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2012-2013 Annual Report of the Committee on Educational Policy

In fulfilling its charge as established in the by-laws of the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate, the Committee on Educational Policy (CEP) carried out the following activities. The chair of CEP during 2012-2013 was Professor Ronald Cohen (Chemistry, Earth and Planetary Science).

Note: items are listed chronologically in each section. Dates in parentheses, unless otherwise noted, indicate the date of committee correspondence about the item of business.

I. Reports Submitted Regarding Departmental Reviews

• Slavic Languages and Literatures
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (October 1, 2012)

• French
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (November 14, 2012)

• School of Social Welfare
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (November 14, 2012)

• Physics
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (December 4, 2012)

• Interdisciplinary Field Major
  Comments forwarded to the College of Letters and Science Executive Committee Chair Dru Dougherty (February 6, 2013)

• Economics
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (March 4, 2013)

• Mechanical Engineering
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (March 4, 2013)

II. Finished Business

A. Completed with Written Comment

• Study Abroad Advisory Committee
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (September 7, 2012)
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- Proposal for the Discontinuance of Berkeley-Columbia Executive MBA
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (October 1, 2013)

- Proposed APM 430, Visiting Scholars
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (October 1, 2013)

- Rebenching
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (October 3, 2012)

- Proposal for a Master of Information and Data Science Degree
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (February 5, 2013)

- Online Evaluation of Courses Initiative report
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (February 6, 2013)

- Sustainability Studies Major
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (February 20, 2013)

- Proposed Amendment to Senate Regulation, including to SR 478 to Accommodate “IGETC for STEM Majors”
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (April 9, 2013)

- Proposal for the Discontinuance of the joint Ph.D. degree program in Jewish Studies
  Comments forwarded to Division Chair Maslach (May 8, 2013)

B. Completed without Written Comment

- Operational Excellence – Advising Council
  Dale Masterson, Chair of Vision Working Group, Rebecca Miller, Advising Council Implementation Manager, and Heather Levien, Project/Policy Analyst attended a CEP meeting to discuss Operational Excellence’s new student services project.

- Contextual Grading
  Dean Steve Martin of Biological Sciences and Associate Executive Dean Bob Jacobsen of the College and Letters and Science for Educational Initiative attended a CEP meeting to discuss contextual grading.

- UC Education Abroad Program
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Associate Vice Provost and Executive Director of UCEAP, Jean-Xavier Guinard attended a CEP meeting to provide an update on UCEAP’s activities.

See Appendix A for a list of committees and ad hoc groups on which CEP members sat.

III. Unfinished Business

None
APPENDIX A: COMMITTEES AND AD HOC GROUPS WITH CEP REPRESENTATION

The 2012-2013 membership of CEP undertook the following service on behalf of the Committee.

- Chair Ronald Cohen (Chemistry and EPS)
  - Divisional Council
  - PROC
  - Space Allocation and Capital Improvements
  - Coordination Board for Admissions, Financial Aid, and Enrollment Management
  - French Review

- Professor Oliver Arnold (English)
  - Classics Review

- Professor Dennis Baldocchi (Environmental Science, Policy, and Management)
  - Physics Review
  - Mechanical Engineering Review

- Professor Abby Dernburg (Molecular and Cell Biology)
  - Plant and Microbial Biology Review

- Professor Daniel Farber (Law)
  - Social Welfare Review
  - Economics Review

- Professor Mark Hansen (Civil and Environmental Engineering)
  - Cal Answers Curriculum Project
  - Energy and Resource Group Review

- Professor Richard Kern (French)
  - University Committee on International Education

- Professor Karin Sanders (Scandinavian)
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- Slavic Languages and Literature Review

- Professor Nicholas Sitar (Civil and Environmental Engineering)
  - University Committee on Educational Policy
  - Operational Excellence Advising Council

- Professor Mary Ann Smart (Music)
  - Interdisciplinary Field Major (ISF) Review

- Professor Benson Tongue (Mechanical Engineering)
  - Campus Committee on Classroom Policy and Management
  - Online Course Evaluation Steering Committee

- Professor Jonathan Wurtele (Physics)
  - Optometry Review