

**UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON RULES AND JURISDICTION (UCR&J)
ANNUAL REPORT 2016-17**

TO THE ASSEMBLY OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE:

Responsibilities and Duties

Pursuant to [Senate Bylaw 205](#), the University Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction (UCR&J) is responsible for:

- examining and supervising all changes and additions, both substantive and editorial, in the Senate Bylaws and Regulations;
- examining all Divisional legislation that affects the system Bylaws and Regulations;
- preparing and reporting to the Assembly or to any of the Divisions such changes and additions to the Bylaws and Regulations as may seem to it advisable; and
- making editorial and conforming non-substantive changes in the Bylaws and Regulations with regard to numbering, headings, cross-references, organizational titles, details of style, and similar items.

Pursuant to Senate Bylaw 206, UCR&J shall respond to informal requests from Senate members for information concerning the *Code of the Academic Senate*, and shall file with the Secretary/Parliamentarian of the Senate, and summarize in its annual committee report, all correspondence containing committee response to such requests.

UCR&J conducted business over email, and major actions are reported below.

Evaluation of proposed Bylaw changes

[Bylaw 336](#) – Revises procedures and timelines for Privilege and Tenure proceedings in discipline cases. The amendments are intended to align Bylaw 336 with proposed revisions to APM 015 (The Faculty Code of Conduct), and APM 016 (University Policy on Faculty Conduct and The Administration of Discipline).

Examination of Divisional Legislation

Legislative Ruling 12.93A gives Divisional Committees on Rules and Jurisdiction authority to determine whether changes their Divisional Manuals have systemwide significance. UCR&J will, however, review proposed changes of potential systemwide significance that come to its attention.

[Bylaw 125.B.14](#) – Authorizes the Academic Council to nominate to the President an Academic Senate member who holds a clinical appointment at a UC School of Medicine to serve on the Health Services Committee of the Board of Regents.

Editorial and non-substantive changes in the Bylaws

[Senate Bylaw 205.B.4](#), requires that editorial and non-substantive changes be reported to the organizations directly concerned and published in the call for the next meeting of the Assembly. See Attachment 1 for the detailed list of such changes.

Advice to Divisions and Committees

- The University Committee on Educational Policy (UCEP) inquired as to whether UCEP is authorized to propose amendments to Senate Bylaws, specifically Bylaw 630. UCR&J advised that UCEP has the authority to make such proposals.
- The San Francisco Division asked whether changes to the grading system of a School within a Division are subject to UCR&J review under [Regulation 778](#). UCR&J replied that Regulation 778 applies to any changes in any part of the grading system within a Division, and that a substantive review by the Divisional Committee on Educational Policy is also required (concerning whether changes to part of the grading system within a division can be applied only to certain programs).
- The Santa Cruz Division asked about whether a department may require approval for currently articulated community college courses to substitute for University of California courses. UCR&J advised that departments wishing to opt out of previous agreements must do so in a timely manner and in accordance with Divisional procedures.
- The University Committee on Committees (UCOC) asked whether [Bylaw 128.H](#), concerning voting rights for non-Senate members, applies to Senate committee task force members. UCR&J's advice was that Bylaw 128.H applies to all Senate committees, including task forces.
- UCR&J provided detailed advice to the Senate Chair regarding procedures for submitting Memorials to the Regents.

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