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**Proposal to Amend the Academic Charter and Faculty Senate Rules and Regulations**  
(For explication and rationale, see: [Source version with explication](#) )

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## **Academic Charter**

Section XVI.B of the Academic Charter shall be amended to read:

B. The constitution of Faculty Senate shall be determined as described in the Faculty Senate Rules and Regulations. There may be no more than 30 Senators and each academic unit will be represented by at least one senator. For the purposes of Faculty Senate elections as well as representation on the Senate Executive Committee, the Faculty of Instruction of Cowles Library shall be considered a college.

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## **Faculty Senate Rules and Regulations.**

“Section II: Senators, A & B” shall be amended to read, in full:

**A. Constitution of the Senate.** The voting members of the Faculty Senate will be made up of a number of Unit Senators determined in (II)(B)(3), and four At-Large Senators. No individual may serve as more than one type of Senator at a given time. The President of the University and the Provost will be non-voting ex-officio members of Faculty Senate, and shall report to the Senate at each regularly scheduled meeting.

**B. Unit Senators.**

1. **Units.** For the purpose of the constitution of Faculty Senate, each of the following is considered a Unit:
  - a. Cowles Library;
  - b. the Law School;
  - c. the School of Journalism and Mass Communication;
  - d. the School of Education;
  - e. the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences;
  - f. the College of Business and Public Administration;
  - g. the College of Arts and Sciences, the Division of Humanities;
  - h. the College of Arts and Sciences, the Division of Natural Sciences;
  - i. the College of Arts and Sciences, the Division of Social Sciences;
  - j. the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Fine Arts.
2. **Unit membership.** Unit Senators will be members of and selected by the Faculty of Instruction of each unit. Each Unit will follow its own internal procedures for electing Senate representatives.
3. **Apportionment.** Each unit shall be allotted one Unit Senator for every 15 Faculty of Instruction within that unit, with a minimum representation of 2 Unit Senators.

Faculty of Instruction jointly appointed to two units shall count as half for each unit. Units may set their own policies on how to apportion representation within their unit, and each school shall follow its internal procedures for electing its Unit Senators. Each unit must fill at least one Unit Senator position. If a unit is not able to select additional Unit Senator(s), the unit may choose to leave the seat open. Once left open, the Unit Senate seat may not be filled until the term for that seat expires.

4. **Term and Election.** Unit Senators will be elected to two-year terms, with one half of the Unit Senators being elected as follows:
  - a. Even-numbered years. In even-numbered years, elections will be held for one Unit Senator by each of the units.
  - b. Odd-numbered years. In odd-numbered years, elections will be held for the remaining Unit Senators.
5. **Reapportionment.** Reapportionment shall take place in all years evenly divisible by five.

In addition, “Section II: Senators, C1” shall be amended to read:

**C. At-Large Senators.**

1. **Generally.** Four Senators of the Faculty of Instruction will be elected by a Universitywide At-Large election (At-Large Senators) from the list of eligible candidates prepared under (II)(C)(4).

Transition Period:

The election in Spring of 2019 will proceed as described in II.B.4.a.

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