List of Merced Academic Senate committees, duties, and membership (2005-2006)

Committee on Academic Personnel

Represents the Division in all matters relating to appointments and promotions and makes recommendations to the Chancellor on appointments, promotions, salaries, and other matters related to the quality of the faculty.

Art Woodward, Chair Joe Cerny, UC Berkeley

David Ojcius, Vice-Chair David Goodblatt, UC San Diego

Dunya Ramicova Chip Martel, UC Davis

Roland Winston Donald Wittman, UC Santa Cruz Martha Conklin Tom Wickens, Psychology, UCB

Jeannie Darby, UC Davis

Committee on Privilege and Tenure

This Committee takes cognizance of all matters affecting the privilege or tenure of officers of instruction of the Division. The principles and procedures governing its conduct are set forth in Senate Bylaws 334, 335, 336, and 337.

Sam Traina, Co-Chair

George Blumenthal, UC Santa Cruz, Co-Chair

Christopher Viney

Will Shadish

Shawn Kantor

Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation

Confers with and advises the Chancellor on policy regarding academic and physical planning, budget, and resource allocation, both annual and long range. Initiates studies in planning and budget matters, and if necessary to accomplish the study, authorizes establishment of ad hoc committees. Maintains liaison with other Committees of the Division on matters relating to budget and planning. Reports regularly to the Divisional Council and to the Division.

Roger Bales, Chair

Evan Heit, Vice-Chair

Shawn Kantor

Henry Forman

Student member to be named

<u>Undergraduate Council</u>

- Considers and reports upon matters involving questions of educational policy, admissions, and enrollment.
- Exercises in the Division responsibilities regarding preparatory education that are assigned by the system-wide Senate Committee on Preparatory Education and by the Division.
- Provides guidance, advice, and supervision regarding all academic matters related to the Education Abroad Program, including student selection, selection of Study Center Directors, and reviews of Study Centers.

- Nominates members of the Faculty to receive Distinguished Teaching Awards and other awards as appropriate.
- Initiates, receives, and funds proposals for instructional improvement and development.
- Recommends to the President, through the Chancellor, award of such undergraduate scholarships as are restricted to students on the Merced Campus.
- Determines criteria for award of undergraduate honors and Honors with the Bachelor's Degree.
- Recommends to the Chancellor policies related to the awarding of all undergraduate financial aid on the Merced campus.
- Reviews, coordinates, and takes final action on all matters relating to courses of instruction, including approval of new courses and modification, withdrawal, conduct, credit valuation, and classification of existing courses.
- Consults with and advises departments and individual members of the Division on courses of instruction.
- Approves, on behalf of the Division, proposals from Schools and Colleges for undergraduate majors, minors, and certificates.
- Acts on behalf of the Division in reviewing recommendations from the Colleges and Schools concerning the award of undergraduate degrees, certificates, and honors.

Mike Colvin, Chair Kara McCloskey Peggy O'Day, Vice-Chair Jinah Choi

Virginia Adan Carol Freeman, UC Santa Cruz
Christopher Viney Doug Morgan, UC Santa Barbara
Evan Heit Doug Magde, UC San Diego

Cristian Ricci Student representative to be named Gerardo Diaz Jane Lawrence (ex officio, non-voting)

Graduate and Research Council

- Exercises administrative and coordinating functions in the Graduate Division at Merced in accordance with Senate Bylaw 330.
- Makes recommendations to the Chancellor concerning applications by members of the Division for research grants and for travel expenses to attend meetings of learned societies.
- Represents the Division in all matters relating to the review of Organized Research Units.
- Advises the Chancellor in matters relating to research policy.
- Advises the Chancellor regarding administration of the Library.
- Acts on behalf of the Division in reviewing recommendations from the Graduate School concerning the award of graduate degrees, certificates, and honors.

Shawn Kantor, Chair Valerie Leppert David Kelley, Vice-Chair Rudy Ortiz

Gregg Herken Student representative to be named Belinda Reyes Keith Alley (ex officio, non-voting)

Tom Harmon