

Fall 2017 Request from the Faculty Senate

The Faculty Senate is committed to developing a better and fairer system to evaluate teaching. We are thus requesting that the Committee on Excellence in Teaching return to the analysis and recommendations of the Committee on the Comprehensive Evaluation of Teaching, with the goal of doing three things:

- (1) developing university-wide guidelines for how student evaluations are best used in the evaluation of faculty for the purposes of merit and tenure and promotion;
- (2) assessing the current student evaluation tool to determine if a revision is required, including to determine whether it is appropriate as an online tool (two schools currently use online evaluations, and other colleges are considering it); and
- (3) identifying alternate methods of evaluating teaching effectiveness, paying particular attention to disciplinary differences.