

CHAPTER VI

ASUCR Senators

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Section 1. Purpose

This Chapter shall govern the elected Senator position. There shall be 19 total senators, with nine (9) representing the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences (CHASS), five (5) representing the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences (CNAS), two (2) representing the Marlan and Rosemary Bourns College of Engineering (BCOE), one (1) representing the School of Education (SOE), one (1) representing the School of Public Policy (SPP), and one (1) representing the School of Business (SOB).

Section 2. Term

Senators shall serve a nine (9) month term starting at the beginning of Fall Quarter until the day after commencement.

Section 3. Qualifications

1. The Senator must be an undergraduate in good academic standing, and must be an enrolled full time student, with the exception of Summer Quarter, during their term in office;
2. The Senator must have been in attendance at UCR for a cumulative total of at least one academic year prior to serving in office;
3. The Senator shall maintain an overall GPA of at least a 2.50.
4. If, at any time, the senator should violate these qualifications, the senator shall step down and an alternate senator, the runner-up from the Spring Quarter elections of the preceding year, shall be appointed to the position as a replacement.

Section 4. Duties

1. To participate in an informative senatorial training with ASUCR professional staff prior to the start of term.
2. To attend all Senate meetings
3. To serve on at least two (2) standing committees, at least one of which must be a subordinate committee of ASUCR.
4. To review and vote on all pieces of legislation during the Senate meeting.
5. To hold and attend a suggested minimum of two (2) weekly office hours in the ASUCR office and a suggested minimum of two (2) hours at external events as prescribed by the Executive Vice President
6. To reach out to college constituents when working on events and engaging in meetings with college deans, campus ambassadors, and student organizations.
7. To advocate for respective college specific issues and undergraduate issues at large
8. To meet with the Dean of their respective college at least once a quarter
9. To compile meeting minutes following each meeting with the Deans of colleges and submit them to the Executive Vice President to be posted on the ASUCR website
10. To engage in a minimum of 2 events consisting of community service of their choosing per quarter throughout their senatorial term (e.g. volunteering, community gardening, community organizing, philanthropy) on or off-campus

- a. Senators have the option to distribute their 6 total events for the year in any way of their choosing (e.g. 2 events in each quarter or 3 events for 2 quarters)
 - b. Senators must represent ASUCR at the event of their choosing
 - c. Volunteer events must be reported officially through a picture from the event for proof of attendance accompanied by a written description of the event to the Executive Vice President
11. To submit bi-weekly senatorial reports at the request of the Executive Vice President
 - a. Senatorial reports are to be made available to the public to the UCR undergraduate student body
 - b. Senators will be allowed to make minor edits to their reports from up to a week after the submission deadline as determined by the Executive Vice President.
12. To meet and check in with the Executive Vice President every quarter to discuss goals and progress.
13. Senators will hold at a minimum of one Town Hall per quarter. Senators shall convene by college before the end of Week 3, for the purpose of the planning a constituent town hall. All town halls must conclude before the end of Week 9. Senators are allowed to invite Guest Speakers (ex: College Deans, Professors, etc) to speak during town halls.
 - a. Senators from the School of Education (SOE) and School of Public Policy (SPP) are given the option to collaborate on a singular constituent town hall.
 - b.
 - c. The Executive Vice President shall ensure that all Senators are meeting the deadlines as stated above in Section I. Enforcement of all deadlines shall be at the discretion of the Executive Vice President.
 - d. CNAS and/or BCOE Senators have the option to replace their Winter Quarter Town Hall with a Research Exposition in which students can interact with CNAS and/or BCOE Senators, administration, and research opportunities available on campus. It is suggested for Senators to start planning for this event a quarter early.
 - i. In the event that CNAS and/or BCOE Senators choose to replace the Winter quarter Town Hall with a Research Exposition, CNAS and/or BCOE Senators will still be obligated to hold an additional event in accordance with the mandatory special events requirement. If CNAS and/or BCOE Senators choose to hold both the Town Hall and the Research Exposition during the Winter Quarter, then the Research Exposition will fulfill the special events requirement. If the Senators do not replace the Town Hall with the Research Exposition, then they must continue to host a Town Hall.
14. Attend all mandatory events as per Chapter IV (Senate Apathy Prevention Act) of these bylaws.
15. Complete all required reading prior to voting on legislation
16. Submit a minimum of three (3) pieces of legislation to the Legislative Review Committee, with at least one (1) being submitted by the end of each academic Quarter.
 - a. There shall be no more than four (4) ASUCR elected officials who are primary authors per Senate Bill, and no more than four (4) ASUCR elected officials who are primary authors per Senate Resolution. There shall be no limit on the number of primary authors who are not ASUCR elected officials.
 - b. Only Senators who are primary authors on legislation shall satisfy their legislative requirement.
17. Submit an official R'Web registered courses schedule to the Executive Vice President before Friday of Week 2 of the respective quarter.
18. Attend a minimum of two (2) tabling events per month within each academic quarter (Fall, Winter and Spring) hosted by the Marketing Committee within the nine (9) month term.
 - a. There must be at least a minimum of one (1) senator with no more than two (2) senators at the same time, along with the selected number of people by the Vice President of Marketing and Promotions from the Marketing Committee, Senate Interns, and First Year Fellows to table.

- i. Tabling dates shall be provided by the Vice President of Marketing and Promotions
- b. To host a minimum of one event within the nine (9) month term
 - i. Collaboration is permitted but there must be no more than three (3) senators involved in hosting one event to fulfill their requirement.
 - ii. The Senator must inform the Executive Vice President and the designated Executive Vice President staff member of the event within one (1) week of its completion.
- 19. Mandated to attend the Quarterly Reflection meeting as designated by the Executive Vice President;
- 20. Senators shall be encouraged to attend any bonding or social events planned by the Executive Vice President;
- 21. Shall be encouraged to participate in ASUCR press releases.
- 22. Shall be encouraged to create a college Instagram account that will be shared among their college Senators
 - a. The Executive Vice President and designated staff members shall oversee the Instagram account.

Section 5. Stipends

- 1. Senators shall receive no stipend while on censure or while circumstances cause absence from senate duties for more than one month.
- 2. It shall be the job of the Executive Vice President and President to report any negative standing causing the withholding of a senator stipend to both the ASUCR Accountant and the Senate.
- 3. Senators may never receive more than one (1) stipend at a time.
- 4. Senator stipend amounts will be dictated as outlined in Chapter VIII, (Stipends and Regulations) of these bylaws.

Section 6. Removal and Vacancy

- 1. Removal of a senator position can be achieved only by satisfying the provisions set forth by the ASUCR Constitution and the ASUCR Judicial Council Rules of Procedures.
- 2. Vacancies in the senate shall be filled by the next runner up from the college of the vacancy as stipulated in the ASUCR Constitution.

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