

**ELECTED BY SENATE AS
AMENDED 05/04/2026**

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

CC.27.04 Election of Faculty Senators to the 2026-2027 Senate Committee on 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 the 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.

2026		2027		2028	
<i>Prasanta Kalita</i>	ACES	<i>Jon Hale</i>	EDUC	Kathryn Clancy	LAS
<i>Angela Lyons</i>	ACES	William Maher	LIBR	Linda Herrera	EDUC
<i>Carol Symes</i>	LAS	Linda Moorehouse	FAA	Charles Roseman	LAS
<i>Joyce Tolliver</i>	LAS				

NOMINATIONS

The Senate Committee on Committees nominates the following faculty senators for a three-year term on the University Senates Conference (USC), expiring in **2029**. Statements of interest are included.

- A. Josie Rudolphi ACES
- B. Neal Pearson BUS
- C. Rob Kar LAW
- D. Toni Gist ACES

The Senate Committee on Committees nominates the following faculty senator to serve on the University Senates Conference (USC) for a one-year term, commencing immediately upon election and concluding in **2027**. Statements of interest are included.

E. Holly Golecki

ENGR

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.

2025-2026 COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Chaya Sandler, Chair

Kent Choquette

Linda Herrera

Gal Hochman

Tania Ionin

Myles Johnson

Bernhard Scully

Sahil Jain, *ex officio*

Jenny Roether, *ex officio*

STATEMENTS OF INTEREST

A. **Josie Rudolphi (Associate Professor, Agricultural and Biological Engineering – ACES)**

Josie Rudolphi, Associate Professor and Extension Specialist, Department of Agricultural and Biological Engineering, will bring a strong record of interdisciplinary collaboration, institutional relationships, and public service to the University Senates Conference. Dr. Rudolphi has experience in teaching, research, and Extension and has worked to advance initiatives that connect institutional priorities with stakeholder needs across the state. She participates in advisory committees and cross-campus partnerships, offering a broad perspective on institutional operations and policy. Dr. Rudolphi's interest in serving on the University Senates Conference is grounded in a desire to strengthen collaboration across campuses, improve student, faculty, and staff experiences, and support policies that enhance the University of Illinois mission.

B. **Holly Golecki (Teaching Associate Professor, Bioengineering – ENGR)**

Holly Golecki is a Teaching Associate Professor in Bioengineering in the Grainger College of Engineering and in Biological and Translational Sciences at the Carle Illinois College of Medicine. Prof. Golecki holds affiliations with Center for Social and Behavioral Sciences and Siebel Center for Design. She earned her PhD in Engineering Sciences from Harvard University. She conducts research at the intersection of social and behavioral science, robotics, and soft materials. Prof. Golecki has received numerous awards including most recently the NSF CAREER award. From the Grainger College of Engineering, she has received

awards for teaching and service. On campus, she currently serves on the faculty senate and the general education board. Prof. Golecki's roots and investment in Illinois combined with her world class scientific training allows her to represent the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign toward the university systems mission on the University Senates Conference committee.