

Committee on Library & Scholarly Communication (LASC)

Monday, October 17, 2022

2:00pm – 3:30pm

I. Chair's Report – *Chair DePrano* [2:00 – 2:20pm]

- A. LASC White Paper
- B. Project Transform update
- C. LASC committee appearance at department faculty meetings as OA ambassadors
 1. OA ambassador retreat in early January

II. Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of today's agenda
- B. Approval of September 12, 2022 meeting minutes

Action requested: Approval of the Consent Calendar.

III. Campus Review Items – *Chair DePrano* [2:20 – 2:50pm]**A. Policy on the Establishment and Review of Centers**

The policy can be located on page 41 of the Establishment of Centers at UC Merced document.

The policy was revised and approved by the Committee on Research (CoR) in response to previous comments by the Chancellor, the EVC/Provost and the CFO.

The policy transmittal to DivCo includes the following documents:

- Revised Centers policy submitted to the administration by CoR in October 2021
 - Appended to that policy is former EVC/Provost Peterson's 2014 original draft policy and the Senate's 2015 comments.
- Comments on CoR's revised Centers policy from the Chancellor, EVC/Provost Camfield, and CFO Schnier received by CoR in fall 2021.
- Revised Centers policy transmitted to the administration by CoR on January 10, 2022. Comments received from EVC/Provost Camfield and CFO Schnier by CoR on January 19, 2022.

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- CoR's final Centers policy approved by CoR via email on April 21, 2022.

Action: Members will vote to approve of the final version of the memo. LASC's comments are due to the Senate Chair by 5:00pm, Friday, October 21, 2022.

B. Creation of a Philosophy Department

SSHA Dean Jeff Gilger issued a memo on April 20, 2022 in strong support of the formation of a new SSHA Philosophy (Phil) Department. This proposal was endorsed by the SSHA Executive Committee.

The lead reviewer's comments are hyperlinked in the title above.

Action: Members will vote to approve of the final version of the memo. LASC's comments are due to the Senate Chair by 5:00pm, Friday, October 21, 2022.

C. Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree in Chemical Engineering

Relevant documents for the Chemical Engineering proposal are hyperlinked below:

1. ChemE Proposal Package
2. Consensus Statement of ExComm (May 2022)
3. Actions Taken Memo (July 2022)
4. MOU between Bioengineering Department (BMCE) and Materials Science and Engineering Department (ChemE)
5. Memo of Support from Dean Mark Matsumoto
6. SoE ExComm Memo - from Vice Chair Florin Rusu and continuing member John Abatzoglou

Action: Members will discuss and provide comments on the proposal during the meeting. LASC's comments are due to the Senate Chair by 5:00pm, Tuesday, November 1, 2022.

D. Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree in Biochemical and Biomolecular Engineering

Relevant documents for the Biochemical and Biomolecular Engineering are hyperlinked below:

1. BMCE Proposal Package
2. Consensus Statement of ExComm (May 2022)
3. Actions Taken Memo (July 2022)
4. MOU between Bioengineering Department (BMCE) and Materials Science and Engineering Department (ChemE)
5. Memo of Support from Dean Mark Matsumoto
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E. Aerospace Engineering Minor Proposal

Effective 2024, the relevant documents for the Aerospace Engineering Minor are hyperlinked below.

1. Aerospace Engineering Minor proposal (Please note that the proposal starts on page 3)
2. UGC approval of undergraduate degree programs approval
3. Campus-wide Policy on Minors

Action: Members will discuss and provide comments on the proposal during the meeting. LASC's comments are due to the Senate Chair by 5:00pm, Friday, November 4, 2022.

IV. Consultation with Vice Provost and Dean, Undergraduate Education – Sarah Frey [2:50 – 3:10pm]

A. Open Educational Resources (OER) charge and affordable course content

V. Consultation with University Librarian – Haipeng Li [3:10 – 3:25pm]

1. UC-Wiley Transformative Agreement (Pilot) Implementation
2. Update on NEH Grant Project
3. IDCR (Indirect Cost Recovery) Policy - Library Exclusion

VI. Other Business [3:25 – 3:30pm]