

Call for Nominations: Open Position for the 2021-2022 OCL Student Representative Committee

In Rossier, governance committees represent major degree programs and are responsible for implementing the Dean's annual charges to the faculty and make recommendations to the Dean on curricular and programmatic issues. Three operative principles guide the governance committees:

1. Academic (degree and credential) programs are central to the governance structure;
2. Decisions about fiscal and administrative efficiencies are based on how effectively academic and student support services contribute to academic programs' performance; and
3. Goals, measures and benchmarks, identified by USC, the Rossier School of Education School's Strategic Plan and accreditation agencies are used to judge the effectiveness of both the design and operation of the school.

The governance structures provide a forum for multiple constituents to discuss and recommend changes needed in policy, procedures and job descriptions related to structure. In addition, governance committees provide two-way communication links among various units (e.g., degree programs, credentialing, concentrations, research and services), committees (e.g., EdD, Ph.D., and Masters), and constituent groups (e.g., faculty, staff, students, alumni).

The primary responsibility of the **OCL Student Representative Committee** is to serve as a consultative body to the OCL Program Governance Committee to represent student's perspectives, interests, and priorities related to forwarding our mission of equity, including priorities related to promoting racial equity and disrupting anti-Blackness in the OCL Program.

This is a volunteer position.

Responsibilities

- Commitment to solicit input from other students in the program regarding student experiences in the program, particularly as it relates to the [school's mission](#) and strategic program priorities each year into the OCL program.
- Participate as student member at three online OCL Governance Committee meetings
 - March 21, 2022, 5:00 - 6:00pm PST
 - April 18, 2022, 4:00 - 5:00pm PST
 - May 9, 2022, 4:00 - 5:00pm PST
- Participate in working groups and student group meetings as needed. In the past year, student members have participated on average in 4-6 outside working group meetings within a year.

Term Commitment

The following term guidelines have been established in order to create a staggered, rotational membership among the student representatives, and to support ongoing and sustained engagement of the OCL student body in the OCL governance process.

- The appointment for this position will begin in March 2022 and continue until May 2022.

- After the end of this first term, elected student representatives, who are not yet at degree conferral have the option to continue as a student representative for one additional academic year (e.g., August 2022 - May 2023). We understand an individual's capacities change over the course of the program, so students do not need to decide on whether they will stay on for an additional term until May 2023.
 - Therefore, students elected this term commit to serve from March 2022 - May 2022, and have an option to extend their term for another academic year (August 2022-May 2023)
- Student participation in this committee concludes with degree conferral, even if it occurs prior to the end of their elected term. Elections will be held to replace outgoing student representatives at the next subsequent election.

Qualifications

Qualified representatives will be...

- A current student in the OCL Program.
- Willing to learn USC, Rossier, and OCL program structures, policies, and processes.
- Willing to work with the other student committee representatives and to communicate with the other students in the program
- Committed to forwarding the USC Rossier mission of equity, including priorities related to promoting racial equity and Rossier's goal to provide learning experiences that adequately prepare our students to understand and counter interpersonal, institutional and structural racism.

Nominations and Selection

To nominate yourself or others, please use the following link:

https://usc.qualtrics.com/ife/form/SV_agywZrC1eqUSOyi

Nominations close on Friday, March 11, 2022 at 11:59 pm PST. A separate link will be sent to you for voting in a special election, once the nomination window closes.

Self-nominations are open to all current OCL students. All current OCL students will then have the opportunity to vote for one representative to fill the current open position.