

# SHARED GOVERNANCE: WHAT IS IT AND WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

*"The quality of this university is the quality of its faculty"*  
*Clark Kerr*

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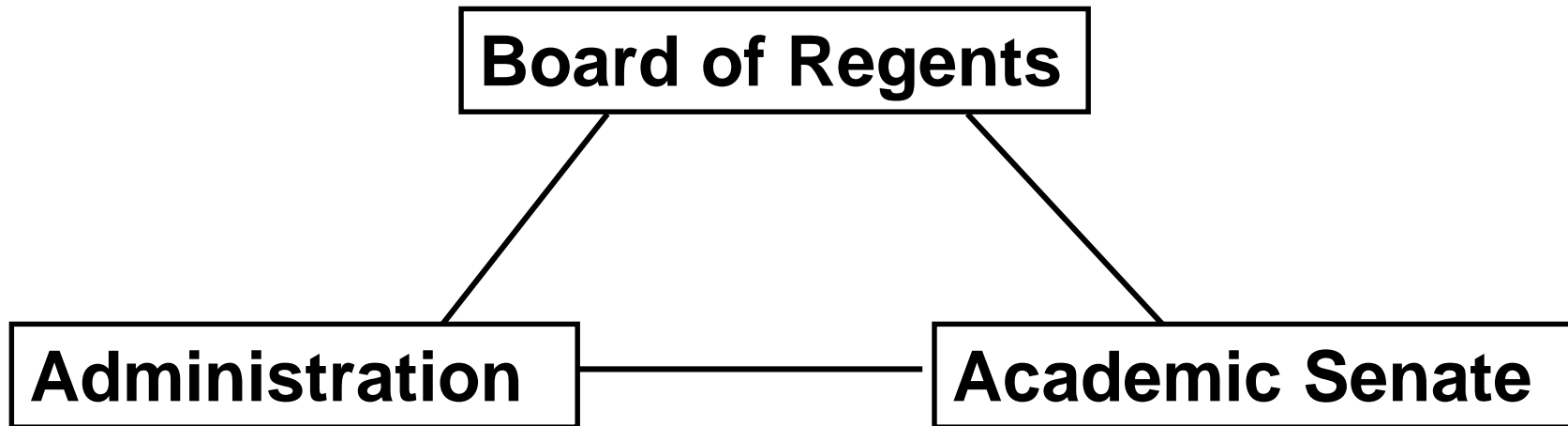
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# GOVERNANCE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



## **Members of the Academic Senate include:**

Faculty in the Professor and LSOE title series

Select senior administrators (e.g., University Librarian, Registrar)

# RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SENATE AS SET FORTH IN THE STANDING ORDERS 105 OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

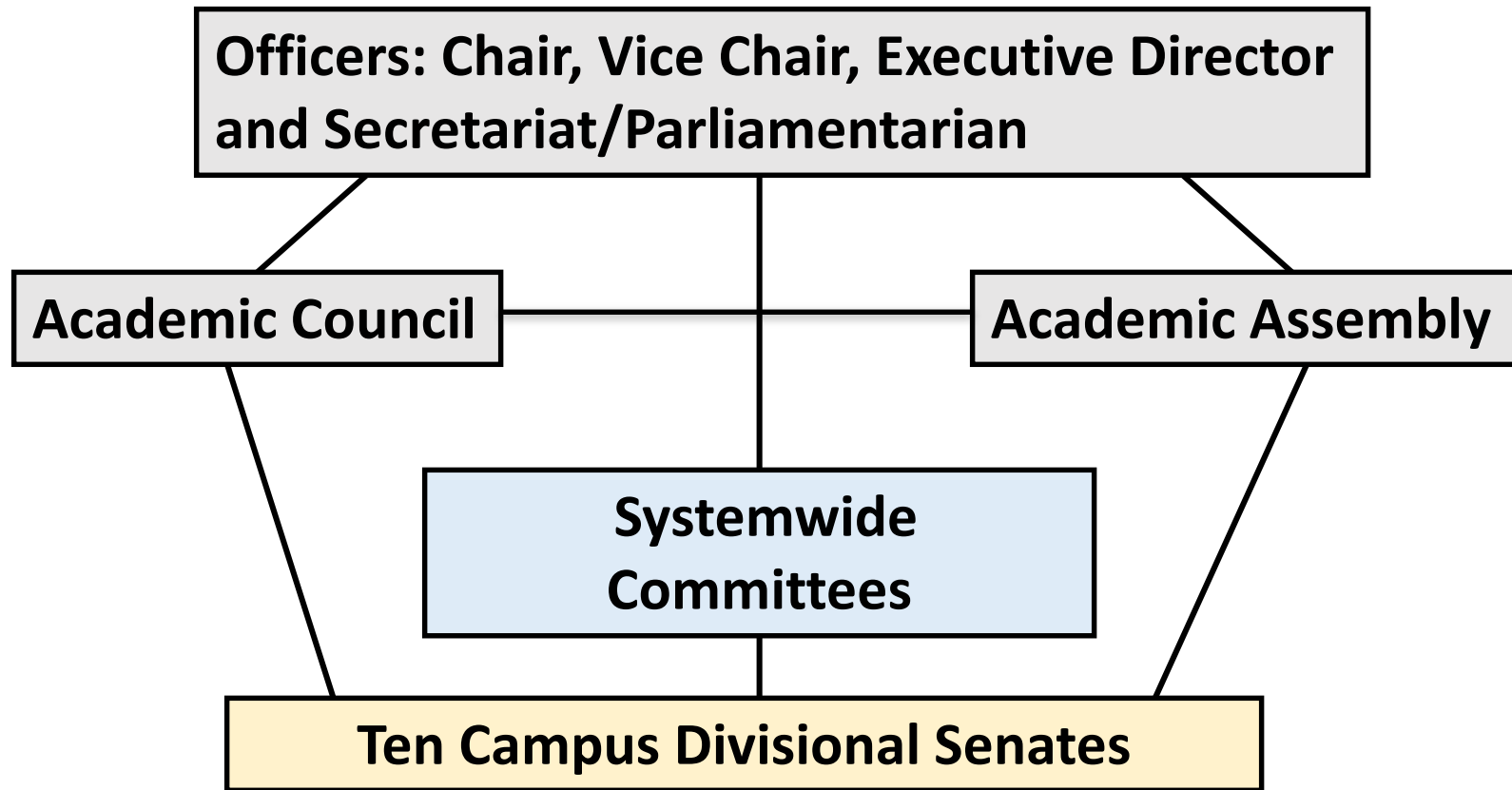
The Academic Senate shall:

- **determine the conditions for admission, for certificates, and for degrees.**
- **supervise all courses and curricula**
- have the right to lay before the Board, but only through the President, its views on any matter pertaining to the conduct and welfare of the University
- determine its own membership as described in Regents Standing Order 105.1b

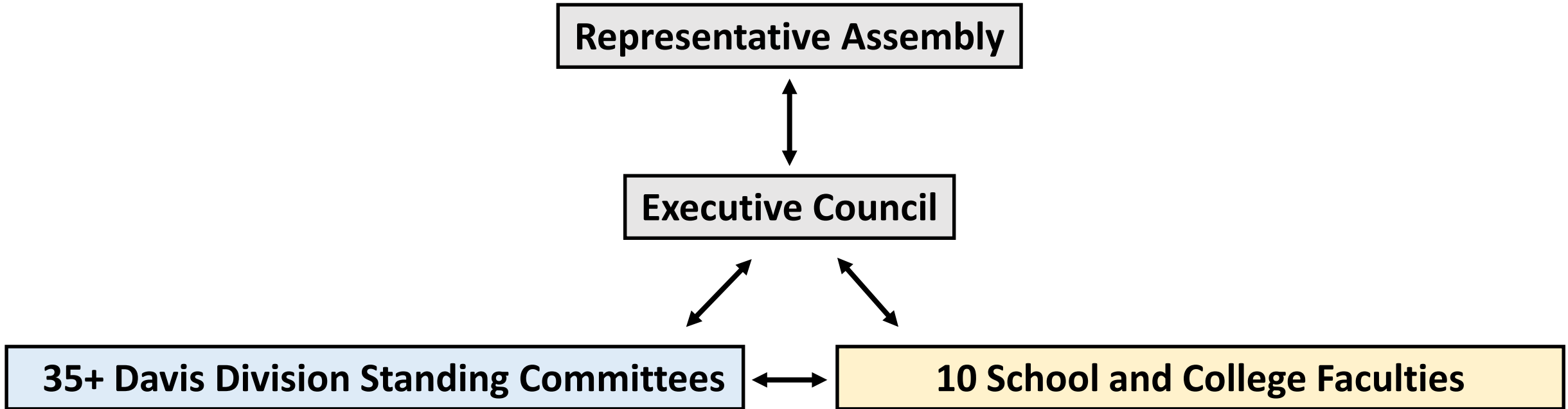
The Academic Senate is authorized to:

- advise Chancellors concerning campus budgets and the President concerning the University budget through a committee selected by the Senate
- **approve a college or professional school curriculum that has been submitted to the formal consideration of the faculty concerned**
- advise Chancellors on the appointment and promotion of tenured and tenure-track faculty members
- advise the President and the Chancellors concerning the administration of the libraries of the University.

# ORGANIZATION OF THE SYSTEMWIDE ACADEMIC SENATE



# ORGANIZATION OF THE DAVIS DIVISION



## **35+ Davis Division Academic Senate Standing Committees**

## **10 School and College Faculties Executive Committees**

**Academic Freedom & Responsibility**  
**Admissions & Enrollment**  
**Affirmative Action & Diversity**  
**Committee on Committees**  
**Courses of Instruction**  
**Distinguished Teaching Awards**  
**Elections Rules & Jurisdiction**  
**Emeriti**  
**Faculty Privilege/Academic Personnel**  
**Advisers**  
**Faculty Research Lecturer**  
**Faculty Welfare**  
**Grade Changes**  
**Information Technology**  
**International Education**  
**Joint Personnel**  
**Library**  
**Research**  
**Undergrad. Scholarships, Honors**  
**& Prizes**

**Academic Personnel**  
**Appellate Subcommittee**  
**Oversight Subcommittee**

**Graduate Council**  
**Academic Planning & Dev.**  
**Administrative**  
**Bylaws**  
**Courses**  
**Educational Policy**  
**Grad. Student Support**  
**Program Review**  
**Grad Student & Post Doc**  
**Welfare**  
**Program Review Closure**

**Planning & Budget**  
**Instructional Space**

**Privilege & Tenure**  
**Investigative**  
**Hearings**

**Undergraduate Council**  
**General Education**  
**Preparatory Education**  
**Special Academic Prog.**  
**Undergrad Instruction &**  
**Prog. Review**

**Agricultural &**  
**Environmental Sciences**  
**Biological Sciences**  
**Engineering**  
**Letters & Science**  
**Nursing**  
**Grad. School of**  
**Management**  
**Education**  
**Law**  
**Medicine**  
**Veterinary Medicine**

# HOW THE ACADEMIC SENATE AFFECTS YOU

- Curriculum Decisions
- Admissions and Enrollment
- Research: Policy and Faculty Research Grants
- Academic Freedom
- Academic Senate Personnel Process
- Faculty Welfare
- Awards
- Libraries
- Formal consultation with the administration
- Official Academic Senate representation in senior administrator recruitment, senior administrator review, etc.

# HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Review the Academic Senate Committee webpage to see which committee(s) best match your interests
- Talk with colleagues who have served on senate committees to learn about their experiences
- Respond to the Annual Call distributed via email in December
  - Appointments and re-appointments are conducted annually
  - We usually receive many more volunteers that can be placed, so we encourage faculty to apply again!
- Get involved in service at the department and college level





# SOME CURRENT ISSUES AND INITIATIVES

## Systemwide:

- Modifications to UC Sexual Violence/Sexual Harassment Policy
- Transfer enrollments
- Increasing faculty diversity
- Cybersecurity
- Faculty salaries
- Standardized admissions tests



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## UC Davis Campus:

- First steps in prioritizing and implementing recommendations from:
  - *To Boldly Go*: UC Davis Strategic Plan
  - EY Budget Model Allocation Assessment
- Transfer admissions
- Hispanic-serving institute status
- Development of academic programs for Aggie Square

# Questions?

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