Faculty Senate Task Force on the Status of Shared Governance

The UF Faculty Senate Chair charges the FSTFSSG with preparing a report that reviews the status of shared governance practices and procedures at the University, college, and unit levels and makes recommendations where advised. Since shared governance policies at the University of Florida have not been reviewed for more than 15 years, and the university has become a Top 5 public university during that time, the Faculty Senate seeks to ensure that shared governance policies and practices at UF are comparable to those of our peer institutions.

In particular, the chair asks the task force to

- Compare UF shared governance policies and procedures with those of our peer institutions, including the University of Michigan, the University of North Carolina, the University of Virginia, Georgia Institute of Technology, and the University of Texas
- Review the implementation of recommendations made in the university’s [2006 Report of the Faculty Senate-President Task Force on the Implementation of Shared Governance Structure](#)
- Review the implementation of recommendations made in the [2003 Report of the Faculty Senate-President Joint Task Force on Shared Governance](#)
- Survey unit/college faculty leadership for any recommendations to further enhance shared governance at the unit level
- Evaluate the effectiveness of university-level shared governance practices and procedures and their implementation
- Evaluate university-level adherence to state and institutional regulations regarding shared governance

The task force may make recommendations to the Senate to

- Affirm current practices and procedures and their implementation
- Strengthen current practices and procedures and their implementation
- Create new practices and procedures to improve shared governance

The task force should submit a report to the Faculty Senate Chair no later than May 31, 2023.