# UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE

Senate (Final; Action)

SC.20.01 Election of a University Senates Conference (USC) Member to Serve on the Senate Executive Committee (SEC)

#### **BACKGROUND**

In accordance with Senate *Bylaws* Part D.1.b.i, Membership of the SEC: "one of the Senate's representatives to the University Senates Conference, elected by the Senate to serve on the Executive Committee".

### **NOMINATIONS**

The following USC members are nominated for a one-year term on the SEC. Nominees are listed in randomized order and a statement of interest and experience for each nominee is listed below. Each voter may cast one vote. The nominee with the highest number of votes will be declared elected.

Bettina Francis LAS Joyce Tolliver LAS

## SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Bettina Francis, Chair
Rob Kar, Vice-Chair
Sara Benson
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John Dallesasse
Joseph Edwards
Shawn Gilmore
Richard Gonigam
Amy Hovious
Gay Miller
Scott Morris
Nancy O'Brien
Vikram Sardana
Mark Steinberg
Joyce Tolliver

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# STATEMENTS OF INTEREST AND EXPERIENCE

# **Bettina Francis (LAS)**

Bettina Francis is an Associate Professor in the Department of Entomology (LAS). She has served on numerous Senate committees, including: Educational Policy (Chair, 2015-2017), Library, Student Discipline, Outreach, Benefits, Committee on Committees (Chair, 2011-2012), as well as campus-wide committees (Commencement, Graduate Fellowship, Gen Ed Board), and she is completing her final year as Chair of the Senate Executive Committee. Finally, next year is her 6th year as a member of the University Senates Conference. These varied committee assignments – and some 20 years as a member of the Senate – have given her a wide knowledge of the University and of the Senate, which she will bring to this role of representing the USC at the Senate Executive Committee.

# **Joyce Tolliver (LAS)**

Joyce Tolliver is Director of the Center for Translation Studies and Associate Professor in Spanish & Portuguese. Her research and teaching deal with translation, narrative, gender, and sexuality in post-Empire Spain. She is currently Chair of University Senates Conference. She is past Chair (2009-2011) and Vice-Chair (2008-09 and 2011-12) of SEC and has served on several Senate committees.

She has participated in an ongoing Board of Trustees task force to revise the University Statutes and General Rules, and in 2014-2015, she represented the faculty in shaping the governance structure of the Carle-Illinois College of Medicine. Currently, she serves on the Senate General University Policy Committee and the Faculty Advisory Committee for System Academic Affairs. She is also a member of the LAS Humanities Council and the Spanish & Portuguese Advisory Committee and chairs the departmental Curriculum Committee. She was recently awarded the campus-wide 2019 Outstanding Faculty Leadership Award.

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