

1 **ACADEMIC SENATE**
2 **Resolution 20/21-08**

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4 **Change to Senate Constitution concerning Part-time**
5 **faculty**

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7 WHEREAS the University benefits from the engagement of part-time faculty in
8 service and governance;

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10 WHEREAS there is a contradiction between the USC Faculty Handbook Section
11 2-C2(c), which states:

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13 4_C 2(c) Each school must have active participation by research-track,
14 teaching-track, practitioner-track, and clinical-track, faculty members in
15 faculty governance, including on faculty guidelines for those tracks, but
16 not including matters concerning tenure and the tenure system. **Part-**
17 **time faculty are eligible to be elected or appointed to faculty governance**
18 **bodies.** The Academic Senate Constitution has provisions concerning
19 participation in faculty governance by research-track, teaching-track,
20 practitioner-track, and clinical-track, faculty (Article I, Sections 2 and 3).

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22 and both the Academic Senate Constitution, Article I, Section 2, which states:

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24 Section 2. All members of the Faculty Assembly (Article III, Section 1)
25 are eligible to participate in faculty governance including in the Academic
26 Senate and faculty committees. **However, only non-retired, full-time**
27 **faculty may vote for and serve on school faculty councils,** and non-tenure
28 track faculty are restricted from participation in certain bodies and votes
29 (see section 3).

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31 and Academic Senate Constitution, Article III, Section 1, which states:

32 The membership of the Faculty Assembly consists of all **full-time faculty**
33 **members** (tenured and tenure-track faculty, nontenure-track faculty, and
34 librarians), and those who have retired from these positions.

35 WHEREAS the Academic Senate Constitution, an internal Senate document,
36 must be consistent with rules and policies in the Handbook, which which is
37 endorsed by the University President;

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39 WHEREAS the University has adopted the designation "research, teaching,
40 practitioner, and clinical" to replace "nontenure-track";

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42 BE IT RESOLVED that the Academic Senate Constitution Article I, Section 2,
43 shall be revised to read:
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45 Section 2. All members of the Faculty Assembly (Article III, Section 1)
46 are eligible to participate in faculty governance including in the Academic
47 Senate and faculty committees. However, ~~only non-retired, full-time~~
48 ~~faculty may vote for and serve on school faculty councils, and non-tenure~~
49 ~~track~~ research, teaching, practitioner, and clinical faculty are restricted
50 from participation in certain bodies and votes (see section 3).
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52 AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Academic Senate Constitution, Article
53 3, Section 1, shall be revised to read:

54 The membership of the Faculty Assembly consists of all full-time and
55 part-time faculty members (~~tenured and tenure-track faculty, nontenure-~~
56 ~~track faculty, and librarians~~ tenured and tenure-track faculty; research,
57 teaching, practitioner, and clinical faculty; and librarians), and those who
58 have retired from these positions.
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61 Resolution Number: 20/21-08

62 Motion by: Executive Board

63 Date: Feb 17, 2021

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65 Action taken:

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