The University System of Georgia Faculty Council (USGFC) is an advisory board for the Chancellor of the University System of Georgia. USGFC members represent all institutions within the USG. The Council meets two times per year.

Georgia College’s Presiding Officer Elect serves as the institution’s voting representative on the USGFC for a one-year term of service. An elected faculty senator is elected to serve as the institution’s second representative with a two-year term.

Self-nominations shall be accepted only from elected faculty senators with two years remaining on their term of service. Only elected faculty senators shall be eligible to vote. The nomination and election process ideally takes place in the spring for a fall term of service; however, it may occur in the fall if no representative is elected in the spring; but the election must take place well in advance of the fall USGFC meeting.

**Election Procedures:**

The election will be coordinated by the Chair of the Subcommittee on Nominations.

1. Call for self-nomination: Send nominations to alex.blazer@gcsu.edu

* Nominations open – September 13, 2017
* Nominations close – September 18, 2017

2. Confirmation of nominations

* Eligibility to serve on USGFC is confirmed by Subcommittee on Nominations (SCoN).

3. Voting

* Voting method: authenticated electronic vote – secret ballot
* Voting opens – October 16, 2017
* Voting ends – October 20, 2017

4. Results

* The candidate receiving the most votes will be declared the USGFC Representative.
* In the event of a tie, the winner will be selected through a blind draw.
* Election Results will be announced to the University Senate by November 2, 2017.

**Replacement Procedures:**

If the USGFC Representative needs to be replaced during his or her term of service, the candidate who received the second highest number of votes in the election will be contacted to determine his or her willingness to serve. If necessary, the candidate who received the third highest number of votes will be contacted. This process will continue until either a candidate in the prior election agrees to serve or all candidates in the prior election decline to serve. If none of the candidates from the prior election wishes to serve, a replacement election will be conducted.