

ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNIVERSITY

The general governance of Wayne State University is constitutionally vested in the Board of Governors, consisting of eight popularly elected members and the President of the University, who is named by the elected members. The President is the chief executive officer of the University and is charged by the Board of Governors with responsibility for its administration. For educational and administrative purposes, the University is organized into major academic units - schools, colleges, divisions, centers and institutes. The following schools, colleges and divisions constitute the heart of the University:

- Mike Ilitch School of Business
- College of Education
- College of Engineering
- College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts
- Irvin D. Reid Honors College
- Graduate School
- Law School
- College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- School of Information Sciences
- School of Medicine
- College of Nursing
- Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
- School of Social Work

The Dean of the College or School is its chief executive officer. More than half the Colleges and Schools are organized into departments or divisions, each administered by a chairperson (or head). Academic standards, curricular development, course revision and similar academic matters are the primary responsibility of the faculty and dean of the College or School, although these matters are subject to review and approval by the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and by the President and, whenever they involve major educational policy decisions, by the Academic Senate.

The Graduate School is the central unit for the supervision and encouragement of graduate work in the University and has basic responsibility for the improvement and review of existing programs and the approval of new graduate programs. Except for applicants and candidates for the Doctor of Philosophy degree, the detailed supervision of graduate students' work is conducted by the College and School and, where appropriate, by the departments.

All degrees are granted by the University through the Colleges and Schools, except that the Dean of the Graduate School, with the approval of the Graduate Council, recommends candidates for the Doctor of Philosophy degree, selected master's degrees and interdisciplinary graduate certificate programs.

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