

UNIVERSITY SENATE ANNUAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2019-20

Committee Name: Academic Policies & Procedures

Number of meetings held this year: 2

Committee Chair: Eddie Guerra

Committee Members: Tejinder Billing, Douglas Cleary, Tiffany Fortunato, Eddie Guerra, Erin Herberg, Michelle Kowalsky, Kimberly Poolos, Margaret Shuff, Cindy Vitto

Purpose of/Charge to Committee:

Reviews and recommends academic policies and procedures of the University, including grading policies, academic dismissal and academic warning procedures, honors and dean's list policies

Summary of Activities this Year:

Reviewed the Incomplete portion of the Grade Policy with regard to limit on incompletes and the existence of College-level policies. Discussed the addition of the DEI statement to the Syllabus Policy. Created a draft Emeritus Faculty Policy with Associate Provost, Mariano Savelski. Reviewed addition of Academic Warning to the Undergraduate Academic Standing Policy. Met with members of DEI council to discuss how to apply Critical Policy Analysis. Reviewed interim changes to Academic Integrity Policy regarding online resources and altering forms.

SUGGESTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Suggestions:

Begin a systematic review of academic policies and procedures applying tools from DEI council such as Critical Policy Analysis.

Continue development of Emeritus Faculty Policy with Provost office.

Review interim changes to Academic Integrity Policy.

Recommendations:

Amend Syllabus Policy to include formally include DEI statement.

Amend the Grade Policy to include specific policies and procedures for incomplete grades.