

3359-24-01 Bylaws of the graduate faculty.

(A) Name. This organization shall be known as the graduate faculty of the university of Akron.

"Category I."

- (i) Candidates must possess a terminal degree appropriate to their fields.
- (ii) Candidates may present other evidence of scholarly or creative activity such

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shall be given for the performance of specified graduate faculty functions (e.g., for teaching specific master's or doctoral level courses and serving on specific master's or doctoral committees).

- (a) Ad hoc temporary functions shall exclude serving as primary advisor overseeing doctoral dissertations or master's theses.

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- (1) The president, as executive head of the university in all its departments/schools, shall receive the reports of subordinate officers, shall advise and counsel them, and shall have the powers and responsibilities stated in the bylaws of the board of trustees of the university.
 - (2) The senior vice president and provost shall advise and counsel the dean of the graduate school and the graduate faculty as the chief academic officer of the university responsible to the president for the supervision of the academic functions of the university.
 - (3) The academic deans of those colleges offering graduate programs shall be responsible for direct supervision of graduate faculty and programs within their respective colleges.
 - (4) The dean of the graduate school shall be responsible for the administration of the graduate school, and shall supervise its programs and its student body. The dean (or delegate) shall serve as chair and preside at graduate school sponsored meetings of the graduate faculty. The graduate school shall be responsible for recording and maintaining of minutes of all graduate school sponsored meetings of the graduate faculty.
 - (5) The vice chair shall be elected by the graduate council and shall preside over graduate faculty and graduate council meetings in the absence of the chair or the chair's designee.
- (F) Committees. The graduate council shall be the executive committee of the graduate faculty and shall represent the graduate faculty in proposing matters of academic policy and procedure of the graduate school, and in counseling and advising with the dean of the graduate school in matters of administering the graduate school.
- (1) The graduate council shall consist of full-time graduate faculty appointed by each of the graduate degree-granting colleges and two elected faculty senate representatives. Degree-granting colleges will appoint representatives apportioned on the basis of graduate program demographics. College representatives and senate representatives shall be voting members . In addition membership shall include the following non-voting members: one elected graduate student; the dean of the graduate school; and the (senior) associate dean of the graduate school.
 - (a) The student member shall be elected yearly by the graduate student government.
 - (b) The dean shall not have voting rights, except in the case of tie votes.
 - (c) The number and apportionment of graduate council members shall be determined and reviewed every three years . A similar review shall be conducted whenever a college not now offering a graduate degree shall institute one or a college sunsets all of its graduate programs.

(2) The term of office of a faculty member on the graduate council shall be three years

recommendations to the graduate council. Those persons approved by the graduate council shall be recommended to the dean of the graduate school for appointment to the graduate faculty. Any nominated person who is rejected by the council or the dean may seek further consideration through the procedure

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