

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

CC.20.08 Election of a Member to the 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 campus senates. The number of representatives from each senate is specified in the *Statutes*. 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.

**NOMINATIONS**

The following faculty member is nominated to fill a faculty vacancy, due to the resignation of Harley Johnson, with a term ending in 2021. A statement of interest and experience is attached. If no additional nominations are made, this individual will be declared elected.

Min Zhan

SSW

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Nominations from the floor must be accompanied by the nominee's signed statement of willingness to serve if elected. The statement shall be dated and include the name of the position to be filled. If present, the nominee's oral statement will suffice. All nominations must be in accordance with Senate *Bylaws*.

## **FACULTY STATEMENT OF INTEREST AND EXPERIENCE**

### **Min Zhan (SSW)**

Dr. Min Zhan is a Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Programs with the School of Social Work. Dr. Zhan joined the faculty in 2001 after receiving her Ph.D. from Washington University in St. Louis. Dr. Zhan served as the Ph.D. Program Director between 2009 and 2014 and has been the Associate Dean for Academic Programs since 2015. As a social policy researcher, Dr. Zhan has published and presented extensively on topics related to social welfare policies and socioeconomic inequality. Her recent research projects investigate the impact of education loans on college graduation and postgraduate financial well-being. Dr. Zhan was the Big Ten Academic Alliance Academic Leadership Program Fellow in 2017-2018. She has served on several university committees, including Council on Associate/Assistant Deans on Graduate Education, Council on Faculty Excellence, and Council on Learning Outcomes Assessment. Dr. Zhan hopes to bring her deep committee to diversity and inclusion and principals of shared governance to her service with the University Senates Conference.