

Faculty Senate Educational and Research Technologies Committee (ERTC)
Operating Procedures
September 2021

ERTC Responsibilities & Membership (Source: Faculty Senate By-Laws as amended April 2021)

7.1.5.6 Educational and Research Technologies Committee.

This committee shall have the responsibility of matters related to the development and implementation of educational and research technologies at the University that guide acquisition of information literacy by students and faculty. It shall review and recommend policies and procedures relating to the planning, introduction, and use of campus-wide technologies, including computers, communications, electronic data handling, and instructional media. The committee shall assume responsibility for informing the administration of educational and research priorities and needs related to information literacy and see that these are considered in all planning. It shall maintain close liaison with the Curricular Affairs Committee, the Financial and Physical Planning Committee, the Student Affairs Committee, and the Research, Scholarship, and the Creative Arts Committee. The committee shall maintain close liaison with appropriate administrative offices in its areas of responsibility and with the Educational Policy and Institutional Resources Committee of the Board of Trustees.

7.1.2.1 Elected Members.

- a. **Number.** Except as described below, standing committees and standing subcommittees shall be composed of at least one member from the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, the College of Education and Social Services, the College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences, the Larner College of Medicine, the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, the Grossman School of Business, the Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources, and the University Libraries. A unit with more than 200 full-time eligible faculty members may elect one additional member to each standing committee and standing subcommittee.
- b. **Eligibility.** Any eligible faculty member (as defined in section 2.1) may stand for election by their college or school to serve on a standing committee except as otherwise stated in these Bylaws.
- c. **Term.** Members of the standing committees shall be elected for three years or as otherwise stated in these Bylaws, starting on July 1. Terms shall be staggered so that approximately one-third of the standing committee members shall be elected each year.
- d. **Election.** The election of standing committee members shall be the responsibility of the individual college and school faculties. Elections shall be held no later than March of each year and shall be conducted by secret ballot distributed to all

eligible faculty members of the college/school. An opportunity must be provided for all eligible faculty members to volunteer to run for election to Senate standing committees. The Faculty Senate shall supervise the elections of Senate standing committees; concerns regarding election irregularities must be communicated to the Senate President by May 1.

- e. **Vacancies.** If a standing committee member vacates their seat the vacancy shall be filled by a special election within the unit from which the member was elected. The term of a member under these circumstances shall commence immediately and shall normally be for the unexpired term of the regularly elected member. If a standing committee member is granted leave for one year or less a replacement shall be elected by a special election within the unit to take the absent standing committee member's seat for the period of the leave.
- f. **Attendance.** A standing committee member absent from two committee meetings in a calendar year in the absence of mitigating circumstances will be considered to have vacated their seat.
- g. **Members of the Senate.** A standing committee member may also serve as an elected senator. Standing committee members are members of the Senate without vote if not also an elected senator.

Meetings (Dates, Times, Location)

- The Educational & Research Technologies Committee meetings are generally held on the second Wednesday of each month from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. on Teams.
- It is the responsibility of the ERTC Chair to notify all members of the specific dates, times, and locations of committee meetings.
- Meeting materials will be distributed about one week before the meeting.
- The ERTC webpage is located at https://www.uvm.edu/faculty_senate/educational_research_technologies_committee
- Regular guests include Registrar, CIO, Director Systems Administration (Mike Austin), Media Technician Senior (Andrew Horvat), and Registrar (Veronika Carter).
- Chair elections will be completed by the Faculty Senate Office by the end of the academic year.
- The ERTC chair will submit an annual report to the Faculty Senate Office by April 30th each year.