

Faculty Status Committee - Call for Nominations

If you are interested in important university service, consider nominating a colleague or self-nominating to serve on the Faculty Status Committee (FSC). The FSC is an independent investigative faculty committee elected by the WSU faculty at large to hear appeals of non-reappointment, denial of tenure, or deferral of promotion (<https://facsen.wsu.edu/faculty-status-committee/>). We investigate on grounds of substantial procedural irregularity, inadequate consideration, and/or violation of academic freedom. The FSC can also be asked to hear and investigate other appeals as outlined in the Faculty Manual. The number of appeals made to the FSC vary from year to year. Investigations generally occur in the spring and reports are forwarded to the appellants and the WSU President by May.

Through this service, you will learn a great deal about university policies and procedures, the Faculty Manual, and colleagues and administrators across the university. Faculty serving on the FSC must hold at least the rank of Associate Professor, either career track or tenured, have six years of consecutive service at WSU, and not hold administrative appointments that involve participation in tenure/promotion decisions. Assistant Professors may apply if they will be confirmed at Associate rank by July 1, 2022.

The FSC consists of 12 members, both career track and tenured, who serve staggered three-year terms and are precluded from serving two consecutive terms. Current members and the year their terms end are as follows:

- Keri McCarthy, co-chair, School of Music (2022); Tracy Klein, co-chair, College of Nursing (2023);
- Sabine Davis, School of Languages, Culture and Race (2022);
- R. Dave Evans, School of Biological Sciences (2022);
- Mary Paine, College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (2022);
- Robin Bond, Honors College (2023);
- Yonas Demissie, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (2023);
- Gabriella Reznowski, WSU Libraries (2023);
- Rebecca Cooney, College of Communication (2024);
- Markus Flury, Department of Crop and Soil Sciences (2024);
- Alla Kostyukova, Voiland School of Chemical Engineering and Bioengineering (2024);
- Xiuyu Wang, Department of History (2024).

Nominations to serve on the FSC are now being accepted by committee co-chairs Mary Paine and Keri McCarthy, who will refer them to the nominations committee. There will be at last two (2) career track and six (6) tenured nominees open for the ballot. To submit a name for election to the FSC, email mary.paine@wsu.edu and kmccarthy@wsu.edu by **March 29, 2022**.

The new term will begin August 16, 2022.