

**Faculty Line #255**  
**March 31, 2023**

**AY2023-24 Faculty Senate Committee Volunteer Form**

All faculty members are encouraged to volunteer to serve on a committee of the Faculty Senate. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee (EC) will begin the process of identifying chairs and members of the committee when they meet on April 17. Please take time to fill out [this survey](#), so that the EC members can fill committee appointments based on your interests.

**Faculty Senate Election Results**

Congratulations to Faculty President-elect Subhashini Ganapathy and Vice President-elect Dawn Wooley and the [recently elected Faculty Senators](#). You can also find the full senate roster for 2023-24 at the [Faculty Roster webpage](#)

**Faculty Constitution Meeting**

On Monday, March 27, the Faculty Senate approved a small update to the [Faculty Constitution](#) to reflect the current [University Mission Statement](#). A meeting will be held at [2:30pm, Monday, April 3](#) in 160 Rike for University Faculty members to discuss the proposed changes. All faculty members will then have the opportunity to vote to approve the changes from May 1-3; at least 100 faculty members must vote to reach a quorum.

Current Faculty Constitution	Proposed Update
<p>2010.1 Preamble</p> <p>The University Faculty support the Wright State University mission to transform the lives of our students and the communities we serve by providing innovative, high quality programs, by conducting scholarly research, and by engaging in significant community service.</p>	<p>2010.1 Preamble</p> <p>The University Faculty support the Wright State University mission to <b>empower all students to excel in their lives and chosen careers through integrated learning, research, innovation, and experience.</b></p> <p><i>(no other updates)</i></p>

**HLC Visit**

Our focused HLC visit will be April 24 and 25. As the schedule for the visiting team becomes finalized, you can expect communication from Provost Thompson and/or Dr. Mackh. All faculty are encouraged to learn more about the visit and to participate in sessions that apply to any of

your roles on campus. You can find out more about the visit on the [Assessment and Accreditation website](#).

### **Culture and Identity Centers Newsletters**

The Culture and Identity Centers send out weekly newsletters that have important and also highlight upcoming events on campus. If you would like to be on the distribution list for these newsletters, please email Isabel Harney-Davila at [harney-davila.3@wright.edu](mailto:harney-davila.3@wright.edu) to be added to be included.

### **Commencement**

Commencement is an opportunity to celebrate with our students, and their families and loved ones, as they complete their degrees at WSU. Faculty are encouraged to participate in at least one of the spring commencement ceremonies:

- Lake Campus, April 28 at 5:30 p.m.
- Dayton Campus Graduate School, Friday, April 29 at 7:00 p.m.
- Dayton Campus Undergraduate Degrees, Saturday, April 30 at 10:00 a.m.

More information about the commencement ceremonies can be found on the [commencement website](#). And the registration for the Dayton Campus ceremonies can be found [here](#)

### **Postcards for Admitted Students**

Undergraduate Admissions is excited to once again launch their *Admitted Student Postcard Writing Campaign*. This involves handwriting welcome messages on postcards that are then sent to our admitted students for the Fall 2023 Semester. The campaign will include high school seniors, adult students, and transfer students.

All members of the Wright State community – faculty, staff, and current students – are invited to participate on this campaign with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. We appreciate any time you can offer to show our future Raiders how welcoming Wright State is!

Volunteers are asked to complete a minimum of 20 postcards but are welcome to complete multiple packets. Packets can be completed in the admissions office or picked up and returned to Admissions. Volunteers will receive full instructions and sample messages with the packets.

Should you have any questions, please reach out to Michelle Crawford ([michelle.crawford@wright.edu](mailto:michelle.crawford@wright.edu)) or Jen McCamis ([jennifer.mccamis@wright.edu](mailto:jennifer.mccamis@wright.edu)). To volunteer, please complete the form at <https://forms.office.com/r/njxkd7Tp8i>.

### **CSIC**

Faculty are encouraged to contribute to the annual [Campus Scholarship and Innovation Campaign \(CSIC\)](#). This is another opportunity to make an even greater impact on the lives of Wright State University students by contributing to one of more than 2,000 scholarship and program funds.

One fund you might consider directing your donation to is the [Employee Hardship Fund](#). This fund was started two years ago as a collaborative effort between the Staff Senate, Faculty Senate and Human Resources, and it provides Wright State faculty and staff members with emergency grants to help with unplanned expenses or income disruptions. These unexpected expenses or income disruptions can lead to a financial crisis for many individuals and families. This fund relies on denotations from employees and community members as a way for employees to help each other in time of need. You can use the link above to find out more information, but you can also find the fund by searching “Hardship” under the General Designations when making your contribution to CSIC.

### **ChatGPT**

At our March Faculty Senate meeting, Provost Thompson mentioned developing a committee or working group regarding ChatGPT. This group would partner with the Office of the Provost and the Center for Teaching Excellence to develop guidelines and education around use of Chat GPT and other forms of Artificial intelligence both for faculty and students. Anyone interested in serving on this committee can contact Vice Provost Carol Loranger ([carol.loranger@wright.edu](mailto:carol.loranger@wright.edu))

### **April Senate Meeting**

Our final Faculty Senate meeting for the 2022-23 academic year will be on April 24 at 2:30 in the Endeavor Room.

### **Concluding Thoughts**

As the end of the semester quickly approaches. This can be a stressful time with grading, meeting with students, and wrapping up the work of the academic year. Over the next few weeks, please be sure to take care of yourselves, and try to be patient with one another and with our students as the semester winds down.

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