&E during 2023-24 were Professor Terrence Deacon (fall) and Professor Carla Hesse (spring), Secretaries of the Division.

I. Division Elections

The results of the spring 2024 Berkeley Division elections were as follows.

- 497 ballots cast.
- Senate members elected to Divisional Council: Hannah Ginsborg (Philosophy), Joseph Gonzales (EECS), Daniel Sargent (History/Public Policy)
- Senate members elected to the Committee on Committees: David Bates (Rhetoric), Susanna Elm (History/Ancient Greek & Roman Studies), Ethan Ligon (Agricultural & Resource Economics), Mary Ann Smart (Music)

II. Finished Business

A. Completed with Written Comment

- **Proposed amendments to Berkeley Division legislation**
 - **Proposed rescission of BDB 23 (Ombudspersons)**
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (09/13/23)
 - **Proposed new BDB 73 (College of Computing, Data Science, and Society)**
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Max Auffhammer (09/15/23)
 - **Proposed amendment to BDB 21 (Committee on Faculty Welfare)**
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (10/06/23)
 - **Proposed new BDR 450 (Registration), 451 (Bachelor of Arts Degree), 452 (Major Programs), 453 (Honors), and 454 (Dismissal),** applicable to candidates for bachelor's degrees in the College of Computing, Data Science, and Society
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (10/06/23)
 - **Proposed new BDR 500 (Major Program), 501 (Bachelor of Science Degree), and 502 (Dismissal)** for the new Bachelor of Science degree in the School of Education
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (10/06/23)

- **Proposed amendment to BDB 36 (Faculty Athletics Council)**
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (12/14/23)
 - **Proposed amendment to BDB 73 (College of Computing, Data Science, and Society)**
Approval forwarded to Division Chair Max Auffhammer (03/25/24)
 - **Approved legislation for new degree programs**
 - **BDR 1560 Master of Computational Social Sciences (MCSS)**
Forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer as a conforming change (04/25/24)
 - **Proposed amendments to Systemwide Senate legislation**
 - **Proposed amendments to SB 55 (Departmental Voting Rights)**
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (11/02/23)
 - **Proposed revision to SR 424.A.3 (Area H) introducing an ethnic studies requirement for freshman admission to the University**
Comments forwarded to Division Chair Auffhammer (04/10/24)
 - **Proposed amendments to School of Optometry faculty bylaws**
Comments forwarded by email to School of Optometry Faculty Chair Austin Roorda (10/19/23)
 - **Council of Undergraduate Deans query about use of term “academic notice”**
Comments forwarded by email to L&S Division of Undergraduate Studies Coordinator of Educational Policy Khia Brunelle (12/14/23)
- B. Completed without Written Comment**
- **R&E’s Guidelines for Conducting Senate Business Electronically**
Revised guidelines were approved and adopted (10/03/23)
- III. Unfinished Business – None**