

UNM FACULTY GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE



VOTING FACULTY

Voting faculty are responsible for the general stewardship of the University through participation in shared governance. Voting faculty serve can serve on committees, represent their unit as a senator, or vote to recommend action.

Eligible faculty: Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, Clinician Educators, Lecturers, Practitioner Educators and Instructors.



ACADEMIC FREEDOM & TENTURE COMMITTEE

The principal function of AF&T is to review significant decisions affecting faculty tenure, promotion, sabbatical leave and employment.

- 13 members elected by voting faculty.
- Chair elected by AF&T members.



COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE

The principal duties of CoG are to call general faculty meetings, oversee elections, including referenda, and to recommend adjustments, improvements, and refinements in the faculty organizational structure.

- Five members elected by voting faculty.
- Chair elected by CoG members.



FACULTY SENATE

- Consists of 72 members representing each academic unit.
- Senators elected by faculty in academic units or at-large by all voting faculty.
- President elected by senators.

Operations Committee:

- Seven members including President, Past President, President-Elect, plus four members elected by Senate.

Faculty Senate Councils & Committees:

- Recommended by Operations Committee and approved by the Senate.

Approved by the Committee on Governance and endorsed by Faculty Senate and Academic Freedom & Tenure Committee leaders, September 2016

Source: The Faculty Handbook. A51: The Faculty Constitution. A52.1: The Academic Freedom & Tenure Committee. A52.2: The Committee on Governance. A60: Faculty Senate Bylaws.



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