

Summary of 2018/19 Senate Actions and Resolutions

Fifty-five Senate Actions were considered by the Faculty Senate during the 2018/19 academic year and all received administrative approval. Their dispositions and Senate Resolutions are listed below.

Senate Actions

SA 1-18/19	Approved	New Program: Certificate in Jazz Studies
SA 2-18/19	Approved	New Program: Graduate Certificate in Data Science
SA 3-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Organizational Communication BA Minor
SA 4-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Communication/Health Communication BA Minor
SA 5-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Communication/Health Communication BS
SA 6-18/19	Approved	New Program: IT Infrastructure Minor
SA 7-18/19	Approved	New Program: Globalization and Sustainability Certificate
SA 8-18/19	Approved	New Program: Applied GIS Certificate
SA 9-18/19	Approved	New Program: Engineering Geology Certificate
SA 10-18/19	Approved	New Program: Environmental Geoscience Certificate
SA 11-18/19	Approved	New Program: Petroleum Geology Certificate
SA 12-18/19	Approved	New Program: Geologic Foundations Certificate
SA 13-18/19	Approved	New Program: Music Performance Graduate Certificate
SA 14-18/19	Approved	New Interdisciplinary Program: Foundations of Pharmaceutical Science Certificate
SA 15-18/19	Approved	CGEIP New Course: Math 137
SA 16-18/19	Approved	New Program: Graduate Certificate in Dyslexia
SA 17-18/19	Approved	New Program: Graduate Certificate in Applied Communication

SA 18-18/19	Approved	CGEIP New Course: COM 260 Communicating with Cultural Competence
SA 19-18/19	Approved	New Interdisciplinary Program: Terrorism and National Security – Undergrad Cert
SA 20-18/19	Approved	CGEIP Course Change: IDS101 Interdisciplinary Seminar
SA 21-18/19	Approved	CGEIP Course Change: IDS120 Exploring Majors and Careers
SA 22-18/19	Approved	CGEIP Course Change: IDS310 Peer Leadership
SA 23-18/19	Approved	New Program: Doctor of Defense & Strategic Studies
SA 24-18/19	Approved	New Program: Minor in Ranch Management—Senator Lancaster
SA 25-18/19	Approved	New Program: International Agricultural Leadership Certificate
SA 26-18/19	Approved	New Program: Certificate in Technical and Professional Writing
SA 27-18/19	Approved	New Program: Applied Geophysics
SA 28-18/19	Approved	New Program: Certificate in Companion Animal Management
SA 29-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Chemistry Education-BSED
SA 30-18/19	Approved	CGEIP Course Change: MED120 Mass Media and Society
SA 31-18/19	Approved	CGEIP Program Change: Change: General Education Goals and Learning Outcomes, Section III Knowledge of the Natural World
SA 32-18/19	Approved	New Program: Quantitative Enterprise Risk Management Graduate Certificate
SA 33-18/19	Approved	New Program: Enterprise Risk Management
SA 34-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Community Corrections-Graduate Certificate
SA 35-18/19	Approved	New Interdisciplinary Program: Criminal Investigation
SA 36-18/19	Approved	New Program: Biomolecular Sciences
SA 37-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Physics Education-BSED
SA 38-18/19	Approved	CGEIP Program Change: Museum Studies
SA 39-18/19	Approved	CGEIP Program Change: Disability Studies

SA 40-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Biology Education/Categorical Science-BSED
SA 41-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Earth Science Education/Categorical Science-BSED
SA 42-18/19	Approved	Delete Program: Earth Science Education/Unified Science-BSED
SA 43-18/19	Approved	New Interdisciplinary Program: Undergraduate Certificate in Interfaith Engagement
SA 44-18/19	Approved	New Program: Conflict and Interpersonal Communication
SA 45-18/19	Approved	New Program: Graduate Certificate in Foreign Language Teaching (Non-certifiable)
SA 46-18/19	Approved	New Program: Graduate Certificate in Spanish
SA 47-18/19	Approved	New Program: Graduate Certificate in French
SA 48-18/19	Approved	New Program: Spanish for the Professions
SA 49-18/19	Approved	New Program: Advocacy Writing Certificate
SA 50-18/19	Approved	Change Program: Autism Spectrum Disorders-Graduate Certificate
SA 51-18/19	Approved	New Program: Certificate in Public Policy
SA 52-18/19	Approved	New Program: Certificate in Public Safety
SA 53-18/19	Approved	New Program: Certificate in Rhetoric and Argument Writing
SA 54-18/19	Approved	New Program: Documentary Filmmaking Undergraduate Certificate
SA 55-18/19	Approved	New Program: Video Production Undergraduate Certificate

Senate Resolutions

- SR 1-18/19 **Faculty Senate Resolution with an Internal Senate Action re: Advisory Committee of Senate Chairs**
- SR 2-18/19 **Faculty Senate Resolution with Internal Senate Action Re: Curricular Work Group**
- SR 3-18/19 **Resolution in Honor of Dr. Cindy MacGregor Faculty Senate Chair**
- SR 4-18/19 **Resolution in Honor of Dr. Beth Hurst Secretary of the Faculty, 2017-2018**
- SR 5-18/19 **Resolution in Honor of Dr. Michael Hudson, Parliamentarian, 2017=2018**
- SR 6-18/19 **Health Benefits Resolution #1**
- SR 7-18/19 **Health Benefits Resolution #2**
- SR 8-18/19 **Health Benefits Resolution #3**
- SR 9-18/19 **Health Benefits Resolution #4**
- SR 10-18/19 **Senate Resolution with an Internal Senate Action Regarding Doctor Program Guideline Revisions**
- SR 11-18/19 **Faculty Senate Resolution for Internal Senate Action (regarding CGEIP)**
- SR 12-18/19 **Faculty Senate Resolution on MSU Salaries**
- SR 13-18/19 **Faculty Senate Resolution on Credit Waivers to All Educational Settings**
- SR 14-18/19 **Faculty Senate Resolution for Added Tuition Waiver**
- SR 15-18/19 **Faculty Senate Resolution on Expanded Access to Foster Recreation Center**

Faculty Senate Resolution with Council on General Education and Intercollegiate Programs

Whereas during Spring 2019, the Council on General Education and Intercollegiate Programs (CGEIP) reviewed the current system for evaluating general education courses and discussed possible improvements and

Whereas CGEIP recommends that alternative methods for evaluating general education courses be explored and

Whereas CGEIP members have met with faculty, including general education coordinators, to discuss proposed changes and have received favorable responses to its suggested changes

Be it Resolved that Senate grant CGEIP permission to implement the proposed changes on a trial basis during the 2019 – 2020 academic year, with the expectation that CGEIP will report back to Senate on the results of the modified review process during Spring 2020. Key details of the proposed changes are as follows:

General Goals previously approved by Senate will be maintained. This proposed changes do not fundamentally change the nature of MSU's general education program.

Assessment will focus on General Goals (GGs) rather than on Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs), allowing general education faculty more flexibility in how they evaluate how their courses contribute to General Education.

Review periods are expected to be changed to biennial rather than the current system of annual reviews plus periodic reviews. CGEIP proposes that it review Natural Sciences and Public Affairs courses this year; reports will not be required for courses in other general education areas.

Review of reports should be completed by January, allowing CGEIP to evaluate whether or not the changes were beneficial and, if appropriate, present proposals to Senate to implement the changes on a permanent basis.

Missouri State University Faculty Senate 2019-2020 Parliamentary Procedure Handout

The information below is for general education only. Please refer to the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order* and the *Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty* for the formal rules of the Faculty Senate.

Robert's Rules: Membership Rights

- Membership offers 4 rights
 - Attend meetings, debate/discuss during meetings, make motions, vote
- Bylaws may grant specific rights to different types of “members”

Faculty Senate: Membership

- Voting members (i.e., Senators)
 - All 4 rights
 - Chair of the Senate, Chair-Elect of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, academic department reps, ranked faculty senators, instructor senator, and clinical faculty senator
- Non-voting members (i.e., Delegates)
 - Only 3 rights- attend meetings; debate/discuss; make motions
 - Student Government Association rep, Graduate Student Council rep, classified staff rep, and professional staff rep

Robert's Rules: Main Motion and Resolution

- They are the same in function
 - A statement to do some type of business within the authority of the group/association
 - Examples- (a) express a certain view, (b) write a policy, (c) investigate an issue
- Key difference is a main motion is direct and simple; a resolution is more complex so it requires more content (e.g., “Whereas...” and “Therefore, be it resolved...”)
- Note: When a motion/resolution is seconded, it now belongs to the Senate and not the person who made the motion

Faculty Senate: Resolution, Internal Action, and Senate Action

- Resolution
 - The Faculty Senate's shared view on a specific issue that it wants to share with the university administration but for information purposes only
 - Example- [May 2017 Faculty Senate Resolution on MOSER retirement plan \(p. 8\)](#)
- Internal Action
 - A decision of the Faculty Senate to pursue business that does not extend beyond the boundaries of the Senate
 - Sharing this business with the university administration is optional
 - Example- [May 2017 Faculty Senate Internal Action on Merit Pay system \(p. 9\)](#)

- Senate Action
 - A decision of the Faculty Senate to pursue business within its governing authority as granted to it by the University President or the Board of Governors
 - This decision is shared with and approved/disapproved by university administration
 - Example- [October 2015 Senate Action on Reciprocity of Old General Education \(p. 1\)](#)

Rules of Decorum

- Confine remarks to the merits of the pending question
- Refrain from **attacking** a member's motives
- Address all remarks through the chair
- Avoid the use of members' names
- Refrain from speaking adversely on a prior action not pending
- Refrain from speaking against one's motion
- Read from reports, quotations, etc. only without objection or with permission
- Be seated during an interruption by the chair
- Refrain from disturbing the assembly