

## MGA Statutes Updates

Changed Effective Date to August 1, 2020

Added "August 1, 2020" underneath "Reviewed and Updated July 01, 2016"  
changed to 01 to 1

Added SACCS accreditation paragraph to section 1.01 (verbatim from MGA website,  
under About Us)

Inserted paragraph on master's degrees under Programs of the University

At end of section 1.03 added [The University is seeking permission from SACCSOC  
to offer a Doctor of Science in Information Technology 5/15/2020]

Combined the two paragraphs in Section 1.04

Deleted the sentence "He or she shall be a member of the Academic Assembly."  
from 3.03(a,c,d,e,f,g). The Academic Assembly is no longer extant.

Added section (3.04) describing the President's Cabinet

Combined the two paragraphs in Section 4.01(a)

Replaced College/School with simply School in Article V and throughout the  
document

Changed names of Schools in Section 4.02 and elsewhere throughout the document

Education -> School of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Health Sciences -> School of Health and Natural Sciences

Information Technology -> School of Computing

College of Arts and Sciences —

parallel ideas, so the numbering does not

paragraphs  
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Stated different criteria for promotion to associate professor or professor and senior lecturer

Combined paragraphs under 4.03(f)(i)—both tenure-track and non-tenure-track faculty have to maintain a portfolio

Rearranged statements in Section 5.01 into and regrouped into topically focused paragraphs

Dropped words “Ad Hoc” from Ad Hoc Conflict Resolution Committee. This committee is not, strictly speaking, ad hoc since the committee itself persists from year to year with a fixed membership. The faculty panels created when a dispute requires mediation are, on the other hand, ad hoc bodies.

Expanded single sentence of 5.02 into a paragraph that identifies the members of the Conflict Resolution Committee and briefly explains the process for resolving grievances.

Eliminated section 6.01, on Academic Assembly, and renumbered succeeding sections. Deleted references to Academic Assembly throughout Statutes as a deliberative body. Where it refers to faculty as a group, the term Corps of Instruction has been substituted.

Updated names of schools in Section 6.01 (formerly 6.02) and changed faculty representation scheme and table in 6.01(b). Combined title and caption with main part of table.

Grouped paragraphs on Senate representation and Senate officers under new headings. Rearranged material to fit new headings.

Added separate paragraph on ex officio (non-elected) members

Identified the elected Senate officers and added office of Senate Historian. Explained that Historian is selected by the Executive Committee.

Updated process for election of Senate officers

Updated the names and descriptions of the Senate committees and boards. Added new committees and boards.

Broke long description of Executive Committee function into multiple paragraphs. Added record keeping responsibility, which is performed through the Historian. Dropped reference Subcommittee for Alternate Dispute Resolution, which seems to be neither active nor required. Added chai(x)14 (ec (ded)10 ( c (ons)4 ( ))TJ 12.5 0 Td [(o)d [(o)d i(o

on university councils. GSC really doesn't belong 6.01 since it is not part of the Faculty Senate structure.

Expanded description of GSC functions and areas of responsibility. Adapted general paragraph on council membership to GSC.

Deleted paragraph 6.03(a) since Academic Assembly no longer exists. Moved 6.03(b), on ad hoc committees of the Faculty Senate, under 6.01.

Added one-paragraph section on governance records (essentially the same material mentioned under Executive Committee).

Added Section 6.04 describing the Staff Council, renumbered succeeding sections

Removed references to Academic Assembly and Academic Assembly Bylaws from Section 6.05

Changed Section 7.02 to read "The President, in consultation with the Faculty Senate and chair of the Executive Committee, is charged with the responsibility for interpreting these statutes."

Removed references to Administrative Council from Article VIII (not sure whether I was to just delete or replace it with President's Cabinet)

## **Comments on Style**

Previous version overused capitalization. In my opinion common nouns should not be capitalized (DAV); accordingly, I have rendered not used capital letters for the following: committee, standing committee, senator, chair, chair-elect, dean, associate dean, board, school, etc.

Capitalization is retained for names that are clearly titles such as President, Vice-President, Faculty Senate, Faculty Handbook, academic ranks like Professor or Lecturer (when used as titles), Provost, Board of Regents, Chancellor, etc. It also seems appropriate to retain capitalization for the terms Statutes, University, and Senate.

A number of modifiers and prepositional phrases seemed unnecessary to me (DAV)—I have eliminated them if they did not appear to affect the meaning of the sentence in context. For example, the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate can simply be written the Executive Committee or often just Executive Committee.

## **Formatting**

Changed line spacing and indents for headings and body text, and defined formatting using paragraph styles. Formatting can now be modified across entire document by editing a few styles.

The defined styles enabled a Table of Contents to be generated and updated automatically

Executive Committee Changes 8/21/20 (Lorraine Dubuisson)

Changed references to Governance Historian to align with Bylaws

Added full-time before faculty on page 16 in section about Senate representation

Changed “shall” to “may” on page 16 in section about unit representation on Senate

Made sure titles in document matched titles on website

Removed stray reference to college on page 17