Current Issues

Possible Items of Consideration for this Committee

The committee will determine its own agenda, but the Faculty Senate Executive Committee has identified some issues that it may wish to consider.

• Develop a new, more streamlined course approval process for both Gen Ed courses and for all other courses in the curriculum
• The full committee, in conjunction with the General Education subcommittee and with the Director of General Education, should establish the division of duties and responsibilities among the three entities.

Senate Committees

Each committee has:

• 6 faculty senators, one of whom shall serve as chairperson. All serve for their three years on the Senate. Chairs serve for two years.
• 2 students, one undergraduate and one graduate student. Students serve for one year and may be appointed to a second term.
• Committee chairs may ask the administration to make available administrators or staff whose expertise is aligned with the work of the committees to act as liaisons as needed. Liaisons are not committee members.
• Committee chairs may also ask faculty not in the Senate to serve as non-voting advisors as needed.

-See By-Laws: 4.13 – 4.17

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## Duties of the Committee

The duties for this committee are laid out in the By-Laws, sections 4.21 - 4.26

- Study and make recommendations (or return with comments) any items referred to the committee concerning the establishment, abolition, division or merging of the following
  - Colleges and schools of URI, undergraduate or graduate
  - General policies concerning academic requirements
  - Undergraduate degrees or credit certificates
  - Departments of instruction or units or areas affecting instruction

- Undergraduate interdisciplinary instructional programs not confined to one college
- Curriculums or programs of study leading to degrees or credit certificates as well as offering of existing degree programs at the Providence campus
- Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies concentrations
- Options within major fields of study
- Individual courses primarily intended for undergraduates
- Courses intended for General Education

## By-Laws Expectations

It is expected that this committee will meet at least once a month and that it will report to the Faculty Senate in any month this committee has recommendations for changes to the Curriculum.

The Committee shall provide a brief informational report at the October meeting of the Faculty Senate outlining its goal(s) for the coming year.

Due to the nature of the duties of this committee, it is expected that there will be a report to the Faculty Senate at each month’s senate meeting.