

Article II

THE UNIT WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY

Section 1. Faculty Senate Representation. The Faculty Senate shall include at least 40 regular full-time members of the faculty of Georgia Southern University holding the rank of instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, or professor who have been members of the faculty of the University for at least one year at the beginning of their terms (Statutes, Article V, Section 8(A)). The dean shall annually announce the number of senators that has been apportioned to the College of Education (including alternates) and shall call for an election pursuant to University Statutes, Article V, Section 10. (Senators will be elected at large such that each department is represented.) [Note: This last statement is being reviewed by the Senate Executive Committee.]

Section 2. Graduate Faculty. Members of the graduate faculty shall be appointed by the president on the recommendation of the provost and dean of graduate studies. Recommendations for graduate faculty membership will be sent from the department chairs through the academic college deans, to the Provost and vice president for academic affairs, to the dean of graduate studies who will consult with the members of the University Graduate Committee and transmit the recommendations to the president. (Statutes, Article III, Section 2(F))

Section 3. Appointment of Faculty Members. Members of the college faculty are appointed by the president, with the approval of the Board of Regents, upon the recommendation of the chair of department and his/her administrative superiors (Statutes, Article VI, Section 1(B)(1)).

Section 4. Promotion of Faculty Members. Recommendations for promotion are made through the following committees and administrators: departmental promotion and tenure committees, chairs of departments, college promotion and tenure committee, the dean, and the provost. The provost and vice president for academic affairs will forward his/her recommendation to the president (Statutes, Article VI, Section 1(B)(3); Article III, Section 2(G) and Section 3(C)).

Section 5. Tenure. Recommendations for tenure are made through the following committees and administrators: departmental promotion and tenure committees, chairs of departments, college promotion and tenure committee, the dean, and the provost. The provost and vice president for academic affairs will forward his/her recommendation to the president (Statutes, Article VI, Section 1(B)(3); Article III, Section 2(G) and Section 3(C)). Tenure is awarded by the Board of Regents on recommendation of the president only to assistant professors, associate professors and professors who are employed full-time in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the Statutes. The meaning and effect of tenure are set forth in Policies of the Board of Regents.

Since tenure resides at the university level, it is intended by the Board that its policies should be the minimum standard for award of tenure and are not a limitation upon the adoption of such additional standards and requirements as the College may wish to adopt for its own improvements.

Section 6. Membership on University Committees. Elected College of Education representatives serving on university-level committees (including senate) are responsible for reporting pertinent information from meetings of these committees to the faculty, administration, and staff of the college.