

Admissions and Financial Aid Committee (AFAC)

**Re-Revised Agenda
Friday, October 15, 2021
10:00am - 11:30am**

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- I. Chair's Report – Abbas Ghassemi – 10:00am – 10:05am**
 - A. DivCo September 30 and October 14 Meeting
- II. Consent Calendar – 10:05am – 10:10am**
 - A. The Agenda
 - B. [September 15 Meeting Minutes](#)
- III. Consultation with Dean Dumont and Dr. Hurd – 10:10am – 10:45am**
 - A. Progress in Medical Education
- IV. Report from the Office of Admissions – Dustin Noji and Ruben Lubers – 10:45am – 10:55am**
 - A. [Approval of admissions selection process and scoring for fall 2022](#)
 - B. [Review and approval of final A by E Report](#)
- V. Students' Institutional Debts– Member Charlie Eaton - 10:55am – 11:10am**

Over 20 HBCUs and some public universities have used Biden Rescue funds to cancel these debts: <https://www.businessinsider.com/howard-university-cancels-student-debt-latest-hbcu-use-stimulus-funds-2021-8>

Requested Action: AFAC to engage in informational discussion.

- VI. Consultation with Director Ron Radney – 11:10am - 11:25am**

Materials are available, [here](#).

 - A. Adjustments to financial aid awards under the new academic activity policy
 - An updated count of how many students had their aid adjusted downward and total amount of aid expected to be returned to Dept. of Ed. Ron reported a count of 390

students at our last meeting with hopes that the count would come down further.

- Counts of how many students had their aid adjusted in each semester of 2019, 2020, and spring 2021. Ron suggested the count of 91 students who had their aid adjusted downward following the 2019 audit was low because it only involved the sampling of 250 students who had all Fs in all of their classes. It seems this further information would help us know more about the baseline prior to this policy.
- Information on what policies other UC campuses have implemented if any and how it influenced the rate of aid adjustments on those campuses

Requested Action: AFAC to formally request that DIVCO conduct a full Senate review of the new Academic Activity Policy with the possibility of recommending changes for the 2022-2023 academic year.

VII. Any Other Business – 11:25am – 11:30am

VIII. Informational items will be regularly uploaded on the “Informational Items” AFAC Box Folder: <https://ucmerced.app.box.com/folder/140193076190>