

## Divisional Council, Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate Annual Report 2019-2020

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### List of Activities

The following summarizes Divisional Council and Divisional activities and actions for 2019-2020, including the date(s) of the action. Please refer to the Divisional Council approved minutes and communications for details.

### Academic Programs

- Forwarded comments on the academic program review of the Department of German to the vice provost for academic planning. (10/28/19)
- Forwarded comments on the academic program review of the Department of Anthropology to the vice provost for academic planning. (11/27/19)
- Forwarded comments regarding a proposal for a Master of Development Engineering (MDevEng) self-supporting graduate professional degree program to the vice provost for the faculty. (2/18/20).
- Forwarded comments on the academic program review of the Department of Comparative Literature to the vice provost for academic planning. (3/13/20)
- Forwarded comments on the academic program review of the Department of Rhetoric to the vice provost for academic planning. (3/24/20)
- Forwarded comments on the proposal to discontinue the Master of Advanced Studies in Integrated Circuits in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science to the vice provost for faculty (4/14/20)
- Forwarded comments on the academic program review of the Helen Wills Neuroscience Institute to the vice provost for academic planning. (4/29/20)
- Forwarded comments on the proposal to establish a specialization in Electronic Intelligent Systems (EIS) within the Computer Science BA degree program to the vice provost for the faculty. (5/18/20)

### Policies

- Forwarded comments regarding the proposed revised presidential policy on Native American Cultural Affiliation and Repatriation to the Chair of the Academic Council. (10/17/19)
- Approved a proposal for a new policy on auditing classes at UC Berkeley. (12/2/2019)
- Forwarded comments regarding the proposed revised presidential policy on copyright ownership to the Chair of the Academic Council. (12/3/19)
- Forwarded comments on a proposal to implement a new intermediary academic standing, referred to as “academic suspension” to the Chair of Council of Undergraduate Deans. (3/2/20)
- Approved P/NP Grading policy proposal for Spring 2020 due to COVID-19. (3/18/20)
- Endorsed and forwarded comments from the Chair of the Committee on Admissions, Enrollment and Preparatory Education regarding the elimination of the SAT/ACT essay requirement to the Chair of the Academic Council. (3/23/20)
- Drafted a distance-learning alternative policy for graduate instruction for Fall 2020 (3/25/20).
- Reviewed the Committee on Courses of Instruction’s (COCI’s) recommendations for Spring 2020 grades. (4/2/20)
- Supported and forwarded comments regarding the proposed presidential policy on gender recognition and lived name to the Chair of the Academic Council. (4/21/20)
- Endorsed and forwarded the Committee on Research’s report regarding the proposed presidential policy on the protection of human subjects in research. (5/19/20)
- Forwarded comments regarding the proposed presidential policy regarding “Travel Regulations” to the Chair of the Academic Council. (5/19/20)
- Endorsed and forwarded the Committee on Planning and Resource Allocation’s report regarding the proposed revised presidential policy on UC seismic safety, UC-CR-17-0324. (7/14/20)
- Endorsed the proposed *Roles and Responsibilities for the Protection of University Institutional Information and IT Resources (Roles and Responsibilities Policy)*. (8/25/20)

### Legislation

- Approved the proposed amendment to Senate bylaw 37A regarding the Graduate Assembly vice president for campus affairs to be put on the consent calendar for the fall Division meeting.
- Approved proposed revisions to Berkeley Division Regulation A202. (3/30/20)

### Faculty/University Welfare

- Drafted and approved a statement in support of lecturers. (11/4/19)
- Forwarded comments on *The Future of Graduate Education at UC Berkeley* report to the vice provost for graduate studies. (1/21/20)
- Forwarded comments regarding the systemwide review of Proposed Revisions to Academic Personnel Manual, Section 120, Emerita/Emeritus Titles (APM 120). (1/27/20)
- Forwarded comments on the undergraduate student diversity project to the Chancellor. (2/3/20)
- Approved the charge of the Senate Faculty Relations Group. (2/10/20)
- Forwarded comments regarding proposed revisions to Academic Personnel Manual (APM) 240 (Deans)/246 (Faculty Administrators. (2/10/20)
- Forwarded comments on the *Current State Assessment Report and Proposal for Future State*, for the UC Washington Center (UCDC) to the Chair of the Academic Council. (2/19/20)
- Forwarded comments regarding the Working Group on Comprehensive Access (WGCA) Chair's Report of Findings and Recommendations to the Chair of the Academic Council. (2/20/20)
- Approved document for faculty regarding possible GSI Wildcat Strike. (3/9/20)
- Endorsed and forwarded the committees on Academic Planning & Resource Allocation's (CAPRA's) and Research's (COR's) reports on Moffett Field Project at NASA Ames Faculty Steering Committee to the Executive Vice Chancellor & Provost. (4/10/20)
- Approved the proposal for the name change of the Ed.D. Leadership for Educational Equity program to Leaders for Equity and Democracy. (4/13/20)
- Forwarded comments to the vice provost for the faculty and endorsed the proposal for a simple name change for the LEEP EdD. (4/14/20)
- Endorsed and forwarded reports regarding the report "Lighting the Way to the Public Research University for the Future" to the Vice Chancellor of Research and the Vice Provost of Academic Planning. (4/20/20)
- Forwarded comments on *Recognizing International Activities as Part of the Merit, Tenure, and Promotion Process at the University of California* to the Chair of the University Committee on International Education. (5/4/20)
- Forwarded comments regarding the Upper Hearst Project to the vice provost of academic planning. (5/7/20)
- Forwarded a letter regarding the protection of faculty merit increases in the wake of COVID-19 to the Chancellor and the Executive Vice Chancellor & Provost. (5/11/20)
- Reviewed the Office of Faculty Equity and Welfare's (OFEW's) guidelines and requirements on Conflict of Interest (COI) in faculty searches, and sent a letter to the Vice Provost for the faculty. (5/18/20)
- Forwarded comments regarding the Graduate Diversity Task Force Preliminary Recommendations to the vice provost for graduate studies & dean of the graduate division. (5/29/20)

### Budget and Planning

- Drafted a 5-year budget projection for Intercollegiate Athletics. (9/11/19)
- Forwarded the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation's (CAPRA) budget and policy recommendations to the Chancellor and Executive Vice Chancellor & Provost. (8/10/20)
- Approved a joint statement with the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation (CAPRA) regarding finance reform under the impact of COVID-19. (4/27/20)
- Approved the Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation's (CAPRA's) statement to DIVCO on the budget, and forwarded it to the Chancellor. (8/18/20)

### Awards and Honors

- Approved a recipient of the 2019-20 Leon A. Henkin Citation for Distinguished Service. (2/14/20)
- Approved two Martin Meyerson Berkeley Faculty Research Lecturers for 2021. (2/19/20)
- Approved two recipients of the 2020 Berkeley Faculty Service Award. (12/2/19)

- Approved four recipients of the 2020 Distinguished Teaching Award. (3/12/20)
- Approved two recipients of the 2019 Clark Kerr Award. (4/27/20)

### **Senate Management**

- Approved a conflict of interest policy for DIVCO. (9/9/19)
- Charged the Committee on Committees (COMS) to identify members to serve on the special committee of Divisional Council (DIVCO), the Committee on Online Education and Professional Certificates (OEPC). (9/11/19)
- Created a subgroup of DIVCO to draft recommendations on the Senate's academic priorities and principles. (9/23/20)
- Established principles and processes for decision-making about capital projects from DIVCO. (11/4/19)
- Approved authorization for the Division chair to act on behalf of Divisional Council during winter break until Council reconvened in spring 2020. Approved a similar authorization for the Division vice chair to act on behalf of the Division chair in his absence. (12/2/19)
- Extended the term of the Senate Athletics Council (SAC) through Spring 2020 semester. (12/5/19)
- Approved the charge to establish a Faculty Relations group. (1/27/20)
- Approved the 2018-19 DIVCO Annual Report. (2/10/20)
- Approved Berkeley Division Bylaw 36 to create the Standing Senate Committee, Faculty Athletics Council. (2/24/20)
- Approved and forwarded the Graduate Council's three-year review of the Master of Public Affairs (MPA) self-supporting graduate degree program to the Dean of the Goldman School of Public Safety. (3/10/20)
- Forwarded comments on the report of the Academic Council's standardized testing task force. (3/25/20)
- Confirmed appointments to standing committees of the Academic Senate. (9/9/19, 9/23/19, 10/7/19, 11/4/19, 11/18/19, 12/2/19, 1/27/20, 2/10/20, 2/24/20, 3/30/20, 4/27/20, 5/11/20)
- Held two regular Division meetings. (11/4/19, 4/30/20)
- Held a dinner recognizing the 2019 Clark Kerr Award recipients. (12/6/19)
- Approved authorization for the Division chair to act on behalf of Divisional Council during summer break until Council reconvened in fall 2020. Approved a similar authorization for the Division vice chair to act on behalf of the Division chair in his absence. (5/11/20)
- Approved a statement on health provisions for fall 2020. (5/11/20)
- Provided academic priorities for the proposed partnership with Mills College to the Chancellor. (6/17/20)