

**APPLICATION FOR UNIVERSITY SENATE
STAFF REPRESENTATIVE**

REQUIREMENT: Three years of service as a full-time staff employee

Please complete this form and return it to Mary Nell Stone by January 31, 2012. You may e-mail it to her at mnstone@gsu.edu or submit it in person at the University Senate and Staff Council Offices at 125 Aderhold Learning Center.

You may include a photo of yourself (though it is not required) – if you do, it must be in digital format.

Name: David Caudill

Job Title: Assistant Director, Finance and Administration

Department: Institute of Public Health

Employment Date: March 1991 – June 1997, and March, 2000 to present

What do you think is the single most important issue for staff at Georgia State University right now?

The continuing explosive growth of the university (increased student enrollment, increased faculty hiring, ongoing expansion of university facilities, etc.) without a corresponding increase in the number of staff or staff resources supporting university operations. This is especially critical in light of the announcement that there will be no salary increases for university system staff for the 5th straight year.

How would you address that issue as a staff senator?

By continuing to advocate for the appropriate allocation of funding needed for staff salary increases, new staff hires, staff training and development, and the procurement of the equipment and supplies necessary for the university staff to effectively and efficiently perform their duties in support of the university's mission.

Please list two or three other issues that are priorities for you.

Implementing sustainability as an administrative best practice at the university level (i.e., the ongoing implementation of recycling programs, the purchase of energy efficient and water efficient equipment and fixtures, the implementation of green building design and construction practices, procurement policies that mandate the sourcing of sustainably produced office supplies and furniture, etc.)

Providing university staff with appropriate opportunities for the training and professional development necessary to be successful in their jobs and to provide for their personal career advancement.

Continuing to advocate for timely and effective communication of university management decisions and changes to university policies and procedures to allow university staff to have access to all of the information needed to effectively perform their job duties.

Which two Senate committees would you most like to serve on and why?

Budget Committee – to provide a strong voice for university staff during the annual budget process and throughout the year as budget issues are discussed and resource allocation recommendations are forwarded to the university president for his consideration.

Planning and Development Committee – to advocate for staff issues as part of the committee's role of advising the university president on university level planning decisions; and, to serve as an advocate for university staff on the Capital Budget and Space Allocation Committee (a subcommittee of the Planning and Development Committee).

Please list your service to the University:

Member of the Campus Master Plan Update Consultant Selection Committee 2012

Member of the Senate Committee on Sustainability, 2011 - 12

Member of the Senate Planning and Development Committee (P&D), 2010 - 12

Chair of the P&D Subcommittee on Sustainability, 2010 - 11

Member of the Capital Budget & Space Allocation Committee, 2010 - 12

Member of the University Senate, 2009 - 12

Chair of GSU Staff Council, 2009 - 10

As Staff Council Chair presented welcoming remarks on behalf of university staff at Dr. Mark Becker's investiture ceremony as GSU President, 2009

Member of the University Administrative Council, 2009 - 10

Member of the Fiscal Advisory Committee to the President (FACP), 2009 - 10

Chair of Staff Council Campus Sustainability Committee, 2008 - 09

Staff Council Representative, 2008 - 10

Staff Council Representative, 1992 - 93

Staff Council Vice President, 1993

Founding member and member of the planning committee of Greening Georgia State, a collaborative group of faculty, staff and students working to advance sustainability at GSU, 2008 - present

Member of the GSU Earth Day planning committee, 2009

Member of the Continuous Quality Improvement Steering Committee for the Division of Finance and Administration, 1994 -96

Member of the Board of Directors, GSU Federal Credit Union, 1994 -95

Chair of the Audit Committee, GSU Federal Credit Union, 1994 - 95

Member of the Credit Committee, GSU Federal Credit Union, 1993 - 95

Steering Committee member, GSU Bring Your Daughters to Work Day, 2003

Of all the service projects you've been involved in, which one makes you the proudest? Describe what the group accomplished and what your role was.

1. Chair of Staff Council, Member of FACP, Member of University Administrative Council, 2009 - 10. Worked diligently as Staff Council Chair to advocate on behalf of university staff throughout one of the most difficult years in GSU's history. Advocated for clear, effective and timely methods of communication to university community regarding critical university administration decisions on university budget cuts including employee reductions in force, furloughs, and changes to employee benefits.
2. Served as a member of multiple groups working to advocate for sustainability at Georgia State. Was successful in advocating for the establishment of the Staff Council Campus Sustainability Committee in 2008, and was successful in advocating for the establishment of the University Senate Committee on Sustainability in 2011.

Served as a founding member and member of the planning committee for Greening Georgia State, a collaborative group of faculty, staff and students working to advance sustainability at GSU, 2008 - present. Helped start a diverse advocacy group representing multiple facets of the university community that has successfully raised the level of awareness of sustainability issues at GSU and

continues to work to advocate for the integration of concepts and principles of sustainability into the university's normal operating processes and procedures.

Is there anything else voters should know about you?

As a GSU alumni (1990), an 18 year GSU employee, and a long time President's Society level donor to various university initiatives and departments, I am deeply invested in the success of Georgia State University as a premier urban research university. If elected to represent staff in the University Senate I will work tirelessly to represent the best interests of all Georgia State University staff members.

By submitting this application electronically or on paper, I agree that my responsibilities if elected will include:

1. Attending and participating in all University Senate meetings;
2. Attending and participating in all University Senate assignments;
3. Attending monthly Staff Council meetings and making reports of Senate activities to the council.