



**FACULTY SENATE AMENDMENT  
FSA-2023/2024-001**

**I. Title: AMENDMENT TO THE FACULTY SENATE CONSTITUTION ARTICLE IV**

**II. Stated Resolution:**

**Be it resolved** that Article IV of the Faculty Senate Constitution be revised as follows:

Article IV. Representation

A. **Aside from the Graduate College**, each college **and the Forensic Science Institute (FSI)** shall be represented in the Faculty Senate according to the formula  $N/B$ , in which  $N$  is the number of Faculty Association members in the college and  $B$  is the total number of the Faculty Association members in all the colleges divided by thirty. However, no college shall have fewer than four Senators; **FSI shall have no fewer than one Senator. No member shall hold more than one seat in the Faculty Senate at any given time.** The quotient  $N/B$  shall be rounded to the next larger whole number if the remainder is one half ( $1/2$ ) or more; **each member shall count toward  $N$  of only one College or Institute.** A committee of the Faculty Senate, with the approval of the Senate, shall be responsible for applying the formula and informing each unit of the number of Senators allotted to it.

B. The professional library staff shall be represented by one member.

C. The UCO Student Association shall be invited to send one of its members to the Faculty Senate as a non-voting representative of the student body.

D. The UCO Staff Senate shall be invited to send one of its members to the Faculty Senate as a non-voting representative of the staff body.

E. The UCO Faculty Senate welcomes one non-voting member from adjunct faculty currently serving on Faculty Senate Committees to attend all meetings.

F. The UCO Faculty Senate welcomes one non-voting member from temporary faculty currently serving on Faculty Senate Committees to attend all meetings.

**G. The UCO Faculty Senate welcomes one non-voting member from the Emeritus Faculty Association to attend all meetings.**

*Amended XXX\* 2024*

\*Will be updated to include date of passage by the Faculty Association, if passed.

**III. Justification:**

The Forensic Science Institute (FSI) currently lacks direct representation in Faculty Senate. Subsequent to the ratification of the Faculty Senate Constitution in 2020, FSI has significantly increased the number of faculty, the majority of whom do not have a dual appointment in another College. The proposed Constitutional Amendment ensures that FSI will maintain Senate representation proportionate to its size within the University.

This proposed Amendment also codifies the long-standing practice of inviting a member of the Emeritus Faculty Association to Senate meetings.

**IV. Divisions/Colleges/Office(s) that may be affected:**

Faculty Senate; Faculty Association; Forensic Science Institute; Emeritus Faculty Association

**V. Directed to:**

Faculty Senate; Faculty Handbook Editorial Board; Faculty Association

*This resolution was submitted for consideration to the UCO Faculty Senate on 8 February 2024 by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee.*

*Recommended for approval by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee.*

**SO APPROVED BY THE UCO FACULTY SENATE ON 14 MARCH 2024.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alyssa L. Provencio', is written over a horizontal line.

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