

**SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY**  
**THE FACULTY AND FACULTY SENATE**  
**CONSTITUTION**

**ARTICLE I: THE FACULTY**

The Faculty shall consist of all persons identified as members of the Faculty as defined in the current edition of the *Faculty Manual*.

**ARTICLE II: THE ROLE OF THE FACULTY**

The Faculty has primary responsibility for such fundamental areas as curriculum, subject matter and methods of instruction, research, service, faculty status, and those aspects of student life which relate to the educational process. On these matters the power of review or final decision lodged in the Board of Trustees or delegated by it to the President of the University should be exercised adversely only in exceptional circumstances, and for reasons communicated in written form to the Faculty. In the context of shared governance, it is desirable that the Faculty have opportunity for further consideration and transmittal of its views to the President and/or the Board. Budgets, manpower limitations, the time element, and the policies of other groups, bodies and agencies having jurisdiction over the institution may set limits to acceptance and implementation of faculty advice.

Responsibility for these matters within an individual school or college of the University, or the university libraries, rests with the Faculty of that school, college, or the university libraries. The Faculty Senate shall have responsibility for matters which extend beyond a single school, college, or the university libraries.

**ARTICLE III: THE FACULTY SENATE**

1. The Faculty empowers the Faculty Senate to represent it or act for it on any matter.
2. The Faculty Senate shall consist of representatives of the full-time Faculty as defined in the current edition of the *Faculty Manual*. The representatives shall be elected by the respective faculties of the individual schools and colleges, and the university libraries, in accordance with the Bylaws of the Faculty and Faculty Senate.

3. The officers of the Faculty Senate shall be President, President-elect, Secretary, and other officers as designated in the Bylaws of the Faculty and Faculty Senate.
4. The Faculty Senate shall communicate with the Faculty on an ongoing basis.

#### ARTICLE IV: THE FUNCTIONS OF THE FACULTY SENATE

The Faculty Senate shall

1. act for the Faculty;
2. carry out any and all mandates given it by the Faculty;
3. call meetings of the Faculty;
4. establish and facilitate the operations of such committees as it deems necessary.

#### ARTICLE V: CONSTITUTIONAL IMPLEMENTATION AND AMENDMENTS

1. The Faculty Senate shall implement the provisions of this Constitution through Bylaws.
2. Articles of this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those full-time Faculty voting in a general referendum, by secret ballot.