Faculty Senate

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The Faculty Senate is an elected body of faculty members making policy recommendations to the university president. It serves as the voice of the faculty of A&M-Commerce, representing the interests, opinions, and recommendations of all faculty members regarding the administration and educational function of the university. The Faculty Senate is composed of one member elected by the library and by each academic department of the university. Any member of the faculty who holds the rank of instructor or higher and who has completed two academic years of full-time service to the university at the time he or she takes office is eligible for election to the Faculty Senate. Elections take place in the spring semester prior to a seated senator's term expiration. Senators serve for a three-year term, beginning on the first day of the fall semester following election.

Standing Senate committees include: Academic Life and Practice, Admission and Retention of Students, Budget, Curriculum, Faculty Awards, Organization of the Senate, and Webmaster. All members of the university faculty, administration, staff, and student body are eligible to serve on Senate committees. For more information on committees, meeting times, agendas, and minutes see the Faculty Senate website.

A&M-Commerce Procedure <u>12.04.99.R0.01</u>, Constitution of the Faculty Senate, describes the role and responsibilities of the Faculty Senate and includes full text of the Senate Bylaws and Rules. The Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules can also be found on the Faculty Senate website.