

## **2017-18 Committee on Committees Nominee Bios**

### **Brandin Baron-Nusbaum**

In 2016-7, I have been the Arts Division representative to COC as a one-year replacement. Because I am affiliated with Theater Arts, ART and DANM, I have a wide range of acquaintance with the Arts Division Faculty, and feel this helps represent my Division in COC discussions. The experience has been rewarding, and I would like to serve again on COC for the next two years as an elected member.

In addition to my role as the Director of Graduate Studies for the Theater Arts MA program since Fall 2015, I have also served on COR, COT and CIE.

### **Catherine (Kate) Jones**

I joined the UCSC faculty in 2007 after completing my PhD in History at Johns Hopkins University. My area of specialization is nineteenth century U.S. history, with a particular interest in the history of emancipation. I'm currently working on a new book project examining the incarceration of children in post-emancipation Virginia. In my department I have served on the graduate and undergraduate committees (the latter as chair). I have also served on search committees for history and literature. In terms of Senate service, I was assembly representative to the Senate Executive Committee (2014-15) and a member of Committee on the Library and Scholarly Communication (2015-16). I've also worked with Envision UCSC, the Smith Society, EEOP, and the Humanities Faculty Development Council. I'd welcome the opportunity to serve on COC because I'm interested in understanding the work of the faculty senate more fully and getting to know colleagues across the university. I value the work of the Senate and have been very impressed with the diligence and thoughtfulness of those who serve. I would welcome the opportunity to think about how to help committees thrive. I've also heard from previous COC members that it's simply a great group to work with...and then there are those end of year socials.

### **Raphael Kudela**

In 2016-17, I served on COC as the representative from the Physical and Biological Sciences Division. Previously I served on Graduate Council, Learning Technology Committee, and the Committee on Computing and Telecommunications.

### **Darrell Long**

I am currently serving on the Committee on Academic Freedom. I served for a number of years on RJE, and also for several years on COR, then as Vice Chair and Chair of the Systemwide Committee on Research Policy. I am currently serving on the systemwide ACSCOLI committee, which deals with the management and other issues regarding the three Department of Energy laboratories.

**Ken Pedrotti**

Since joining the UCSC Faculty in 2000, I have served as the Electrical Engineering Chair from 2007-2012, on P&T 2004-2007, as Electrical Engineering Undergraduate Director 2001-2004 and 2012-2015, and am currently serving on the Committee on Committees, reinforcing my appreciation of the critical contribution of CoC to faculty governance. My experience as EE chair during a financially challenging period highlighted the importance of creative strategic thinking and provided, along with my P&T experience, insight into University processes, shared governance, and the importance of the interpersonal aspects of smoothly functioning meetings and committees.

**Noah Wardrip-Fruin**

I'm in my ninth year at UC Santa Cruz, now in the newly-formed Computational Media department (after previously working as faculty at UC San Diego). I'm passionate about the interdisciplinary character of UCSC and have personally worked on cross-divisional efforts between Engineering and Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences. I'd like to serve on COC in order to help the Senate have strong committees with solid participation from across the campus. My previous campus service includes serving as the director of the Digital Art and New Media (DANM) MFA program, as the program faculty chair of the BS in Computer Science: Computer Game Design, and as a member of the Special Committee on Development and Fundraising of the Academic Senate.