

THE ACADEMIC SENATE

CANDIDATE INFORMATION FORM

Name:

Lorraine Kelley-Quon, MD, MSHS, FACS, FAAP

Academic Track and Rank:

Associate Professor of Surgery (Clinical Scholar)

Department/School:

Division of Pediatric Surgery, Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA);
Department of Surgery and the Department of Population and Public Health Sciences, Keck
School of Medicine of USC

Graduate degrees (with year, university, and discipline):

2008 – MD – University of California, Los Angeles – Medicine

2012 – MSHS – University of California, Los Angeles – Health Services Research

Major academic responsibilities:

Attending Surgeon, CHLA

Founder and Principal Investigator, Health Outcomes and Policy Effects (HOPE) Lab at CHLA

Senior Faculty Mentor – CHLA/Southern California Clinical and Translational Science Institute
(SC CTSI) Research Success Teams

Previous service on USC, Senate, or school committees:

Keck Faculty Council, 2025-2028

USC Academic Senate, 2025-2028

Previous administrative responsibilities at USC:

1. Surgeon Champion, National Surgery Quality Improvement Program (NSQIP), 2017-2025.
2. Member, Advisory Council Member/CHLA Youth Opioid Response Grant, California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions, 2019-2020.
3. Director, Pediatric Surgery Resident Program, 2019-2023
4. Steering Committee Member, George Donnell Society for Pediatric Scientists, 2021-present.
5. Lecturer, USC Med-CORP Program, 2022
6. Founder and Faculty Co-Lead, USC Women Surgeon Mentorship Group, 2022-2025
7. Surgeon Lead, CHLA Department of Surgery Workforce Pregnancy Policy, 2022-2023
8. Member, CHLA Pain and Palliative Care Committee, 2022-present
9. Member, CHLA Conflict of Interest in Research Committee, 2023-2025
10. Member, CHLA Surgery Performance Improvement Committee, 2023-present.
11. Member, CHLA Medical Group Advocacy Committee, 2025-present
12. K12 SC CTSI Program External Advisory Committee, 2025-present

Previous service to scholarly or professional associations:

1. Member (2017-present), Sub-Committee Chair (2018-2021), Vice Chair (2021-2023), Chair (2023-2025), Outcomes and Evidence-Based Practice Committee - American Pediatric Surgical Association (APSA)
2. Member, Western Pediatric Surgery Research Consortium, 2017-Present
3. Member, Program & Leadership Committees, Association of Academic Surgeons, 2019-present
4. Chair, APSA Opioid Guidelines Development Project, 2018 - 2020
5. Member, NSQIP Pediatric Quality Consortium; NSQIP Pediatric Surgery Advisory Committee, 2020.
6. Member, Clinical Practice Guidelines for Opioid Prescribing Committee, American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), 2021-2025.
7. Member, Research Committee - Society of University Surgeons, 2024-2026
8. Member, Multi-Institutional Trial Committee - Pacific Coast Surgical Association, 2026
9. Member, Surgical Care Delivery Workgroup, American College of Surgeons, 2025-2028
10. Member, Advisory Council for Pediatric Surgery, American College of Surgeons, 2025-2028
11. Governor, American College of Surgeons, 2025-2028

Personal statement: why do you want to serve in this role for the Senate? What are your goals for the Senate?

Since joining the faculty in 2017, USC has given me the space, resources, and mentorship to grow as both a surgeon and a scientist. I feel a deep sense of responsibility to give back to this community that has so meaningfully shaped my career. My current service on the USC Academic Senate has given me a platform to engage with institutional decisions and to advocate for issues that affect faculty in tangible ways. Through this experience, I have developed a strong appreciation for the value of shared governance and its potential to foster meaningful dialogue and collective progress. I am excited to expand my role by serving on the Executive Board. An academic career can sometimes feel isolating, particularly in this modern era marked by increasing complexity and uncertainty. My involvement in the Senate has reinforced that we are all part of a vibrant intellectual community composed of colleagues who are deeply committed to advancing their fields and supporting one another. I am especially interested in exploring new ways to strengthen this sense of community, including fostering cross-disciplinary and cross-school collaboration. Much of my own success has been driven by partnerships with colleagues outside my primary area of expertise, and I am eager to create more opportunities for faculty and trainees across USC to benefit from similar collaborations. Finally, as a pediatric surgeon, I have the privilege of caring for the children and families of our great city. This perspective grounds my commitment to ensuring that the work of the Senate remains aligned not only with the needs of our faculty, but also with USC's broader mission to serve our community.