

Announcements

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S21 Senate Meetings

Every two or three weeks.

Academics On(the)Line

We have identified three corners of the profession that are touched by the Internet where there seems to be an absence of publicized principles and guidance...

So We'll Discuss them This Semester...

Developing an Online Harassment Response Protocol

How should we handle a threatening communication that targets a member of the faculty?

Outreach via Podcasts and Related Mechanisms

How should we advise and support faculty who are thinking about hosting a podcast that relates to their academic work?

Responding to Online Petitions

How should online petitions be interpreted when they call for a particular faculty action or inaction?

University Awards for Teaching and Advising

Two reasons why they are important:

1. It is important to recognize individuals who have demonstrated sustained levels of excellence.
2. It's an occasion to codify just what we mean by "excellence in teaching" and "excellence in advising".

Both reasons even more important during the pandemic.

The Processes Resume After a 1-Year Pause

Nominations for the [Weiss Awards for Excellence in Undergraduate Education](#) are being accepted. For tenured faculty. The [nomination process](#) starts with an intend-to-nominate email due March 1. Full nomination dossiers are due April 9.

Nominations for the newly established [Provost Award for Teaching Excellence in Graduate and Professional Degree Programs](#) are being accepted. All tenured, tenure-track, and RTE faculty eligible. Up to two awards annually. The [nomination Process](#) is streamlined. Due April 9.

Nominations for the [Kendall S. Carpenter Advising Award](#) for sustained and distinguished contributions to undergraduate advising are being accepted. Professorial faculty and senior lecturers are eligible. The [nomination process](#). Dues March 10.

DoF, UFC, N&E, Senator-at-Large Elections

Jan-Feb	Collect names for N&E consideration via deanoffaculty@cornell.edu
Mid-March	DoF Candidate Debate in Senate
Late March	Election

Extra steps are being taken to ensure that we have a diverse pool of candidates. (Similar effort in play for all the committees that connect to the Senate.)

Faculty Elections Cont'd

Dean of Faculty

To be filled by a member of the University Faculty (including emeriti)
3-year term, renewable up to 5 years.

The Dean represents the interests of the faculty to the Trustees and the Administration as well as to students, employees, and alumni. Conversely, it is the responsibility of the Dean to ensure that the faculty is fully informed about campus issues and the concerns of each university constituency. [Detailed Job Description](#)

Faculty Elections Cont'd

University Faculty Committee

2 vacancies to be filled by a member of the University Faculty (including emeriti), 3 year appointment, [details](#)

Nominations and Elections Committee

3 vacancies to be filled by members of the University Faculty (including emeriti), 3-year appointment, [details.](#)

Senator-at-Large

4 vacancies (3 for assistant professors, 1 for tenured faculty), 3-year appointment

Faculty of CIS → Ann S. Bowers College of CIS

The name is in recognition of Ann Bower's generosity, service, and professional accomplishments. [More](#)

She is the fourth most generous donor to the Ithaca Campus ever, over \$100M.

CIS Faculty Vote on the name change:

Yes = 96

No = 0

DNV = 8

Background

FCIS was formed in 1999, essentially by making the Department of Computer Science a separate administrative unit outside of the College of Engineering with its own Dean.

Since then it has become a 3-department unit: (Computer Science, Information Science, Statistics and Data Science) with a large number of undergraduate majors. [More](#)

CIS Runs Majors for Various Admitting Colleges

	Students Enrolled	CIS Majors	CS Majors	IS Majors	SDS Majors
Arts and Sciences	4478	774	465	224	85
Engineering	3125	805	745	60	
CALS	2815	203		203	108
Business	1665	11		11	
Human Ecology	1181				
ILR	986				
AAP	499				
	14743	1793	1210	498	85

Keep in mind: Double majors and unaffiliated students, e.g., freshman in certain colleges.

Joint with CALS

What Changes?

No change in how any CIS-run degree program is managed.

No change in the handling of tenure cases:

CS: CIS Dean + Engineering Assoc Dean

IS: CIS Dean + Arts Senior Assoc Dean

SDS: CIS Dean + Arts Senior Assoc Dean

No change in how tuition dollars are distributed via the “60-40” budget model. (The budget model still allocates well over \$15M to those colleges that enroll the 1700+ CIS majors.)

Senate Engagement Issues

The gift is contingent on the renaming and required confidentiality, but there are no other requirements or changes to current academic procedures or policies associated with this gift. The new college will not become an admitting unit associated with this gift, although that possibility is open in the future if the university so decides. Finally, while CIS goes from a “Faculty” to a “College,” there are no changes in academic focus or other cross college issues involved.

For all these reasons the UFC unanimously agreed that it was fine to simply announce this transition in naming without formal Senate engagement. The UFC also reaffirmed the importance of the Senate being involved in any decision that would lead to CIS becoming an admitting college.

-- Dec 17 email to Senate from the Provost and the DoF

Discussion of Announcement Items