

Draft Governance Group Membership Categories

Chairs: Permanent lead of the group who proactively defines the annual scope of work; develops or co-develops meeting agendas and content; and typically facilitates meetings, ensuring productive dialogue between group members; also serves as lead representative to college leadership with regards to reporting, and lead coordinator with other governance groups in relation to overlap in annual scope deliverables.

Co-Chairs: Permanent co-lead of the group who shares the above responsibilities; co-chairs might alternate leading meetings, divide responsibilities by topic area, and generally distribute the workload of managing the logistics, content creation, and in-meeting facilitation for meetings.

Standing Members: Official members with authority and responsibilities directly related to the core purpose of the group and scope of the work.

Resident Experts: Subject matter experts appointed based on the group's annual scope of work, with all the rights and privileges of a standing member.

- Updated annually based on changes to the scope of work;
- Resident Experts can be added at any point throughout the year.

Liaison Representative: Members from connected shared governance bodies that are tasked with making explicit the complementary conversations and work happening in other groups.

Learning Member: Visiting staff or faculty from different departments whose aim is to learn alongside the group; no voting rights.

*** Note on participating students:** Students can represent any of the above membership categories, serving groups in any of the previously listed capacities and roles, with the same responsibilities and expectations as non-student members. Beyond their regular membership duties, students contribute immense value to any group through...

- **Voice and advocacy**, representing the student perspective on institutional decisions;
- **First-hand perspective**, to imbue recommendations and decisions with lived experience;
- **Bridge building**, serving as a communication link between the governance body and the broader student population.