

Ordinance XX

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Standing Committees of Senate

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1. **Membership of Standing Committees of Senate**

1.1 For each Standing Committee there shall be a Constitution and Terms of Reference approved by Senate.

1.2 Standing Committees shall include:

(i) A Chair

(ii) Ex-officio members

(iii) Members elected by Senate of whom not fewer than two shall be members of Senate except as provided in para. 9 of this Ordinance.

(iv) Student members appointed by the Students' Union Council

1.3 Standing Committees may also include:

(i) Members appointed by Faculty Boards

(ii) Co-opted members

(iii) Members elected by bodies other than Senate

2.

The Chair

2.1 Only members of Senate are eligible to serve as Chairs of Standing Committees.

2.2 Each Chair shall be appointed by Senate. He/she shall serve in the first instance for not more than two years and shall retire on 31 July next before the second anniversary of his/her appointment, but Senate may extend his/her appointment for not more than two years.

2.3 Following the termination of a period of office as Chair he/she shall not be eligible to serve as Chair of the same Standing Committee for a period of one year.

2.4 Notwithstanding the provisions of paras. 2.2 and 2.3 of this Ordinance, Senate may approve the Constitution of a Standing Committee which provides for the Vice-Chancellor to be Chair of that Committee ex-officio.

3.

Ex-officio Members

3.1 The Vice-Chancellor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor shall be ex-officio members of all Standing Committees of Senate.

3.2 There may be other ex-officio members named in the Constitution of each Standing Committee.

3.3 Ex-officio members shall remain as members only so long as they continue to hold the office by virtue of which they became members.

4.

Members Elected by Senate

4.1 All members of the General Assembly are eligible for election by Senate to Standing Committees except insofar as eligibility may be restricted by the Constitution of a Standing Committee or by the necessity to elect members of Senate to satisfy provisions of para 1.2(iii) of this Ordinance.

4.2 Members elected by Senate shall serve for three years and shall retire on 31 July next before the third anniversary of their election. They shall not thereafter be eligible to serve on the same Committee in the same capacity for a period of one

year.

5. **Student Members**

5.1 Student members of the University may be appointed to Standing Committees by the Students' Union Council and shall serve for not more than one year.

5.2 Student members may remain members of Standing Committees only so long as they continue to be students of the University.

5.3 No student may simultaneously serve on more than one Standing Committee of Senate.

5.4 There shall be not fewer than two nor more than four student members of each Standing Committee as specified in the Committee's Constitution.

6. **Members Appointed by Faculty Boards**

6.1 Wherever the Constitution of a Standing Committee requires that Faculty Boards shall appoint members, each Faculty Board shall appoint one of its own number.

6.2 Members appointed by Faculty Boards shall serve for not more than three years. They shall retire on 31 July next before the third anniversary of their appointments except that they shall remain members only so long as they continue to be members of the Faculty Boards that appointed them. They shall not thereafter be eligible to serve on the same Standing Committees in the same capacity for a period of one year.

7. **Co-opted Members**

7.1 A Standing Committee may co-opt members of the University insofar as its Constitution empowers it to do so.

7.2 Co-opted members shall serve for one year from their co-option, and shall be immediately eligible for further co-option.

8. **Other Elected Members**

8.1 Members may be elected to a Standing Committee by bodies other than Senate as may be provided for by the Constitution of the Standing Committee.

8.2 All such members shall serve for a period of two years and shall not be eligible for re-election in the same capacity for a period of one year.

9. **Saving Provisions**

9.1 Any member of a Standing Committee elected by Senate, who was a member of Senate at the time of his/her election, shall not cease to be a member of that Standing Committee for the reason that he/she ceases to be a member of Senate during his/her term of office, unless the Constitution of a Standing Committee stipulates that membership of Senate is a condition of membership of that Standing Committee.

9.2 Senate shall elect members of Senate to fill vacancies on Standing Committees insofar as they may be necessary to obtain the observance of para 1.2(iii) of this Ordinance that there shall be two members of Senate on each Standing Committee, which shall constitute a sufficient discharge of the requirements of para 1.2(iii).

10. **Appointments and Elections**

10.1 The Secretary of Senate shall notify members of Senate of all forthcoming vacancies on Standing Committees for Chairs and members elected by Senate. The Secretary shall call for nominations, which must be proposed and seconded by members of Senate, and endorsed by the nominee within a period of seven working days. If more than one nomination is received for any vacancy, a ballot of Senate members shall be arranged which shall be determined by simple majority.

10.2 When elections have been conducted in this manner, any vacancies which remain unfilled shall be filled, as far as possible, at the invitation of the Vice-Chancellor. Conditions of membership of members serving at the invitation of the Vice-Chancellor shall not differ from those of members elected by Senate.

10.3 Secretaries of Faculty Boards shall secure the appointment of members appointed by Faculty Boards in a manner similar to the election of members by Senate.

10.4 Student members shall be appointed at a meeting of the Students' Union Council.

10.5 The method of election of members under para 1.3(iii) of this Ordinance shall be defined in the Constitutions of the relevant Standing Committees.

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