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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
(Final; Action)

CC.27.14 Election of a Faculty Senator to Fill One Vacancy on the 2026-2027 University Senates Conference (USC)

BACKGROUND
The University Senates Conference is a System-wide body established by the *Statutes* and composed of a total of twenty representatives from the several university senates. The number of representatives from each senate is specified in the *Statutes* [Article II, Section 2.a.1]. The representatives are elected by their respective senates for three-year terms beginning on the first day of the academic year following their election and must be faculty senators at the time their committee term begins. As close to one-third as possible of the representatives from each senate are elected each year. Representatives from the Urbana-Champaign Senate may serve no more than two full terms consecutively. (*Bylaws* Part D.18)

The Senate Committee on University Senates Conference shall keep the Senate informed concerning matters before the Conference and represent the interests of the Senate in the Conference. One member of the Committee on University Senates Conference shall be elected to the Senate Executive Committee, as prescribed in *Bylaw* D, 1 (b).

Members of the Urbana delegation to the USC, and the year their terms expire are listed below. Members in *italics* have terms expiring or have resigned.

2027		**2028**		**2029**	
Holly Golecki	ENGR	Kate Clancy	LAS	Toni Gist	ACES
William Maher	LIBR	Linda Herrera	EDUC	Rob Kar	LAW
Linda Moorhouse	FAA	*Charles Roseman*	*LAS*	Neal Pearson	BUS
				Josie Rudolphi	ACES

NOMINATIONS
The Senate Committee on Committees nominates the following faculty senator for a one-year term on the University Senates Conference (USC) created by the resignation of Charles Roseman (LAS) and expiring in **2028**.

Sara Benson LIBR

A statement of interest is included.

Nominations from the floor must be accompanied by the nominee's willingness to serve if elected and indicate the position to be filled, or the nominee's oral acceptance if present. A statement of interest limited to 150 words is also requested.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
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STATEMENT OF INTEREST

Sara Benson (Associate Professor, LIBR)
Hi Senators. I'm the Copyright Librarian and Associate Professor at the University Library. I've been on the Senate on and off for many years, I've been with the University for 20 at this point. I've served in many capacities on the Senate during that time, as a Senator, a USC representative, an SEC elected member, an elected member of the Committee on Committees, Chair of a committee for multiple terms, member of the Chancellor Selection Committee, and Parliamentarian. I'd be glad to lend my expertise and knowledge of the University of Illinois *Statutes* and Procedures to the USC once again. Thanks for your continuing confidence in me as your representative.