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Membership

All full-time and part-time faculty are members of the Academic Senate. Membership begins with employment as a full-time or part-time member of the faculty, and continues throughout employment.

The [Senate Orientation PowerPoint](#) provides an overview of the Foothill College Academic Senate.

Membership Dues

All full-time and part-time faculty are asked to contribute monthly membership dues (\$5.00 for FT faculty and \$3.00 for PT faculty) to help fund the work of the Academic Senate, which includes funding travel and registration expenses for the officers to attend statewide meetings. In addition, the Academic Senate offers annual scholarships to students and hosts a part-time faculty appreciation dinner when funding is sufficient to support these efforts.

Membership dues can be deducted monthly from your paycheck. To sign up for automatic payroll deductions please download and fill out form below, and return it to the Academic Senate Secretary/Treasurer, Robert Cormia (cormiarobert@fhda.edu). If you are not sure if you are currently paying dues, we encourage you to fill out and send in the form (this will not result in a duplication of dues).

[Sign-Up Monthly Deduction Form](#)

[Stop Monthly Deduction Form](#)



Questions?
Please contact me!

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Senate Membership

See [membership contact list](#) for 2022-2023 Academic Senate officers, division senators, and liaisons.

Membership Responsibilities

As members of the Academic Senate, all full-time and part-time faculty are expected to participate in the formation of college and district policies by supporting a strong and active Senate. You can do this by:

1. supporting the officers and elected representatives of the organization through informed suggestions, recommendations, and feedback on issues under discussion;
2. informed voting on all issues presented to the Academic Senate;
3. volunteering to be an active member of at least one sub-committee of the Academic Senate and/or Senate rep on a governance council or committee; and
4. paying all dues.

The Executive Committee (a.k.a. "The Senate")

The Foothill College Academic Senate acts through its **Executive Committee**, often referred to as "**the Senate**," with elected faculty representatives from every instructional and student support division, as well as two part-time faculty representatives, representing all part-time faculty in every division. As of June 2021 the Executive Committee also includes a voting position for the ASFC President or delegate, the Classified Senate President or delegate, the Faculty Professional Development Coordinator and the Faculty Chair of the Committee on Online Learning (COOL), in addition to a non-voting Administrative Liaison position.

Division representatives are referred to as "**Senators**," and generally hold two-year terms. The leadership of the Academic Senate and the Executive Committee consists of four officers: the **President**, the **Executive Vice President**, the **Vice-President of Curriculum** (who also serves as Faculty Co-Chair of the College Curriculum Committee) and a **Secretary-Treasurer**, all elected by the full membership of the Academic Senate to serve two-year terms.

The Role of a Senator

Your senator performs the following duties as a member of the Executive Committee:

1. Votes on policies and procedures regarding academic and professional issues.
2. Ratifies all faculty appointments to committees and task forces.
3. Maintains constant oral and written communication with:
 - the division
 - the faculty at large
 - administrative staff, the Board of Trustees, and the FA as requested by the President.
4. Brings division's concerns to Executive Committee,
5. Attends regular Executive Committee meetings which are held every other Monday from 2 to 4 p.m.
6. Provides an alternate with proxy vote if the senator can not attend.
7. Serves on a minimum of one major committee.
8. Serves for a term of two years.

Senate Officers 2022-23

Position	Officer	Email
President	Voltaire Villanueva	villanuevavoltaire@fhda.edu
Executive Vice President	Jordan Fong	fongjordan@fhda.edu
VP Curriculum Faculty Co-Chair	Eric Kuehnl	kuehnleric@fhda.edu
Secretary Treasurer	Robert Cormia	cormiarobert@fhda.edu

Division Senators 2022-23

Division	Representatives	Email
Apprenticeship (APP)	Brian Murphy, (vacant)	brian@pttc.edu
Biological & Health Sciences (BHS)	Frank Niccoli, (vacant)	niccolifrances@fhda.edu
Business & Social Sciences (BSS) (includes KCI)	(vacant), (vacant)	
Counseling (CNSL) (includes Student Affairs)	Tracee Cunningham, Luis Carillo	cunninghamtracee@fhda.edu carrilloluisalberto@fhda.edu
Disability Resource Center & Veterans Resource Center (DRC/VRC)	Mayra Palmerin Aguilera	palmerinaguileramayra@fhda.edu
Fine Arts & Communication (FA/COMM)	Che Meneses, (vacant)	menesesche@fhda.edu
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Language Arts (LA)	Stephanie Chan, Patricia Crespo-Martin	chanstephanie@fhda.edu crespomartinpatricia@fhda.edu
Learning Resource Center (LRC)	Kimberly Escamilla, Mary Thomas	thomasmary@fhda.edu escamillakimberly@fhda.edu
Physical Sciences, Math & Engineering (PSME)	Matthew Litrus, Christain Rotsides	litrusmatthew@fhda.edu rotsideschristina@fhda.edu
At-Large PT Faculty Senators	Ellen Judd, Roxanne Cnudde	juddellen@fhda.edu cnudderoxanne@fhda.edu

Additional Members of the Executive Committee 2022-23

Organization	Representative	Email
ASFC	Skye Bridges	asfcpres@fhda.edu
Classified Senate	Janie Garcia	garciajanie@fhda.edu
Faculty Association (FA)	John Fox	foxjohn@fhda.edu
Faculty Chair of COOL	Kerri Ryer	ryerkerri@fhda.edu

Faculty Prof Dev Coordinator	Carolyn Holcroft	holcroftcarolyn@fhda.edu
Dean of Equity	Ajani Byrd	byrdajani@fhda.edu
Admin (non-voting)	Kurt Hueg	huegkurt@fhda.edu

Academic Senate Reps to Governance Councils & Committees 2021-22

[Current Academic Senate Appointments \(Updated June 21, 2022\)](#) 