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## Message from the Senate Executive Committee

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Thu, Sep 15, 2011 at 11:23 AM

***This announcement comes from the members of the Senate Executive Committee. Please direct any questions or comments to Dr. Clara Krug.***

***Thank you.***

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## University-Wide Faculty Pathways to Success Study Group

Provost Ted Moore has requested this timely, strategic study group. Its members will examine closely and assess the long-range professional and financial implications of establishing various faculty pathways to success at Georgia Southern University.

The study group will have 12 members:

- Two current members of the Faculty Senate, selected by the Senate Executive Committee (SEC)
- Eight faculty members, one per academic unit, representing each college and the library
- One dean
- One department chair

Dean Mike Smith (CLASS) will serve. Provost Moore will ask the deans in the seven other units to nominate a department chair to serve on this study group. Nominees should be involved in research. From these nominees, the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) will select one department chair.

The SEC will select two current members of the Faculty Senate.

Faculty members in each academic unit may nominate colleagues in their own unit for membership. After verifying that a nominee is willing to serve, the faculty member will **submit that nomination to Clara Krug**, Chair of the SEC, by **October 14, 2011, at 5:00 p.m.** An interested faculty member may also nominate himself/herself. The SEC will choose one member from each unit.

In selecting members of the Faculty Senate and members of each academic unit, the SEC will include:

1. At least one member who teaches courses in Area A of the core curriculum.
2. Faculty members with strong research interests.
3. Faculty members with strong teaching interests.
4. Faculty members with strong career-appropriate service interests.
5. Tenure-track and tenured Assistant Professors, Associate Professors, and Professors.

If a colleague nominates a member of the Faculty Senate to represent his/her unit, it is possible that more than two senators will serve on the study group.

The study group members will elect their chair. Neither Dean Smith nor the department chair will be eligible to serve in that capacity.

Dean Smith will provide each member of the study group with the following documents:

1. A College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS) working draft (May 11, 2011), "Equitable Workloads, Performance Criteria, and Standards Policy."
2. Models from other units at Georgia Southern University.
3. Existing policies at other universities from across the United States that

members of CLASS gathered when working on this draft policy.

The study group will make recommendations to Provost Moore.

The members of the Senate Executive Committee look forward to helping constitute this important study group.

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