Undergraduate Council (UGC)

Duties

- 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 systemwide Senate Committee on Preparation 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 undergraduate 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 (see Bylaw IV).

Current Members

- Manuel Martin-Rodriguez, Chair, School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Art
- Andy LiWang, Vice Chair, School of Natural Sciences
- Andres Aguilar, School of Natural Sciences
- Yishu Chen, School of Engineering
- Ariel Escobar, School of Engineering
- Ajay Gopinathan, School of Natural Sciences
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- Dunya Ramicova, School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Art

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- Jane F. Lawrence, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
- Christopher Viney, Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education

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- Virginia Adan-Lifante, School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Art, University Committee on Preparatory Education
- Susan Amussen, School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Art, Board of Admissions and Relations with Schools
- Gregg Camfield, School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Art, University Committee on Educational Policy
- Ariel Escobar, School of Engineering, University Committee on International Education

Working Documents (Members Only)

Schedule of Meetings

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