

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
Elections and Credentials
(Final; Action)

EC.18.01 Adjustment of Values Used in Calculating the Size of Faculty Voting Units

BACKGROUND

The Senate is authorized to adjust the apportionment values as needed as stated in the *Constitution* Article II, Section 4. That provision reads:

Section 4. A voting unit having seven members of the faculty electorate is entitled to elect one senator from its membership. For each 12 members of the faculty electorate over the initial seven, the unit shall elect an additional senator. Prior to each election, the Senate shall retain or adjust the numbers 7 or 12 or both by whole numbers to ensure that after such election the total number of senators from the faculty electorate shall be as close to 200 as possible.

The values were adjusted from the original values of 7 and 12 to the revised values of 5 and 10 by the Senate on January 30, 2012 (SP.12.08). With the recent addition of specialized faculty to the faculty electorate (SP.15.08), the apportionment values need to be readjusted to create a faculty electorate as close to 200 as possible.

RECOMMENDATION

The Senate Committee on Elections and Credentials recommends that the Senate adopt the values of 5 and 12 in place of the current values of 5 and 10 to arrive at a faculty electorate as close to 200 as possible.

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Supporting Data

The number of eligible faculty members that count towards apportionment in the 2018-2019 Senate Elections is 2,415. The following table illustrates the size of the Senate that would result using different possibilities for the number of faculty members required for a department to have a single seat and for additional seats.

Number of faculty needed to secure the first seat	Number needed to secure additional seat(s)	Resultant Senate Size
5	13	198
5	12	213
5	11	228
5	10	245

The following table of values was also considered, but the value to secure a first seat would result in the combining of voting units.

Number of faculty needed to secure the first seat	Number needed to secure additional seat(s)	Resultant Senate Size
7	12	195
7	11	210
7	10	227
6	12	206
6	11	222
6	10	239