

SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY

THE ACADEMIC SENATE¹

San José State was the first of the California state colleges, the original State Normal School. It was also the first to have an official faculty representative body -- the Faculty Council -- through which faculty concerns could be brought to the attention of the administration.

The Faculty Council was established in 1953. In 1963 the Board of Trustees of the new State College system mandated creation of councils or senates on every campus; The Faculty Council was re

¹Please see Notes on the History of the Academic Senate San José State University by T.M. Norton, Professor of Political Science, Emeritus, September 1995, available at the Senate website.