

Academic and Student Affairs Subcommittee (ASA)

Current statement on the web:

- *Responsible for faculty input on policy and regulations pertaining to the students and academics*
- *Prepare, for Senate approval, any related additions or changes to regulations or policy*

Draft of new statement:

Rationale. The Faculty Senate's Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) subcommittee serves to coordinate faculty efforts to enhance the University's educational mission and to support the intellectual and personal development of our students.

Charge. The ASA subcommittee focuses on the educational environment at Lehigh University and how such an environment impacts student development. Matters related to the educational environment may be referred to ASA by its members, by other Senators, by the Senate Executive Committee (EC), or by administration, faculty, students, or staff. These matters may be proactive to incorporate best practices for enhancing the educational environment or responsive to university policy changes that may inadvertently affect student development. ASA works closely with the Graduate and Research Committee (GRC) and the Educational Policy Committee (Ed. Pol.) on curriculum issues. ASA also works with the Faculty Committee on Student Life on student development issues. ASA may request information from the administration to clarify practices and policies that affect our students.

Operation. The ASA subcommittee consults broadly with Lehigh administrators and the faculty at large, as well as those Senate and University standing committees concerned with areas relevant to education and student development, most particularly with the Graduate and Research Committee, Education Policy Committee, and the Faculty Committee on Student Life.

Membership. Core membership of the ASA subcommittee consists of at least three members of the Faculty Senate. The Chair of the ASA subcommittee will be a Senator serving on the EC. The chairs of GRC, Ed. Pol., and Student Life (or their delegate) serve as ex officio member of ASA and Senators from the ASA subcommittee (or a Senator delegate) can serve as an ex officio member on these standing committees.

Outcomes. The ASA subcommittee will present items to the EC for placement on the Senate agenda. The ASA subcommittee may lead or support faculty or administrative proposals and resolutions that enhance Lehigh's educational environment. A brief annual report on issues considered, and progress and suggestions toward identified goals for enhancing Lehigh's educational environment will be generated.