FAS-SEAS Senate Meeting  
February 16, 2023  
3:30 PM – 5:30 PM  
In HQ276, 320 York Street  
or on Zoom

Agenda

Closed Session (3:30 PM - 4:00 PM):

- Minutes from January 19, 2023 FAS-SEAS Senate Meeting
- Senate Election 2023 (Paul Van Tassel)
- CESOF Nominations (Paul Van Tassel)

Open Session (4:00 PM - 5:30 PM):

(Senate members discuss current priorities, with an eye on future steps.)

- **Academic Freedom / Educational Gag Orders**
  Recent legislation in Florida has banned AP African American History, the latest in a series of Educational Gag Orders. What do these laws mean for academic freedom moving forward? (Jason Stanley)

- **Faculty Leave Policy**
  Yale’s leave policy is generous and broadly appreciated, but could course instruction and faculty research be enhanced through greater flexibility and fairness? (Valerie Horsley)

- **Ombuds Office at Yale**
  An Ombuds Office could offer Yale faculty, students, and staff independent, impartial, and confidential support in matters of conflict or concern. How best to build support for this proposal, and to advocate effectively to the University administration? (Jill Campbell)

- **Faculty Activism**
  Many excellent faculty-initiated proposals languish once communicated to the administration. How best to assure the most promising ideas eventually inform university policy? (Alessandro Gomez)