Undergraduate Council (UGC)

Agenda Monday, October 16, 2017 2:00-4:00PM SSM 117

I. Meeting with Provost Peterson

45 min

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II. Chair's Report – Anne Zanzucchi

5 min

- A. <u>Divisional Council Meeting</u> September 25, 2017
- B. UCEP Meeting October 2, 2017
- C. October 4 Meeting with Space Planners and upcoming October 30 Space Retreat

III. Vice Chair's Report - Catherine Keske

5 min

- A. Update on <u>UGC representation on subcommittees and systemwide committees</u>
- B. PROC Meeting October 2, 2017

IV. Admissions Updates – Christopher Viney

5 min

- A. AFAS Meeting October 2, 2017
- B. BOARS Meeting October 6, 2017
- V. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of the Agenda

VI. Approval of CRFs

15 min

1 NS. 19 ENGR, and 16 SSHA

Courses are available here: https://ucmerced.box.com/s/kdx0hggko4tyz7vr6ah6l7ip9bgwjyqp

Actions Requested: UGC approves the proposed CRFs.

Senate office notifies Registrar of UGC's approval.

To guide their review of CRFs, members are encouraged to review the following policy documents:

- Procedures and Policies for Approval of New and Revised Undergraduate Courses
- CRF Style Guide
- Credit Hour Policy

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- Distance or Blended Course Approval Requests: Supplemental Questions
- New Joint CRF Management System Workflow

VII. Systemwide Review Items

10 min

A. <u>Taskforce Report on the Negotiated Salary Trial Program</u> – **Marc Beutel and Mayya Tokman** In September 2016, former UC Provost Dorr empaneled a task force comprised of UC faculty and administrators to review the Negotiated Salary Trial Program piloted at Irvine, L.A., and San Diego and to recommend whether to discontinue the program, continue it on a trial basis, or make it permanent. The taskforce recommended the program be extended for 4 more years and expanded to other campuses. CAPRA, FWAF, GC, and UGC are lead reviewers.

Action requested: UGC reviews the taskforce recommendations and send any comments to the Senate Chair by 5:00 pm on Friday, October 27.

B. <u>SR 424.A.3 area "d" requirement (laboratory science) for freshman admission</u> - Christopher Viney and Anne Zanzucchi

In January 2017, the Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools charged a faculty working group with proposing revisions to the area "d" (laboratory science) requirement, to align UC's subject area expectations more closely with the new expectations for high school science curricula based on California's adoption of the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) for K-12, which include four science categories: Physical Sciences, Life Sciences, Earth and Space Sciences, and Engineering, Technology and Applications of Science. The working group recommended revisions to Senate Regulation 424.A.3. At its July 7, 2017 meeting, BOARS unanimously approved the proposed revisions and requested a systemwide Senate review. The key revisions to Senate Regulation 424.A.3 include:

1) Increasing the minimum area "d" requirement from 2 units (3 recommended) to 3 units, while continuing to require 2 units of coursework that "provide basic knowledge in at least two of the fundamental disciplines of biology, chemistry, and physics." One unit is equivalent to a yearlong course. 2) Changing the name of the area "d" subject requirement from Laboratory Science to Science.

Lead reviewers are UGC, the SNS and the SOE Executive Committees.

All Senate Divisions have been invited to opine with comments due to the systemwide Senate by November 20, 2017. UGC's comments are due to the Senate Chair by October 27, 2017.

VIII. Campus Review Item

5 min

A. Proposed Revisions to UCM Bylaws - Anne Zanzucchi

The proposed revisions to Part II. Title III. 2. of Division Bylaws would establish a six-member reserve CAP (RCAP) as a standing committee of CAP. RCAP would review the case files of 1) current or former CAP members, i.e. members who termed off the committee in the preceding academic year, and 2) appeals by faculty members.

Action requested: UGC reviews the draft plan and sends any comments to the Senate Chair by 5:00 pm on Friday, October 27.

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