

**3.7.5** The institution publishes policies on the responsibility and authority of faculty in academic and governance matters. **(Faculty role in governance)**

**Compliance Status:** Compliance

The College of Coastal Georgia's faculty has responsibilities and authority to function in academic matters, such as curriculum, methods of instruction, research, faculty welfare, and aspects of student life relating to the educational process.

Faculty participates in the general governance of the College at all administrative levels through representation on College and departmental committees and councils. All faculty members may participate in College governance, either directly by serving in the College Senate and its committees or indirectly by electing colleagues for representation. The [College of Coastal Georgia Statutes](#) is the official publication that provides for the internal governance of the College.

The Faculty Senate is an integral part of the governance of the College:

*The purpose of the Faculty Senate shall be to provide a systematic means of recommending policy and any changes in policy, except those mandated by the Board of Regents, to the president of the college and to the faculty. The Faculty Senate shall serve as the mechanism for shared governance at the college and shall be responsible for approving and amending the College of Coastal Georgia Statutes.*

The Senate is an elected body with representation of faculty from all disciplines, as well as non-voting leadership by the College President. The College Senate is chaired by its Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Parliamentarian, each elected by Senators; these elected officers serve as the Executive Board. Faculty Senate Standing Committees include

- College Curriculum Committee
- Committee on Faculty Welfare and Development
- Committee on Admissions and Scholastic Standing
- Advisement Committee
- Faculty Appeals Committee
- Committee on Learning Resources
- Committee on Institutional Effectiveness

The [Bylaws of the Faculty Senate](#) constitute the rules and regulations governing the conduct and procedures of the College Senate. These include steps of Faculty Review of Senate actions and Presidential Response as recommendations move toward possible acceptance as official College policy.

**Supporting Documentation**

[\*College of Coastal Georgia Statutes\*](#)

[\*College of Coastal Georgia Faculty Senate Bylaws, Article II\*](#)