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**Faculty Decanal Structure**

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1. Each Faculty's decanal structure shall continue to include, not only a Dean of the Faculty, but also one or more Associate Deans and, if deemed advisable by the Faculty, one or more Assistant Deans. The establishment of each Associate or Assistant Dean position, together with any additional functional descriptions to be included in the title (e.g. Studies, External, Academic), shall be approved by Senate and the Board of Governors.
2. Associate Deans shall be drawn from the ranks of faculty and appointed by the Senate and the Board of Governors, normally for five-year renewable terms, on the recommendation of an Ad Hoc Senate-approved Selection Committee chaired by the Faculty Dean.
3. Assistant Dean positions shall be filled normally by faculty members for a limited renewable term but, in some cases, by senior professional staff members, and Faculty Deans shall be enabled to appoint suitable candidates to these positions, any such appointments to be reported for information to the Senate and the Board of Governors.