



Who is eligible to vote in the election?

Per Section 1.1.2.1. of the *Bylaws for Academic Governance*, “The voting faculty in the election of University-level councils and committees shall be all regular faculty, health professions faculty, and FRIB/NSCL faculty. Voting faculty also includes full-time fixed-term faculty who have served at least three consecutive years and full-time academic specialists who have served at least three consecutive years. Voting faculty must be engaged in academic activities of the University.” The term “regular faculty” means those appointed under the rules of tenure and holding the rank of professor, associate professor, or assistant professor, as well as all persons appointed as librarians. Furthermore, per Section 1.1.2.1.1., “Full-time shall be defined as a workload equal to or greater than a 0.9 full-time equivalent.”

Who is eligible to be elected?

The following types of people are eligible to be elected if they 1) hold faculty status in the voting college, and 2) are engaged in academic activities of the university:

- Regular faculty members (1.1.2.4.)
- Health professions faculty members (1.1.2.4.)
- FRIB/NSCL faculty members (1.1.2.4.)
- Full-time fixed-term faculty members who have served at least three consecutive years (1.1.2.5.)
- Full-time specialists who have served at least three consecutive years (1.1.2.5.)

Section 3.3.1.2.6. of the *Bylaws* also says that a person cannot serve more than two consecutive terms as a representative of the same constituency.

How does the CAC Chairperson factor in?

Once each college’s 2021-2022 College Advisory Committee Chairperson has been elected, that person will automatically become a Faculty Senate/University Council representative. Please make sure to stress to CAC Chairperson candidates that the CAC Chairperson is a member of **both** Faculty Senate and University Council. The CAC Chairperson's term on Faculty Senate/University Council will last for the entirety of their term as CAC Chairperson. Please be advised that the Secretary for Academic Governance **highly discourages designated someone else to serve as the CAC's designee** and **highly discourages electing co-chairs**. Feel free to contact acadgov@msu.edu with any questions.

How is the number of representatives determined?

Section 3.3.1.2.1. of the *Bylaws for Academic Governance* says, “Each college shall have at least two representatives, one of whom will be the Chairperson of the College Advisory Committee. Each college shall have one additional representative for every additional fifty voting faculty in excess of one hundred.” The Office of Academic Governance receives a census from Academic Human Resources annually, and the Secretary for Academic Governance determines the number of representatives based on the number of eligible faculty and specialists in each college.