



- (3) Dates of nomination process and elections. Elections shall be held during the spring term of each academic year, following the nomination process. The graduate council shall set the date for the nomination process and election early during the spring term of each academic year.
- (4) Paper or electronic ballots. All nominations and elections shall be by paper or electronic ballot.
- (5) Tie votes. All tie votes shall be resolved by drawing lots. The graduate dean shall do so in the presence of the graduate council.
- (6) Nomination process. Nominations for the graduate council shall be by paper or electronic ballot as follows. The graduate dean shall determine which eligible members of the graduate faculty are willing to serve. This process shall take place at least two weeks prior to the nomination ballot. All eligible members of the graduate faculty who have indicated in writing a willingness to serve shall be listed on a nomination ballot appropriate to their academic areas as defined in paragraph (A)(2) of this rule. Each voting graduate faculty member from the academic area concerned shall have one vote. The two members receiving the highest number of votes shall be the candidates in the ensuing election.
- (7) Election. Each voting graduate faculty member shall have one vote for each representative from their college or stand-alone school.
- (8) Vacancies. In the event that a vacancy occurs in the graduate council, the collegial dean in the academic area in which the vacancy occurs shall submit to the council the names of no more than three voting members of the graduate faculty who have indicated their willingness to serve on the council. From these nominations, the council will select the person to fill the unexpired term. Any person filling an unexpired term remains fully eligible for election to graduate council, and the unexpired term is not



new programs of graduate study, and all proposals for altering or abolishing existing programs; program review and evaluation of existing programs.

- (2) Student affairs. Regulation of student admission, standards of achievement and requirements for students enrolled in graduate programs, other specific procedures regarding graduate work, and completion of graduate degree programs.
  - (3) Faculty membership. Establishing procedures for admission, continuance, resignation and/or removal of members of the faculty of the college of graduate studies and approval of faculty membership.
  - (4) Standing committees. Appointment and discharge of such committees as deemed appropriate. These committees may include student members as appropriate. Standing committees of the college include: petitions, graduate faculty review, and grade dispute.
- (E) The dean of the college of graduate studies and the graduate council shall have the power to appoint and to discharge committees as they and/or the graduate faculty deem appropriate.

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