

Pacific Lutheran University
Office of the Provost
Faculty Senate and Committee Membership 2026-27

Following is an updated list of elected faculty senate and committee members for 2026-27.

FACULTY SENATE

Chair of Faculty

28 Oksana Ejokina (Music)

Vice-Chair of Faculty

28 Jacob Egge (Biology)

Secretary

Faculty Rep. to the Board of Regents

College of Health Professions Representatives

27 Riley Stumpf, Nursing (A: 1-year term)
29 Terri Farrar, Kinesiology (B: 3-year term)

College of Liberal Studies Representatives

27 Michael Artime (A: 1-year term)
28 Jim Albrecht, English (B: 2-year term)

College of Natural Sciences Representatives

27 Corey Cook, Psychology (A: 1-year term)
29 Andrea Munro, Chemistry (B: 3-year term)

College of Professional Studies Representatives

28 James Brown, Music, Theatre & Dance (A: 2-year term)
29 John Wright, Education (B: 3-year term)

Contingent Faculty Representatives

28 Kristina Kenning, Nursing (2-year term)

ADVISORY:

President
Provost
CCC
EPC
Governance
Rank and Tenure

FACULTY COMMITTEES

Where applicable, the chair of each committee is indicated by ☞; the secretary by ☜

Core Curriculum Committee

27 ☞ Neva Laurie-Berry, Biology
28 ☜ Laura Fitzwater-Gonzales, Sociology
29 Mary Ellen Biggerstaff, Nursing

Educational Policies Committee

27 ☞ Erik Hammerstrom, Global and Cultural Studies
27 Anissa Rogers, Social Work
28 Lark Powers, Music
29 ☜ Rich Louie, Physics

Governance Committee

- 27 ☞ Nicole Martin Kinesiology
- 28 Marnie Ritchie, Comm. Media & Design Arts
- 29 ✍ Ron Gerhardstein, Music, Theatre & Dance

Rank and Tenure Committee

- 27 ✍ Charlie Katica, Kinesiology
- 27 ☞ Peter Davis, Earth Sciences
- 28 Cathleen Kim, Education
- 28 Gina Hames, History
- 29 Shannon Seidel, Biology

Senate serving in the following roles:

Faculty Secretary

Faculty Representative to the Board of Regents

University Budget Advisory Committee (2)

University Benefits Committee (1)

Coordinator for Academic Performance and Integrity Policies (1)

Global Education policies (1)

Conciliation Committee (1)

FJC (4: 1 from each College)

Appoint to serve in the following roles:

Retirement Fund Advisory Committee (Advisory member)

Member of Title IX

Member of University Diversity Committee

Member of the University Safety Committee

Four (4) members work with Dean of Students Office (Academic Dishonesty Hearing Panels)

Five members and five alternates for the Formal Dismissal Committee

Faculty Senate Appointments:

UNIVERSITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

- 27 Gerardo Cuevas-Buendia – Sociology, Criminal Justice and Anthropology

Please visit the Faculty Governance website at <https://www.plu.edu/faculty-governance/> for updates.