

Recommendation on Curriculum Review

February 26, 2020 - Approved by the University Senate

The University Senate Recommends that the University adopt clearly documented and transparent processes for the development, review and approval of curriculum that

- I. recognize the purview of the Faculty in the specification and alteration of curriculum, and
- II. are consistent with the principles and spirit of shared governance.

Specifically, the Senate recommends adoption by the University of the proposed Curriculum Review Guidelines, included by reference in this Recommendation.

Rationale

Curriculum is the purview of the Faculty. Hence, all curricular actions - creation, addition, alteration, deletion, etc.- should originate with, and reflect the judgment of, the Faculty. The size and intellectual diversity of the Faculty necessitates an orderly deliberative process to properly develop and determine Faculty consensus on the Curriculum. The Provost, as chief academic officer of the University, is responsible for managing and implementing the curriculum for both Graduate and Undergraduate programs, and ensuring that curriculum and policies conform to State and Federal law, requirements, and regulations. The policies and procedures delineated in the Guidelines aim to establish these ends in a comprehensive and consistent fashion for all curricular matters at the University.