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# UNIVERSITY OF JUSTICE (UJ)

## *Official Governance Bylaws*

Adopted: February 2026 | Effective: Immediately

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### **ARTICLE I: BOARD OF TRUSTEES (THE FIDUCIARY BODY)**

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*The Board of Trustees is the legal governing authority of the University, responsible for its long-term financial health and mission adherence.*

- § Composition: 9 to 15 members, including the President (ex-officio). Appointments are for 3-year staggered terms.
- § Authority: Approves the annual budget, hires/fires the President, and authorizes major capital expenditures and tuition rates.
- § Decision Method: Majority vote with a quorum of 50% + 1 members present (virtually or in-person).
- § Fiduciary Duty: Trustees must prioritize institutional sustainability over individual interests.

### **ARTICLE II: THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (THE ADMINISTRATIVE BODY)**

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*The President is the Chief Executive Officer, delegated by the Board to lead university operations.*

- § Executive Council: Comprised of the Provost, CFO, CTO, and Dean of Students.
- § Authority: Day-to-day management, personnel hiring (non-tenure track), marketing strategies, and technology infrastructure.
- § Emergency Powers: The President may act on behalf of the Board in 'Exigent Circumstances' with mandatory review within 72 hours.

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## ARTICLE III: THE FACULTY SENATE (THE ACADEMIC BODY)

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*The Faculty Senate holds primary responsibility for the academic integrity and curricular standards of the institution.*

- § Composition: Represented by elected full-time faculty and selected adjunct practitioners.
- § Authority: Academic policies, grading standards, degree requirements, and curriculum development.
- § Curriculum Approval: No degree-granting program shall be launched without an affirmative vote from the Faculty Senate.
- § Academic Freedom: The Senate protects the right of faculty to research and teach without interference from donors or administrators.

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## ARTICLE IV: DECISION MATRIX (SHARED GOVERNANCE)

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*To ensure transparency, the following matrix defines the 'Primary Approval Authority' for institutional actions.*

<b>Administrative / Academic Action</b>	<b>Primary Decision Authority</b>	<b>Consultation / Input</b>
Adopting Annual Budget	<b>Board of Trustees</b>	President/CFO
Launching New Degree Program	<b>Faculty Senate</b>	Provost/Market Research
Setting Tuition & Fees	<b>Board of Trustees</b>	CFO/President
Granting Tenure/Promotion	<b>Board of Trustees</b>	Faculty Senate/Provost
IT Infrastructure Investment	<b>Executive Council</b>	CTO

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## ARTICLE V: DIGITAL GOVERNANCE & IP

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*Special provisions for our status as an online institution.*

- § **Course Content Ownership:** Content created using University resources is the property of UJ, while personal research remains the property of the Faculty member.
- § **Data Privacy:** The Board is responsible for oversight of student data protection (Compliance with global GDPR/FERPA standards).

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