



Palmetto College Campuses - Faculty Senate Membership August 2024 to August 2025

Faculty Senate Executive Committee

| Position | Name | Campus |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Chair | Steven Lownes | Union |
| Chair Elect | NA | |
| Secretary | Carmela Gottesman | Salkehatchie |
| Member-at-Large | Sami Varjosaari | Sumter |
| Member-at-Large | Shelley Jones | Columbia |
| Member-at-Large | | |
| Past Chair | Andy Yingst | Lancaster |
| Faculty Senate Manual Liaison | Kajal Ghoshroy | Sumter |
| Office of the Associate Provost | Walt Collins | |
| Office of the Chancellor | Susan Elkins | |
| Chair of Faculty Welfare | Katie Klik | |
| Chair of Rights and Responsibilities | Andrew Kettler | |
| Chair of System Affairs | Jerrod Yarosh | |

Local Campus Faculty Organizations

Faculty Chair

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Chris Nesmith | Dana Lawrence | Fidele Ngwane | Andy Kunka | Andrew Pisano |

Vice Chair

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|
| N/A | Li Cai | N/A | Jessica Freyermuth | Avery Fouts |

Faculty Secretary

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
| N/A | McKenzie Lemhouse | Stephanie Sanders | Vincent Frontero | Gale Ashmore |

Local Campus Welfare and Grievance Committee

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|---------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Shelley Jones | Annette Golonka | Allen Kanapala | Not elected | Christine Sixta Rinehart |
| | Elizabeth Easley | David Dangerfield | Not elected | |
| | Jill Castiglia | | Not elected | |
| | Evan Nooe | | NA | |

PCC Faculty Senate Committees

PCC Faculty Senate Delegation (Standing Committee: 3-Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| R. Mac Jones / 2027 | Claudia Heinemann-Priest / 2027 | David Cherry / 2027 | Soumyadip Acharyya / 2026 | Andrew Kettler / 2026 |
| Matt Rashotte / 2027 | Brittany Taylor-Driggers / 2027 | Justin Mogilski / 2026 | Sher Chhetri / 2027 | Tekla Johnson / 2025 |
| Chris Nesmith / 2025 | Stephen Criswell / 2026 | Kirsten Iden / 2025 | Blane DaSilva / 2027 | Katie Klik / 2025 |
| | Jerrod Yarosh / 2026 | | Kajal Ghoshroy / 2026 | David Mitra / 2027 |
| | Deborah Rowell / 2025 | | Hayes Hampton / 2025 | |
| | Kim Richardson / 2025 | | Andrew Kunka / 2025 | |
| | Sahar Aghasafari / 2025 | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

PCC Faculty Senate Alternates (Standing Committee: 3-Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Patrick Saucier / 2025 | Nahid Swails / 2025 | Francis Burns / 2026 | Chris Defossez / 2025 | Andrew Pisano / 2025 |
| | Evan Nooe / 2025 | John Peek / 2026 | Tania Hazra / 2025 | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

PCCFS Rights and Responsibilities Committee

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|
| Matt Rashotte | Brittany Taylor-Driggers | Justin Mogilski | Andrew Kunka | Andrew Kettler (Chair) |
| | Claudia Heinemann-Priest | | Sher Chhetri | |
| | | | | |

PCCFS Welfare Committee

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|---------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Chris Nesmith | Deborah Rowell | David Cherry | Hayes Hampton (Co-Chair) | David Mitra |
| | Sahar Aghasafari | | Soumyadip Acharyya | Katie Klik (So-Chair) |
| | | | | |

PCCFS System Affairs Committee

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| R. Mac Jones | Jerrod Yarosh (Chair) | Kirsten Iden | Blane DaSilva | Tekla Johnson |
| | Stephen Criswell | | Kajal Ghoshroy | |
| | Kim Richardson | | | |

PCCFS Research and Productive Scholarship Committee (Special Committee: Staggered 2-Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Matt Rashotte / 2024 (Chair) | Jerrod Yarosh / 2026 | Yasmina Vellejos-Moreno/ 2025 | Sami Varjosaari / 2026 | Katie Klik / 2025 |
| | Stephen Criswell / 2025 | Justin Mogilski / 2026 | Hayes Hampton / 2025 | Tekla Johnson / 2025 |
| | | | | |

PCC Academic Advisory Committee (Appointed Members)

| Role | Name | Term Expiration |
|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Director of BLS/BOL (Chair) | Steve Lowe | N/A |
| Chancellor's Appointee | TBD | |
| Chancellor's Appointee | TBD | |
| Chancellor's Appointee | TBD | |
| Associate Dean | TBD | |
| Associate Dean | TBD | |

PCC Academic Advisory Committee (Special Committee: Staggered 2-Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Julia Elliott / 2025 | Jerrod Yarosh / 2026 | Carmela Gottesman / 2025 | Kristina Grob / 2025 | Emily Schafer / 2025 |

PCC Policy Advisory Committee (Special Committee: 1-Year Term)

| Title | Name |
|--|------------------|
| Office of the Associate Provost | Walt Collins |
| Office of the Chancellor | Susan Elkins |
| Chair of Faculty Welfare | Katie Klik |
| Chair of Rights and Responsibilities | Andrew Kettler |
| Chair of System Affairs | Jerrod Yarosh |
| Human Resources | Victoria Hollins |
| Division of Information Technology | Bob Dyer |
| Dean for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion | Ron Cox |
| SACSCOCS | Mike Sonntag |
| Office of General Counsel | |

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------|--------------|
| R. Mac Jones | Sarah Sellhorst | David Dangerfield | | Gale Ashmore |
| | | | | |

*S denotes the student member which serves on a campus for one year.

Provost's PCC Advisory Committee (Special Committee: Staggered 2-Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Shelley Jones / 2026 | Andy Yingst / 2026 | Sarah Miller / 2025 | Andrew Kunka / 2026 | Andrew Kettler / 2025 |
| | Stephen Criswell / 2025 | TBD / 2026 | Kristina Grob / 2025 | Lee Morris / 2025 |
| | | | | |

Columbia Faculty Senate Delegation (Standing Committee of the PCC Faculty - 3 Year Term, 10% Faculty Voting)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Julia Elliott / 2027 | Stephen Campbell / 2027 | Ahron Mack / 2025 | Mary Ellen Bellanca / 2026 | Gale Ashmore / 2025 |
| | Deborah Rowell / 2027 | Allen Kanapala / 2026 | Pearl Fernandes / 2026 | |
| | Li Cai / 2026 | | Dan Kiernan / 2025 | |
| | Nahid Swails / 2026 | | | |
| | Jerrod Yarosh / 2025 | | | |
| | Amy Gerald / 2025 | | | |

Columbia Faculty Senate Committee on Libraries (Columbia FS: 3 Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------|
| R. Mac Jones / 2026 | | | | |

Columbia Faculty Senate Committee on Curricula and Courses (Columbia FS: 3 Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------|-------|
| | | Allan Kanapala / 2025 | | |

Columbia Faculty Senate Committee on Faculty Welfare (Columbia FS: 3 Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------------------|
| | | | | Katie Klik / 2025 |

Columbia Faculty Senate Academic Excellence and Student Experience
Columbia FS - Nominee Recommended to President (Typically PCCFS Chair) - 1 Year Term

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------|---------------------|
| | | | | Steve Lownes / 2025 |

Columbia Faculty Senate Committee on Instructional Development (Columbia FS - 3 Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|--------------------|--------------|--------|-------|
| | Andy Yingst / 2025 | | | |

Columbia Faculty Senate Special Committee - Conflict of Interest (Columbia FS - 3 Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------|
| | | TBD | | |

Columbia Faculty Senate - System Faculty Leadership Council (Columbia FS - 1 Year Term)

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------|
| | | | | |

PCC Tenure and Promotion Committees

Local Campus Tenure and Promotion Committee or Third-Review Committee

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|-------------|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| TBD - FP | Peter Seipel - AP | Conrad Mehlenbacher - FP | Mary Ellen Bellanca - FP (Chair) | Avery Fouts - AP (Chair) |
| | Rebecca Freeman - AP | Eran Kilpatrick - FP | David Decker - AP | Emily Schafer - AP |
| | Elizabeth Easley - AP | Sarah Miller - FP | Kajal Ghoshroy - FP | Steven Lownes - AP |
| | Nicholas Lawrence - FP | Wei-Kai Lai - FP | Kristina Grob - AP | |
| | Steven Campbell - FP | Carmela Gottesman - AP | Hayes Hampton - FP | |
| | Sarah Sellhorst - FP | Bryan Love - AP | Rebecca Hillman - FP | |
| | | Fidele Ngwane - FP | Andrew Kunka - FP | |
| | | Rod Steward - AP | Damien Picariello - AP | |
| | | David Dangerfield - AP | Hennie Van Bulck - FP | |
| | | Justin Mogilski - AP | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

PCC Tenure and Promotion Committee

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Mary Hjelm - FP | Susan Cruise - AP | Eran Kilpatrick - FP | Park Bucker - FP | Andrew Pisano - AP |
| Julia Elliott - FP | Annette Golonka - FP | David Dangerfield - AP | Pearl Fernandes - FP | Emily Schafer - AP |

PCC Grievance Committee

| PC Columbia | Lancaster | Salkehatchie | Sumter | Union |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Shelley Jones | Andy Yingst | Carmela Gottesman | Wanda Fenimore | Christine Sixta Rinehart |

**FP Denotes Full Professor, AP Denotes Associate Professor*