



ECAS FACULTY SENATE

2019-2020 NEWSLETTER

Questions or concerns? Contact Senate President, Elena Pesavento, epesave@emory.edu

SPECIAL ELECTION RESULTS

A special ballot was distributed to the College faculty in Spring 2020. Over 300 faculty members voted, and the results are as follows:

- Revise graduation requirement by removing the requirement to take "no less than 32 academic courses." - 93.14% accepted change
- Revise graduation requirement from "A GPA of at least 1.9 for all work attempted for a letter grade and a 2.0 average in the senior year" to "A GPA of at least 2.0 for all work attempted for a letter grade." - 93.55% accepted change
- Add a one course [Race and Ethnicity Requirement](#) to the General Education Requirements. - 76.41% accepted change

WORKING GROUPS AND TASK FORCES

Undergraduate Curriculum and GER - continued from 2018-19 and continuing in 2020-21

Guidelines for Interdepartmental Cluster Hires TF - discussion continuing in Fall 2020

Creation, Continuation, Configuration, and Closure of Departments and Programs WG

COVID-19 RESPONSE

The Senate has been meeting regularly via Zoom since the College transitioned to remote learning.

- On May 8, the Senate passed a [resolution affirming Emory College Faculty's commitments](#) during the COVID-19 pandemic
- The Senate created an ad-hoc [Task Force to provide shared governance related to budgetary and financial matters](#). This Task Force has already begun meeting with Dean Elliott and will continue throughout the summer.
- Extra meetings were scheduled at the end of the semester to allow faculty to discuss contingency planning for the fall semester. These Zoom meetings were attended by over 140 College faculty members.

New Senators

2020-21

Juliette Apkarian
Deepika Bahri
David Davis III
Bree Ettinger
Kate O'Toole
Mark Risjord
Donald Tuten
Phillip Wolff

President: Jen Heemstra
President-elect: Peter Höyng

To view all committee documents, schedules, and members, visit the Faculty Governance Website:

<https://secure.web.emory.edu/college/governance/>