

## **Resolution for academic listservs to focus on academic matters**

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*Whereas* departmental email lists, as well as course email lists and Canvas, are intended solely for departmental and course-related matters, and their use for political issues—either by departmental representatives or on a personal basis—is inappropriate;

*Whereas* students have expressed concerns about the political nature of emails they receive on departmental email lists, as well as on course-related email lists and Canvas;

*Therefore, be it resolved* that the Faculty Senate reminds all professors and chairs not to use departmental email lists, nor their course email lists or Canvas, for sending emails that have political implications and are not related to the work of the department or the course;

*Be it further resolved* that the Senate requests the Dean of Faculty to send a reminder to all faculty members each semester regarding the appropriate use of such email lists.