

Faculty Senate 2021-2022



Covid-19

- ▶ Statement from Senate Exec on 8/5/21
 - ▶ “We find ourselves again in fall 2021 facing an unprecedented environment, and we believe that the best way forward involves reassuring faculty that they have the agency to make adjustments on an individual basis, without bureaucratic hurdles, to teach safely and as effectively as possible in the ongoing pandemic.”
- ▶ Resolution from Faculty Senate, passed 18-0 on 8/18/21
 - ▶ “The Faculty Senate affirms that in the current environment faculty members may reasonably choose to temporarily adjust their class sessions...It is the opinion of the Faculty Senate that these small and passing adjustments, which we refer to as “temporary”, do not require the permission of HR and will not challenge the overall modality (face-to-face, live class sessions), of a faculty member’s teaching.”

Senate Meetings – now Fridays at noon!

- ▶ Remaining meetings this term: Sept. 3, Sept. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 12, Dec. 3
- ▶ September 3rd meeting: Main agenda item is the Triple Policy, with President Roellke's proposed procedure on program closing.
 - ▶ Senate is planning a vote
 - ▶ Could be before the faculty on September 17th

What is the Senate working on this year?

- ▶ Faculty Welfare Committee
 - ▶ Taking on the Workload Document
- ▶ Academic Affairs Committee
 - ▶ Continuing work on anti-racism in the curriculum
 - ▶ SETs
- ▶ Policies and Procedures Committee
 - ▶ Handbooks!
- ▶ Finance Committee
 - ▶ Data Calendar



Where are we with the UCCAP Defining Document?

- ▶ In November 2020, I presented to the Faculty and noted that UCCAP membership was not aligned with its Defining Document, which was something we should remedy.
- ▶ Over the spring 2021 semester Faculty approved many sensible changes, which are now active in the 2021 DD.
- ▶ Faculty considered further changes to membership and eligibility; those were tabled in April 2021, leaving the 2010 membership in place.
 - ▶ Bringing them back to the floor requires a motion and second, followed by discussion and vote.
- ▶ Listed UCCAP membership is, however, once again out of alignment with the Defining Document.

Let us know your concerns!

▶ [Current Senate Roster](#)

