

STUDENT MEDIA BOARD

Purpose:

The purpose of this Board is to safeguard the First Amendment rights of student-created media, to serve as a bridge between student-created media and the community, and to bring administrative unity to student-controlled media.

Charge:

The Student Media Board shall:

- Advise student media staff on establishing operational and administrative procedures.
- Encourage responsible and ethical professional behavior among all students involved in media.
- Review and approve recommendations for the chief editor or manager for each medium made by student media advisors.
- Give constructive feedback to student-controlled media producers.
- Arbitrate unresolved issues regarding student media performance.
- Review and forward annual budget proposals from student-controlled media to funding agencies.

Membership Guidelines and Appointment:

The Board is comprised of 12 voting members. Each serves a two-year appointment, beginning at the start of the academic year. Membership shall include:

- A committee chair selected by the university president from among all full-time faculty members. The chair will generally refrain from voting except in rare cases.
- A full-time faculty member representing the Department of Communication recommended by the chairperson of that department.
- A full-time faculty member representing the English Department recommended by the chairperson of that department.
- A full-time faculty member recommended by the Faculty Senate. (This person need not be a member of the Faculty Senate and should not be from either the English or Communication faculty).

- A representative of the Student Affairs Office recommended by the Vice President for Student Affairs.
- A representative of the student body recommended by Student Government.
- Five additional student members drawn from student-controlled media and recommended by the student media advisor, representing the diversity of student-controlled media.
- One representative from the professional news media, recommended by the Journalism Division Director.
- Advisers of student media are ex-officio, non-voting members and work closely with the Student Media Board.

Membership Terms:

Two years

Reporting Requirements:

Minutes will be recorded and filed in the office of the university president and submitted to committee members. A brief annual report will be prepared each June by the committee chairperson and filed in the office of the university president.

Membership Roster (2019-20)

This committee is no longer active