

VOTING RIGHTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS
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Members of the General Faculty (defined in Article III, Section 1.0 of the Constitution) have the right to vote in University elections and in their appropriate school and departmental elections as specified by the Constitution of the General Faculty or the collective bargaining agreement. Constitutional and contractual elaborations and explanations are enumerated below.

1. Positions and issues for which all **full-time members of the General Faculty** may vote:
 - a. Speaker elect
 - b. Clerk of the Faculty
 - c. Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee
 - d. Members of the Faculty Affairs Committee
 - e. Members of the Committee on Committees
 - f. Chair of the University Educational Policy Committee
 - g. Members of the University Educational Policy Committee
 - h. Amendments to the University and appropriate School/college constitutions
 - i. Chair of the Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity Policy Committee
 - j. Members of the Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity Policy Committee
 - k. Department Academic Senate representatives
 - l. Chair of the Graduate Council
 - m. Graduate Council representative from departments with graduate programs
 - n. All other University, School, or Departmental committees for which the franchise is not restricted by the collective bargaining agreement or the Constitution.
 - o. Chair of the Faculty Budget Advisory Committee
 - p. Members of the Faculty Budget Advisory Committee
 - q. Statewide Academic Senators
 - r. Members of the Faculty Development Committee
2. Positions and issues for which only **Probationary and tenured full-time faculty unit employees** may vote:
 - a. Departmental retention, promotion, and tenure committees for the department of which the employee is a member (Agreement 15.35)
 - b. School/College retention promotion, and tenure committees for the School/College of which the employee is a member (Agreement.15.35)
 - c. The University Retention, promotion, and Tenure Committee (Agreement 15.35)
 - d. Leaves and Awards Committee (Agreement 27.5)
 - e. Changes in Retention, Promotion and Tenure procedures
 - f. Post Tenure Review Committee (MOU Article 15.35)
3. Positions and issues for which **full and part time faculty unit employees** may vote:
 - a. Department search committees for recommending the appointment of probationary faculty (Agreement 12.21A, 2.12, 2.13)
 - b. FMI Department Committee (MOU Article 31.19)
 - c. FMI Appeals Panel (MOU Article 31.34)
4. Faculty members on sabbatical leave, difference in pay leave, sick leave, emergency leave, absent as a witness, leave to vote, jury duty leave, paid bereavement leave, or professional leaves of absence without pay retain their voting rights (Agreement Articles 22, 23,24, 27, 28)
5. Faculty members on personal leave of absence without pay are not eligible to vote while on leave. (Agreement 22.7)
6. Faculty members participating in the Faculty Early Retirement Program (Article 29) and Pre-Retirement Reduction in Time Base program (Article 30) and librarians on the 10/12 pay plan retain their voting rights while on active duty but are not eligible to vote during the periods when they are not on duty.
7. Since Emeritus Professors not on active duty are not members of the faculty unit or the General Faculty, they may not vote.