

October 26, 2023

To: Andrea Kasko, Chair, UCLA Academic Senate
From: Catherine Sugar, Chair, Undergraduate Council
Re: **(Systemwide Senate Review) Proposed Revisions to Senate Bylaw 55 (Departmental Voting Rights)**

At its meeting on October 20, 2023, the Undergraduate Council discussed the systemwide Senate review of the proposed revisions to Senate Bylaw 55 (Departmental Voting Rights) to provide Teaching Professors / Senior Lecturers SOE with departmental voting rights.

Members expressed support for the proposed revisions. While one member noted that certain tenure-track faculty may be opposed to the bylaw change, most felt strongly that the proposed revisions represent an important and positive step towards valuing the voices of all colleagues who contribute to the University's academic mission.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. If you have any questions, please contact me via the Undergraduate Council analyst, Julia Nelsen, at jnelsen@senate.ucla.edu.

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