

**Amendment to add a permanent committee on Community Relations**

**Section V: Committees**

1. The Committee on Gender Relations shall address undergraduate student needs concerning issues of gender and the development of women's resources and make appropriate recommendations to the Senate.
2. The Committee on Diversity Affairs shall address issues of multiculturalism and diversity and make appropriate recommendations to the Senate. In order to accomplish this goal, the Chair(s) of the Committee on Diversity Affairs must attend the monthly Diversity Council of Notre Dame (DCND) meetings. They must also have a meeting with the Director of Multicultural Student Programs and Services (MSPS) once monthly.
3. The Committee on Academic Affairs shall address undergraduate student needs as they relate to the academic affairs of the university and make appropriate recommendations to the Senate. The Academic Delegate shall serve as a non-voting member of the Academic Affairs Committee.
4. The Committee on University Affairs shall address concerns and issues pertinent to the mission of the University of Notre Dame. This Committee shall make appropriate recommendations to the Senate.
5. The Committee on Residence Life shall address undergraduate student needs in all areas of residence life and make appropriate recommendations to the Senate.
6. The Committee on Oversight shall monitor the transition, internal review, and overall process of the Student Union as outlined in this Constitution and make appropriate recommendations to the Senate.
7. **The Committee on Community Relations shall address the relations between the student body and the residents of the Michiana area as it works to build a lasting relationship between the two groups. This committee will serve as a liaison between students and the South Bend community while working to ensure that the Notre Dame student body plays an active role in community life.**
8. Committee membership and size shall be determined at the discretion of the Chairperson of the Senate.
  - a. Each Senator shall serve on at least two committees of the Senate unless the Senator is a Senate representative to the Campus Life Council or Council of Representatives, in which case the Senator is only required to serve on one committee.
  - b. Senators serving on both the Campus Life Council and Council of Representatives will still be required to serve on at least one standing committee.
  - c. Committee chairs shall not be required to serve on committees other than the one they chair.
  - d. The Student Body President may appoint members to each committee via application to the Student Body President. These appointed committee members will not be able to make motions or vote at general Senate meetings.
  - e. Committee membership shall also be open to the entire student body. Any volunteers to Senate committees shall not have voting privileges at general Senate meetings.
9. Ad Hoc Committees
  - a. The Student Body President may create ad hoc committees addressing special student interests as long as one senator agrees to sit on that committee.

- b. The Student Body President shall nominate a chairperson for each ad hoc committee.
  - c. The Student Body President may disband any ad hoc committee at any given time.
10. The appointed chairpersons of the six standing Senate committees and any Ad Hoc committee chairpersons shall also be members of the Executive Policy Board.
  11. All standing and ad hoc committees shall meet at least once every two weeks during the regular academic year.