2022-23 Annual Report of the Committee on Admissions, Enrollment, and Preparatory Education

In fulfilling the charge set by the Berkeley Division by-laws, the Committee on Admissions, Enrollment, and Preparatory Education (AEPE) accomplished the following activities during the 2022-23 academic year. Professor Jill Duerr Berrick from the School of Social Welfare served as chair.

I. Admissions Policies and Review Guidelines

The following policies and procedures were reviewed and revised:

- College of Chemistry Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2023 Freshman Reader Guidelines (Approved October 14, 2022).
- College of Engineering Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2023 Freshman Reader Guidelines (Approved October 14, 2022).
- Advanced Standing Selection Criteria; College of Letters and Science; (Junior-level) Transfer Guidelines Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2023 (Approved December 5, 2022).
- Advanced Standing Selection Criteria; College of Letters and Science; (Junior-level) Transfer Guidelines Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2024 (Approved March 10, 2023).
- Student-Athlete Admissions Policy (effective for admissions starting in academic year 2023-24) (Approved May 13, 2023).
- Removed gendered language, in accordance with the Presidential Policy on Gender Recognition and Lived Name (https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/2700693/GRLN), which "acknowledges that binary options are not sufficient to recognize gender diversity."
 - College of Chemistry Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2023 First-year Reader Guidelines
 - College of Engineering Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2023 First-year Reader Guidelines
 - o First-year Admissions Policy Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2023
 - o First-year Selection Procedures Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2023
 - Advanced Standing Selection Criteria; College of Letters and Science; (Junior-level) Transfer Guidelines Effective for the Incoming Class of Fall 2024
 - Student-Athlete Admissions Policy (effective for admissions starting in academic year 2023-24)

II. Key AEPE Issues

- <u>Direct admit workgroup</u> small group of AEPE members met to discuss possible guidelines for direct admissions proposals. AEPE members approved to suspend the review of all new requests for direct admissions from campus departments.
- Area C requirement (Mathematics) and Data Science.
 - o AEPE member & BOARS representative Volpp asked BOARS the following (motion approved January 20, 2023):
 - How many students took data science courses in exclusion of other courses?
 - Who is getting admitted to UC Berkeley with data science?
 - Comments sent to Division Chair Mary Ann Smart and BOARS Chair Barbara Knowlton on February 17, 2023.
 - o AEPE made two requests to BOARS asking that Data Science be included as a high school elective, but not as a substitute for Algebra II (February and May 2023).
 - o Request sent to Division Chair Mary Ann Smart, BOARS Chair Barbara Knowlton, and BOARS members on July 5, 2023 on to clarify Senate Regulation 424A.3.c.
- <u>Increasing enrollments</u>. Comments sent to Division Chair Mary Ann Smart on March 3, 2023, expressing grave concerns about the impact of increasing enrollments on Berkeley students, faculty, instruction, and campus infrastructure.
- *Fiat Lux* schools. Comments sent to Chair Peter Jenks of the Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships, Honors, & Financial Aid (CUSHFA) on May 18, 2023, requesting a review of inclusion and exclusion criteria associated with the *Fiat Lux* scholarship.
- Contributors to Committee Meetings
 - Professor Lynn Huntsinger (Environmental Science, Policy & Management, ESPM)
 was an at-large member on the systemwide Academic Council Special Committee
 on Transfer Issues (ACSCOTI) and provided updates.
 - o The following presented first-year & transfer applicant data, and provided updates related to undergraduate admissions and enrollment throughout the year:
 - Jocelyn De Jong, Executive Director of Admissions Office of Undergraduate Admissions (OUA)
 - Timetra Hampton, Senior Associate Director of Admissions OUA
 - Adam Hillier, Strategic Initiatives Advisor Enrollment Management
 - Justin Louis, Analyst Enrollment Management (3/10/2023)
 - O The following provided an update to the Analytical Writing Placement Exam (AWPE) & Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) at the September 23, 2022 working meeting:
 - Oliver O'Reilly, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education
 - Jenna Johnson-Hanks, Executive Dean College of Letters & Science

- Rebecca Sablo, Assistant Dean for Finance and Administration College of Letters & Science, Undergraduate Studies Division
- Maggie Sokolik, Director College Writing Programs
- The following proposed revisions to the *Student-Athlete Admissions Policy* at the March 17, 2023, working meeting:
 - Jay Larson, Associate Athletic Director, Compliance Intercollegiate Athletics
 - Derek Van Rheenen, Executive Director Athletic Study Center
- The following provided an update to the *Haas Direct Admit pilot program* at the April 14, 2023, meeting:
 - Erika Walker, Senior Assistant Dean for Instruction Haas School of Business
 - Monique Ellis, Director of Admissions Haas School of Business
 - Emma Hayes Daftary, Assistant Dean of Undergraduate Programs Haas School of Business
- o Cruz Grimaldo, Associate Vice Chancellor Financial Aid & Scholarships described the *Fiat Lux Scholarship* program at the April 14, 2023, meeting.

• Committee Member Participation

- Chair Jill Berrick and AEPE member/Associate Vice Chancellor of Enrollment Management & Dean of Undergraduate Admissions Olufemi Ogundele co-chaired the Student Athlete Admissions Committee (SAAC).
- Professor Sophie Volpp (Comparative Literature) represented AEPE on the Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools (BOARS) and reported on the committee's meetings and activities.
- Professor Sarah Freedman (Education) represented AEPE on the University Committee on Preparatory Education (UCOPE) and reported on the committee's meetings and activities.
- o Professor John Hartwig (Chemistry) represented AEPE on SAAC.
- Professor Steven Lee (English) represented AEPE on the Entry-Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) work group.

III. AEPE review of Academic Senate, Campus, and Systemwide Policies & Issues

• Systemwide Senate Review of Proposed Senate Regulation 479 (Cal-GETC). Comments sent to Divisional Council on October 31, 2022.

- Systemwide Senate Review of Proposed amendment to Senate Regulation 630. Comments sent to Divisional Council on October 31, 2022.
- Systemwide Senate Review of Entry Level Writing Requirement Task Force Report and Recommendations. Comments sent to Divisional Council on October 31, 2022.
- Entry-Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) working group report. Comments sent to Division Chair Mary Ann Smart and Executive Dean Jennifer Johnson-Hanks on October 31, 2022, and February 17, 2023.
- Systemwide Senate Review of Proposed Conforming Amendments to Senate Regulations on Admission. Comments sent to Divisional Council on March 13, 2023.
- Revised proposal for A-G Ethnic Studies. Comments sent to Division Chair Mary Ann Smart and BOARS Chair Barbara Knowlton on May 18, 2023.

IV. Unfinished Business and Future Action Items

- Review of the ELWR approach
- Review of Haas Direct Admissions program
- Ongoing review of data from Intercollegiate Athletics Department on student admitted by exception
- Review of alternate majors
- Review of new process for L&S capped/high-demand majors
- Admissions processes across the colleges

V. Reports as Informational Items

- UC Assembly of the UC Academic Senate Approval of Senate Regulation 479 (Cal-GETC) (Informational Item 1/20/2023).
- UC Berkeley Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) working group report (Informational Item 2/10/2023).
- UC systemwide Academic Senate Assembly approval of revisions to Senate Regulations 610 and 630 updating the residency prerequisite for an undergraduate bachelor's degree (Informational Item 3/10/2023).