At Michigan State University there are five Members-At-Large that represent the faculty of the entire university through the Academic Governance system. Most positions within Academic Governance serve a specific constituency (such as a college or another type of unit representative), but the Members-At-Large are elected by the entire faculty and are expected to represent the broader faculty needs, rather than just the faculty in one unit. The Members-At-Large are elected in the spring of each academic year for two-year terms of office, for a maximum of two terms. Members-At-Large terms are staggered, with two members elected one year and other three members the next year. A Member-At-Large may not serve on any university standing committee at the same time she/he serves as a Member-At-Large. One Member-At-Large will be elected by the Faculty Senate to be Chair of The Steering Committee as well as the Faculty Senate. The term of office begins with the fall semester (mid-August).

Duties:
The Members-At-Large serve as the liaison between the following groups:
- Faculty to Faculty groups
- Faculty and Administration
- Faculty and the Board of Trustees
- University Faculty and outside groups such as COIA and CIC
The Members-At-Large will identify faculty issues of concern and help the committee or other processes to address these issues.
The Members-At-Large are expected to attend all of the following meetings:
- The Steering Committee (1 time per month during the academic year)
- Faculty Senate (1 time per month during the academic year)
- University Council (1 time per month during the academic year)
- Board of Trustees meetings (usually 8 times per year)
- Other meetings as requested with members of the university community (such as administration, college faculty, Office for Academic Governance) (usually 1-2 times per month during the academic year)

Note that the Steering Committee, Faculty Senate, and University Council meet Tuesday afternoons, 3:15-5:00

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