

Annual Report of the Faculty Senate Committee on Admissions 2022-2023

2022-2023 Committee Members

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS	Department	Service Ends
<u>Elected</u>		
Nathan Huynh (Chair until Dec 2022)	Civil and Environmental Engineering	(2023)
Laura Herbert (Chair beginning Jan 2023)	Nursing	(2024)
Market Kubickova	Hotel, Restaurant, And Tourism	(2023)
George Roy	Education	(2025)
Orgul Ozturk	Business	(2025)
<u>Appointed</u>		
Scott Verzyl, ex-officio, Secretary	Admissions	
Sandra Kelly / Lara Lomicka Anderson	Provost's Office	(2024)
Ozgur Ince	Finance	(2023)
Sabrina Habib	Journalism and Mass Communications	(2024)
Christopher Holcomb	Arts and Sciences	(2025)

During the 2022-2023 academic year, the committee met three times:

- September 20, 2022
- November 9, 2022
- July 21, 2023

Attached is a summary of key updates and actions.

**USC Faculty Senate
Committee on Admissions Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 20, 2022**

The meeting was conducted via Microsoft Teams and was called to order at 1:00pm. A quorum was present. Committee Members in attendance:

In attendance:

Nathan Huynh, Chair, College of Engineering & Computing (2023)
Marketa Kubickova, HRSM (2023)
Laura Herbert, College Of Nursing (2024)
Orgul Ozturk, DMSB (2025)
Sandra Kelly, Office Of The Provost (2023)
Tarek Shazly, College of Engineering & Computing (2022)
Scott Verzyl, ex officio, Secretary, Undergraduate Admissions (2023)

Not In Attendance:

Christopher Holcomb, Arts & Sciences (2025)
George Roy, College of Education (2025)
Ozgur Ince, DMSB 2023)
Sabrina Habib, Information and Communications (2024)

Items of Business:

- 1) The committee discussed two items previously approved: revised behavioral/criminal infractions policy and updated admissions requirements for Carolina Online. These items are on the October 5 agenda for approval by the full Faculty Senate.
- 2) The committee approved indefinitely adopting the test-optional admissions policy. Undergraduate Admissions will continue to provide updates and analysis on student outcomes related to this policy.
- 3) The committee discussed the merits and impact of college rankings, such as US News and World Report.
- 4) The committee elected Laura Herbert to take over as chair of the committee, effective January 2023.
- 5) Membership of the committee will be confirmed by the Faculty Senate and the next meeting will be scheduled for late November.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Verzyl, Secretary, ex-officio

On October 5, 2023, the Committee on Admissions brought two items to the Faculty Senate for consideration:

Item #1: a change to the admission policy:

- There is a recommendation to change the policy on Behavioral/Criminal Infractions Policy for students who are applying to the Carolina Online program. UofSC no longer offers the Carolina Online program. The change is to remove the wording “Carolina Online” and revert to the original policy that refers to all students. UofSC still has online programs the existing program will apply to online programs as well.

The change to the Behavioral/Criminal Infractions Policy was voted on and approved.

Item #2: change to admission requirements for Carolina Online

- Carolina Online no longer exists. The university is moving forward with using University of South Carolina Online Programs and leverage existing processes, not separate processes, to expand online program offerings. As a result, the policies that reference Carolina Online need to be revised.

The change to the Admission Requirements was voted on and approved.

USC Faculty Senate
Committee on Admissions Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 9, 2022

The meeting was conducted via Microsoft Teams and was called to order at 1:00pm. A quorum was present. Committee Members in attendance:

Committee Members in Attendance:

Nathan Huynh, Chair, Civil and Env Engineering (2023)
Marketa Kubickova, College of HRSN - HRTM (2023)
George Roy, Instructor & Techer Education (2025)
Tarek Shazly, Mechanical Engineering (2022)
Scott Verzyl, ex officio, Undergraduate Admissions Representative (2023)
Sabrina Habib, Sch of Journalism & Mass Communication (2024)
Ozgur Ince, Finance (2023)
Christopher Holcomb, English (2025)

Committee Members Not in Attendance:

Laura Herbert, College of Nursing (2024)
Orgul Ozturk, Economics (2025)
Sandra Kelly, Office of The Provost (2023)

Guests:

Aaron Marterer (Guest), University Registrar
Elizabeth Orehovec (Guest), Executive Director of Undergraduate Admissions

Items of Business:

1) Cambridge Exam Credit Policy – Scholastic Standards and Petitions Referral – Aaron Marterer
APPROVED by Committee and add to Faculty Senate agenda for January 2023.

2) Readmission Policy Update Recommendations from General Counsel – Scott Verzyl

Bring official language to next meeting for committee approval.

3) Test Optional plan needs to be approved by Faculty Senate once Official Data is complete. Add to agenda for Faculty Senate for January 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Verzyl, Secretary, ex-officio

**USC Faculty Senate
Committee on Admissions Meeting Minutes
Friday, July 21, 2023**

The meeting was conducted via Microsoft Teams and was called to order at 1:00pm. A quorum was present. Committee Members in attendance:

Elected

[Laura Herbert](#), Chair, College Of Nursing, College Of Nursing (2024)

[Orgul Ozturk](#), Darla Moore School Of Business, Economics (2025)

[Deepak Bhare](#), School Of Medicine Columbia, Mdc Path-micro-immunology (2026)

[Julie Sease](#), College Of Pharmacy, College Of Pharmacy (2026)

Appointed

[Richard Verzyl](#), Secretary, ex officio, Enrollment Management

Lara Lomicka Anderson, Office of The Provost (2023)

Guest

Donna K Arnett, Provost

Order of Business

- 1) Call to order and Welcome – Chair Herbert
- 2) Overview of Presidential Initiatives – Provost Arnett
- 3) Call for Motion – VP Verzyl made the following motion:

I move that the committee endorse the presidential initiative to announce publicly that, starting with the Fall 2024 freshman application cycle, all residents of South Carolina who are ranked in the top ten percent of their high school graduating class will be admitted to USC-Columbia [provided they are otherwise admissible and subject to additional conditions as described and discussed]

- 4) After discussion and questions, the motion was unanimously passed. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:26pm

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Verzyl, Secretary, ex-officio