



Faculty Senate

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HOW TO PREPARE A PROPOSITION

Proposition Number: Contact the Faculty Senate (FS) Vice Chair or Recording Secretary for this bill number.

Title: Give a descriptive title. For example, if the bill is a MEMORIAL, include that in the title.

Date/Time Submitted: please submit new proposals by 12PM on Tuesday before the Senate Leadership Committee to be considered in the next month.

Sponsors: At least one Faculty Senator must be lead sponsor, more may be added, and faculty members that are not Senators may also join as co-sponsors.

Proposed Committee: The bill's sponsors can suggest a standing committee to hear the bill. The standing committees are Budget and Resources Committee, University Planning Committee, Curriculum and Programming Committee, Research and Creative Activity Committee, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee, and Student Success Committee.

Assigned Committee: The final authorities for committee assignment are the FS Vice Chair, the Senate Leadership Committee (SLC), and the Senate itself. Generally, the FS Vice Chair will try to a) equalize the workload across the standing committees and b) assign to the relevant topic of committee.

Prior Approvals: Depending on the type of proposal, the proposition may have been heard by other University committees, i.e. ADAC, College Curriculum Committees or Graduate Council, please highlight these prior approvals and dates here.

Proposal Type: Select a proposal type to help ensure all documents are included and can be uploaded on the Faculty Senate website. Propositions are titled per Proposition 20-20/21
<https://facultysenate.nmsu.edu/propositions/2020-2021/20-20-21/>

- Bills – Formal policy that introduce or revise NMSU policy, procedures, or processes.
 - Example: Proposition 03-20/21 Senate Bill Proposing Improvements to NMSU's Curriculum Approval Process
- Resolutions – A formal expression from the Faculty Senate requiring recognition by and response from University Administration.
 - Example: Proposition 01-20/21 Memorial Requesting Increased Faculty Participation in Budget Reduction Discussions
- Memorials – Commemorative documents recognizing the contributions of people and actions important to NMSU.
 - Example: Proposition 18-20/21 A Memorial in Honor of Karen Trujillo
- Joint Propositions – Collaborative works that can include Joint Bills, Joint Resolutions, and Joint Memorials.
 - Example: Proposition 06-20/21 A Memorial requesting New Mexico State University self-declare as a Sanctuary Campus

Proposal: If the bill is a Proposition (an effort to modify University policy or Administrative Rules and Procedures (ARP)) in an area where the Senate has authority and experience to inform the change, please provide the complete edited language. Show language to be deleted and new language in a way that allow them to be distinguished. A conventional method is to ~~strike through~~ language to be dropped and to italicize new language. Be careful about using color to make the distinction – some people are color-blind, and others don't have color printers handy.

If the bill is a Memorial (a method to put the Senate's voice on the record on issues of relevance to faculty), please provide the proposed language.

Rationale: As briefly as possible, explain the pertinent history of the bill, why it is being put forward, and what it is intended to accomplish. When the proposed bill is complete, please send it to the Faculty Senate Vice Chair, Chair, and Recording Secretary for presentation to the Senate Leadership Committee. Please allow enough time for the bill to be distributed to SLC members for study before the meeting and to be placed on the agenda. We are asking sponsors to get the bill submitted to the SLC 48 hours in advance of the SLC meeting (last Thursday of every month) to give the Recording Secretary time to get it posted to the Senate website and out to the SLC members. One or more sponsors must be present at SLC to make the presentation, and interested faculty that are not Senators are also welcome.

If the proposal includes substantial supporting documents (i.e. new degree proposals, bibliographic references, university reports, etc.) please include those with your submission as supplemental materials.

Adapted July 2019 from "How to Prepare a Proposition (2017)".