

# At-Large Senators

A. At least one-twentieth of the apportioned seats shall be at-large. All graduate students who do not already represent a constituency in the Senate or serve as an officer shall be eligible to be an at-large Senator.

B. At-Large Senator terms shall end with the last day of the Spring Semester and begin on the following day.

C. Elections shall occur by the following procedures, overseen by the Parliamentarian and the Procedures Committee:

i. Applications to run for at-large seats shall be solicited from the graduate student community a reasonable time before the elections.

ii. At-Large elections shall take place during the Spring Semester. Voting by closed ballot shall be open for multiple days to all members of the graduate student community. All graduate students may cast up to one vote for each open seat. The nominees with the most votes shall obtain the positions.

iii. At-large elections may be conducted electronically in conjunction with the Student Activities Joint Elections program.

D. If there is a vacancy in an at-large seat during a term:

i. Candidates who wish to fill a vacant At-Large Senator seat must collect a petition with 25 verifiable signatures from graduate students supporting his or her candidacy. The Procedures Committee shall review and verify the petition.

ii. If the Procedures Committee approves a candidate's petition to fill an At-Large Senator vacancy, a closed ballot vote of current active senators shall be held. If a majority votes in favor of the candidate, that candidate is elected