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Faculty Advisory Council Structure and Role in Curriculum Reviews

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SAN ANTONIO

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Procedure Summary

This administrative procedure describes the role of the Texas A&M University-San Antonio (A&M-SA) Faculty Advisory Council in establishing and reviewing the university's curriculum and electing member representatives.

Procedure

1. GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM REVIEW

1.1. A&M-SA will annually submit to the Texas A&M University System (system) Board of Regents (board) an update regarding any changes to the general education curriculum offered at the university. The board may reserve the right to overturn any decision made by the institution regarding any changes to the general education curriculum offered at the institution. The Faculty Advisory Council can serve to advise the president and the board regarding general education curriculum matters.

2. REVIEW OF MINOR DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

- 2.1. At least once every five years, the A&M-SA president must conduct a review of minor degree and certificate programs offered by the institution to identify programs with low enrollment that may require consolidation or elimination.
- 2.2. The criteria for this review must require that minor degree and certificate programs have specific industry data to substantiate workforce demand to warrant consideration for consolidation or elimination.
- 2.3. A minor degree or certificate program that has operated less than five years at the time of the review is exempt from this review.
- 2.4. The A&M-SA president's decision to consolidate or eliminate a minor degree or certificate program as the result of a review conducted under this section is subject to approval or denial by the board.

3. ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER 2026 DEPARTMENT ELECTIONS

3.1 For the 2026 fiscal year, each department must hold two separate elections to choose their representatives. One election will be held to select a faculty member to serve a two-year term. Another election will be held to select a faculty member from the same department to serve a one-year term. Beginning with fiscal year 2027, members will be elected to serve for a two-year term. Members cannot serve consecutive two-year terms and may only be reelected after the second anniversary of the last day of the member's most recent term.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

Texas Education Code § 51.315 (as enacted by S.B. 37, § 1.01 effective September 1, 2025).

Texas Education Code § 51.3522 (as enacted by S.B. 37, § 2.02 effective September 1, 2025).

Texas Education Code § 51.989 (as enacted by S.B. 37, § 1.03 effective September 1, 2025).

System Policy 12.04, Faculty Advisory Council

University Rule <u>12.04.99.01 Faculty Advisory Council</u>

University Administrative Procedure <u>11.10.99.00.01</u>, <u>Substantive Change</u>

Appendix

Faculty Advisory Council Bylaws

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