

**BYLAWS AND REGULATIONS  
OF THE  
FACULTY  
OF THE  
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**

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## BYLAWS

### PART I. FUNCTION

1. The Academic Senate Faculty (also referred to as "Academic Senate") of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences shall govern the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences in matters of instruction leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science in accordance with the Bylaws and Regulations of the Academic Senate. Conduct of the government with respect to graduate instruction shall be subject to the rules and coordinating powers of the Graduate Council (Am. 5-21-91; 6-5-96; Am. 6-9-05; 5-23-18).
2. The Academic Federation of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Davis, shall act in an advisory capacity to the associate director of the Agricultural Experiment Station, Davis. Matters of concern shall include agriculture and natural resources (Am. 11-30-87; 5-21-91; 6-9-05).

### PART II. MEMBERSHIP (Am. 5-23-18)

3. The Academic Senate of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (Davis Division Bylaw 143) shall consist of:
  - (A) The president of the university, the chancellor of the Davis campus, the dean of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Davis, the dean of Graduate Studies, Davis, and the vice chancellor for Research, Davis (Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-9-05; 5-23-18);
  - (B) All members of the departments, divisions or equivalent administrative units of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Davis, who are members of the Academic Senate (Am. 11-30-71; 5-26-87; Renum. 2-22-94; 6-9-05); and
  - (C) The university librarian and registrar of the Davis campus (Am. 11-30-87; 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94; 6-9-05).
4. The Academic Federation of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Davis, shall consist of: (Am. 11-30-87;6-9-05)
  - (A) All members of the departments, divisions or equivalent administrative units of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Davis, who are members of the Academic Federation (Am. 11-30-87; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).
  - (B) Members of the Academic Federation of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences may serve as representatives to all bodies of the faculty. Only members of the Academic Senate shall be eligible to vote when the Faculty is taking action on any matter for the Academic Senate, including matters relating to courses and programs of instruction, or giving advice to University officers or other non-Senate agencies in the name of the Senate. Members of the Academic Federation are given the right to vote on other questions (Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

### PART III. MEETINGS

5. There shall be at least one regular meeting each year (normally the annual CA&ES spring faculty meeting of members of the Academic Senate and Academic Federation of the college), to be held within the last 15 days of academic instruction. The annual reports of the standing committees shall constitute an order of business at this meeting (Am. 6-2-69; 6-1-95; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

6. A special meeting may be called by the chair or vice chair of the Executive Committee at any time. Also, upon the written request of a total of ten members of the Academic Senate and/or representatives of the Academic Federation to the secretary, a special meeting must be called within thirty days of receipt of the request (Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-5-96; Am. 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).
7. The call for each meeting shall be issued through the secretary, who shall notify each member of the Academic Senate and representatives of the Academic Federation, at least five academic days before the meeting. For a special meeting, the notice shall include a statement of the purpose which shall constitute the order of business for the meeting (Am. 6-5-96; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).
8. A total of twenty-five voting members of the Academic Senate and/or representatives of the Academic Federation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business in which the Faculty is not taking final action on any matter for the Academic Senate, or giving advice to University officers or other non-Senate agencies in the name of the Senate. At least twenty-five voting members of the Academic Senate shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business in which the Faculty is taking final action on any matter for the Academic Senate, or giving advice to University officers or other non-Senate agencies in the name of the Senate (Am. 6-5-96; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

#### **PART IV. COMMITTEES** (Renum. 5-23-18)

9. (A) Committees of the Faculty include standing committees and special committees. These are made up of members of the Academic Senate, representatives of the Academic Federation, and others as applicable. These committees may be constituted of elected members and representatives, appointed members and representatives, and ex officio members and representatives. The Executive Committee can appoint an additional committee member(s) and representative(s) on an ad hoc basis whenever the workload increases. Members and representatives of standing committees are appointed annually beginning September 1, and they are expected to serve a term of three years. Continuity is accomplished by appointing some new members and representatives each year with the expectation that each member and representative will serve for three years (Am. 11-28-83; 6-4-84; 5-21-91; 6-5-96; 6-9-05; 6-7-07; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).
  - (B) The annual reports of the standing committees shall be presented at the annual meeting of the spring term (Am. 5-28-75; 5-21-91; 6-5-96; 6-9-05).
  - (C) Special committees are created by action of the Executive Committee. Unless otherwise specified at the time of creation of a committee, the members and representatives shall be appointed by the Executive Committee for terms not to exceed one year. Each special committee shall have such powers and perform such duties as shall be designated in the resolution calling for its appointment. No special committee, however, shall be appointed or elected to perform any duties assigned to a regular standing committee. Only members of the Academic Senate shall be eligible to vote when a special committee is taking action on any matter for the Academic Senate, including matters relating to courses and programs of instruction, or giving advice to University officers or other non-Senate agencies in the name of the Senate. Members of the Academic Federation are given the right to vote on other questions (Am. 5-28-75; 6-5-96; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).
10. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall consist of eight **elected** members of the Academic Senate and four **elected** representatives of the Academic Federation, as defined in Part II, one nonvoting undergraduate student and one nonvoting graduate student representative, and the following

as nonvoting ex officio members: the dean of the college and an associate dean selected by the dean of the college. The eight members of the Academic Senate and four representatives of the Academic Federation serve three-year terms. Term start dates should be staggered to ideally elect four new Academic Senate and one to two new Academic Federation members each year. If the terms of more than four Academic Senate members end at the same time, terms may be extended one year to re-balance start dates, at the discretion of the CA&ES Faculty Executive Committee. The divisions of Human and Environmental Sciences are each represented by two of the eight Academic Senate members and by one of the four Academic Federation representatives. The division of Agricultural Sciences is represented by four of the eight Academic Senate members and by two of the four Academic Federation representatives. A designated Executive Committee member shall serve as liaison for the college with campus libraries on matters of education.

Only members of the Academic Senate shall be eligible to vote when the committee is taking action on any matter for the Academic Senate, including matters relating to courses and programs of instruction, or giving advice to University officers or other non-Senate agencies in the name of the Senate. Members of the Academic Federation are given the right to vote on other questions.

The undergraduate student representatives are selected through a call by the college Committee on Committees. The committee solicits applications from volunteers who note their committee interest, current GPA and grade level. On this basis, the students are invited to participate. The chosen students are required to complete FERPA certification to ensure student confidentiality (Am. 5-21-91; 6-6-94; 6-5-96; 6-10-98; 6-7-00; 6-9-05; 6-7-07; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18; Am. 6-4-20).

(A) It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee:

- (1) To coordinate the actions and affairs of the Academic Senate and the Academic Federation of the college (Am. 6-6-94);
- (2) To recommend to the college members of the Academic Senate and Academic Federation the appointive members and representatives of all standing committees as prescribed in these bylaws (Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-5-96, 5-23-18);
- (3) To appoint members and representatives of special committees as may be authorized (Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 5-23-18);
- (4) To receive requests that may require committee action and to direct such requests to the appropriate committee or committees (Am. 6-1-67; Renum. 2-22-94, Am. 6-9-05);
- (5) To serve as liaison between standing and special committees of the college and between those committees and the UC Davis Division of the Academic Senate. Examples of standing and special meetings include the Academic Senate Chairs Orientation meeting in September, CA&ES chairs meetings and other special committees. The Executive Committee should provide for representation at these meetings or arrange for updates to ensure the committee is apprised of Academic Senate and college activities (Am. 6-1-67; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-6-94; 6-5-96, Am. 6-9-05; 5-23-18);
- (6) To serve as the primary (but non-exclusive) Academic Senate consultative body for the administration of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences on all policy and procedural changes to academic affairs, including faculty hiring. To consider administrative matters referred to it by the dean of the college (Renum. 2-22-94, Am. 6-4-20);

- (7) During fall quarter to consider the list of members of the Academic Senate and representatives of the Academic Federation as specified in Bylaw 15C (En. 6-5-96. Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 5-23-18);
  - (8) During spring quarter to consider changes in membership of the Academic Senate and representatives of the Academic Federation as specified in Bylaw 15C (En. 6-5-96. Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 5-23-18); and
  - (9) To cooperate with the library committees of the UC Davis Division of the Academic Senate and represent the College Academic Senate and Academic Federation with respect to the library on issues of education (En. 6-10-98, Am. and Renum. 6-9-05).
- (B) The chair of the committee is authorized to confer with the chair of the Committee on Committees of the UC Davis Division of the Senate to arrange liaison between the two committees (Am. 6-9-05).
- (C) Officers
- (1) Chair and Vice Chair
 

The chair and vice chair of the Executive Committee shall be members of the Academic Senate. They shall take office on September 1. The chair, or in the chair's absence the vice chair, shall call and preside at all meetings (Am. 6-1-67; 5-28-75; 6-5-96; 6-9-05, 5-23-18).
  - (2) Secretary
 

The secretary of the Executive Committee can be either a member of the Academic Senate or a representative of the Academic Federation. It shall be the duty of the secretary to issue notice of meetings, to keep and distribute minutes of the proceedings, to issue notice of elections, and to conduct elections as provided in these bylaws. The secretary shall send annually to the members of the Academic Senate and representatives of the Academic Federation, in the fall term, the list of members of the Academic Senate and representatives of the Academic Federation prepared by the Rules and Jurisdiction Committee. Changes in membership and representation shall be reported by the department chairs to the secretary and an updated list shall be prepared spring quarter for approval of the Executive Committee and voted on by the general membership at its annual meeting as specified in Bylaw 15C (Am. 6-1-67; 5-21-91; 6-5-96; 5-23-18).
- (D) Following the CA&ES elections, the current Executive Committee and newly elected members and representatives whose term begins the following 1<sup>st</sup> of September shall meet during May prior to the annual CA&ES spring faculty meeting in June, to select the new chair, vice chair, and secretary. At that same meeting, the student representatives will be identified for all CA&ES committees for the following year (Am. 6-1-67; 11-22-82; 6-9-05; 5-23-18).
- (E) The term of the new Executive Committee begins on September 1 of each year (Am. 6-9-05).
- (F) The Executive Committee shall determine when vacancies exist in its own membership and representation and shall fill such vacancies as specified in Bylaw 20H (Am. 6-6-94; Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 5-23-18).

- (G) The Executive Committee shall have power to receive and act upon resignations, to decide when vacancies occur, and to make appointments to fill vacancies in standing and special committees. Substitutes may be appointed in cases of illness or emergency (Am. 5-21-91; 6-5-96; Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 5-23-18).
- (H) The Executive Committee shall make its own rules of procedure consistent with the bylaws (Am. 6-1-67; 6-5-96; Renum. 6-9-05).
- (I) At least five academic days prior to the regular meeting of the spring term, the Executive Committee shall distribute to the members of the Academic Senate and Academic Federation of the college a list of the proposed members and representatives of the various standing committees. The ex officio members and representatives and the proposed chairs of such committees shall be designated. Members of the Executive Committee shall be eligible to serve as members or representatives and as chairs of committees. At the regular meeting of the spring term, the Executive Committee shall report its recommendations for consideration by the Academic Senate and Academic Federation. Acceptance of the report of the Executive Committee by the Academic Senate and Academic Federation with or without amendments, shall constitute appointment of proposed members and representatives of standing committees (Renum. 6-5-05; Am. 5-23-18).

11. Graduate Education Committee

This committee shall consist of at least four appointed members of the Academic Senate, representing differing areas of interest and expertise, two appointed representatives of the Academic Federation, one nonvoting graduate student representative, and, as a nonvoting ex officio member, an associate dean of the college selected by the dean. The chair of the committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee. Only members of the Academic Senate shall be eligible to vote when the committee is taking action on any matter for the Academic Senate, including matters relating to courses and programs of instruction, or giving advice to University officers or other non-Senate agencies in the name of the Senate. Members of the Academic Federation are given the right to vote on other questions. The graduate student representative is selected through a call by the college Committee on Committees. The committee solicits applications from volunteers who note their committee interest, current GPA and grade level. On this basis, the student is invited to participate. The chosen student is required to complete FERPA certification to ensure student confidentiality. The duties of this committee shall be to: (En. 6-6-94, Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; 5-23-18)

- (A) Advise the Executive Committee on graduate education issues and policies, especially in the context of college academic plans (En. 6-6-94; Renum. 6-9-05);
- (B) Act as liaison between Executive Committee and Graduate Council (En. 6-6-94; Am. and Renum. 6-9-05);
- (C) Review applications for graduate fellowships and other graduate medals and awards that are held specifically in the college; advise the Executive Committee on proper and best use of graduate endowment funds specific to the CA&ES (En. 6-6-94; Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 5-23-18); and
- (D) Maintain communication with the Executive Committee (Am. 6-9-05).

12. Student Actions and Commencement Awards Committee

This committee shall consist of five appointed members of the Academic Senate representing differing areas of interest and expertise, two appointed representatives of the Academic Federation, two nonvoting undergraduate student representatives, one nonvoting Dean's Office staff, and, as a nonvoting ex officio member, an associate dean of the college selected by the

dean. The chair will be appointed by the Executive Committee. Only members of the Academic Senate shall be eligible to vote when the committee is taking action on any matter for the Academic Senate, including matters relating to courses and programs of instruction, or giving advice to University officers or other non-Senate agencies in the name of the Senate. Members of the Academic Federation are given the right to vote on other questions. The Director of Undergraduate Academic Programs will provide staff support. The undergraduate student representatives are selected through a call by the college Committee on Committees. The committee solicits applications from volunteers who note their committee interest, current GPA and grade level. On this basis, the students are invited to participate. The chosen students are required to complete FERPA certification to ensure student confidentiality. The duties of this committee shall be to: (Am. 5-21-91; 6-6-94; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; 5-23-18)

- (A) This committee shall be responsible for reviewing and making recommendations on individual student petitions, including general education credit, changes in majors, excess unit petitions, senior residence waivers within 1-5 units, graduation requirements and dropping courses after normal deadlines. Decision making authority can be delegated to the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Academic Programs. An annual report shall be provided to the Executive Committee and Academic Senate as described under Section 12.D. (Reg. 23B-E) (Am. 5-21-91; 6-6-94; Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; 5-23-18);
- (B) Review and where appropriate act upon all student petitions requesting permission to graduate under exception to Davis Division or Senate regulations, forwarding approved petitions to the Davis Division of the Academic Senate and denied petitions to the Executive Committee for further review (Am. 5-21-91; 6-6-94; Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 6-7-07; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18);
- (C) Review candidate applications for undergraduate college/university medals and various other college awards (Am. 6-9-05; Renum. 5-23-18); and
- (D) Maintain communication with the Executive Committee. Provide a written report and summary annually to the Executive Committee and to the Academic Senate regarding delegated decisions, changes in the educational programs of the college during the past year and the current status of the programs (Am. 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

13. Undergraduate Majors and Courses Committee

This committee shall consist of eight appointed members of the Academic Senate, an appointed representative of the Academic Federation, two nonvoting undergraduate student representatives, one nonvoting Dean's Office staff, and the following nonvoting *ex officio* member: an associate dean of the college selected by the dean. The chair of the committee will be appointed by the Executive Committee. Only members of the Academic Senate shall be eligible to vote when the committee is taking action on any matter for the Academic Senate, including matters relating to courses and programs of instruction, or giving advice to University officers or other non-Senate agencies in the name of the Senate. Members of the Academic Federation are given the right to vote on other questions. The Director of Undergraduate Academic Programs will provide staff support. The undergraduate student representatives are selected through a call by the college Committee on Committees. The committee solicits applications from volunteers who note their committee interest, current GPA and grade level. On this basis, the students are invited to participate. The chosen students are required to complete FERPA certification to ensure student confidentiality. The duties of this committee shall be to: (En. 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-6-94; Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; 5-23-18)

- (A) Review all proposals to add new majors or to change or delete existing majors and to make recommendations for appropriate action to the Executive Committee which will then

forward the proposals to the Davis Division of the Academic Senate (En. 5-21-91; Am. 6-6-94; Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 5-23-18);

- (B) To approve the criteria proposed for any major within the college for a minimum grade point average of a defined set of preparatory courses (or UC Davis equivalents) for entrance into the major (Am. and Renum. 6-9-05);
- (C) Review proposals to add new minors or to change or delete existing minor programs of study in the college and make recommendations for appropriate action to the Executive Committee which will then forward the proposals to the Davis Division of the Academic Senate (En. 5-21-91; Am. 6-6-94, Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 5-23-18);
- (D) Act upon all requests to add new courses or to change or delete existing courses and periodically review existing courses. At its discretion, the committee may give the concerned department or program (interdepartmental or intercollege majors) a hearing when a course request is denied or when the committee initiates recommendations for changes in an existing course. The committee will make recommendations for appropriate action to the Executive Committee which will then forward proposals with substantial changes to the Davis Division of the Academic Senate (En. 5-21-91; Am. 6-6-94, Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; Am. 5-23-18);
- (E) Provide a written report annually to the Executive Committee and to the Academic Senate regarding changes in the educational programs of the college during the past year and on the current status of the programs (En. 5-21-91; Am. 6-6-94, Am. and Renum. 6-9-05); and
- (F) Maintain communication with the Executive Committee (Am. 6-9-05).

14. Undergraduate Program Review Committee

This committee shall consist of three members selected from the Academic Senate. The committee chair shall be selected from the committee membership by the Executive Committee. In addition, an associate dean of the college, selected by the dean, serves as a nonvoting ex officio member. The duties of this committee shall be as follows: (En. 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-6-94; 6-5-96, Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; 5-23-18)

- (A) The Undergraduate Program Review Committee (UPRC) chair serves as an ex officio and voting member of the Undergraduate Instruction and Program Review (UIPR) Committee, as part of the Undergraduate Council program review process and will be the liaison between the UIPR committee and the Executive Committee (Am. and Renum. 5-23-18);
- (B) The committee will assist with program reviews in the college being conducted by the UIPR committee and report conclusions and recommendations of the UIPR committee to the Executive Committee on an annual basis (En. 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-6-94; 6-5-96; Am. and Renum. 6-9-05; 5-23-18); and
- (C) The committee shall maintain communication with the Executive Committee (Am. 6-9-05; Renum. 5-23-18).

15. Rules and Jurisdiction Committee

This committee shall consist of at least two members and one representative. Two members shall be selected from the Academic Senate and one representative shall be selected from the Academic Federation. The committee chair shall be selected from the committee membership



by the Executive Committee. The duties of this Committee shall be to: (Am. 11-30-87; 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-5-96; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18)

- (A) Review all changes in Bylaws and Regulations proposed to the college Executive Committee by other committees or by individuals (Am. 5-21-91; Am. 6-5-96; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18);
- (B) Recommend such changes and additions to the Bylaws and Regulations as may seem advisable (Am. 5-21-91; Renum. 5-23-18);
- (C) Prepare and submit a list of members of the Academic Senate and representatives of the Academic Federation to the secretary annually during the fall quarter. This list shall identify the department(s) within the college with which Academic Senate members and Academic Federation representatives are associated. This list shall be an item of business of the Executive Committee during the fall quarter. Changes shall be reported by the department chairs to the secretary, and an updated list shall be prepared by the committee in spring quarter for approval by the Executive Committee and voted on by the general membership at its annual meeting (Am. 5-30-79; 5-21-91; 6-5-96; 5-23-18);
- (D) Upon request, advise committee chairs and other officers of the Executive Committee concerning parliamentary procedures and rules of order (Am. 5-30-79; 5-21-91; 6-5-96);
- (E) Supervise all elections. These elections shall be conducted by the secretary of the Executive Committee and the Rules and Jurisdiction Committee in accordance with the procedures set forth in these bylaws (Am. 5-30-79; 6-5-96);
- (F) Edit and publish the Bylaws and Regulations of the college at appropriate intervals (Am. 5-21-91; 6-9-05); and
- (G) Maintain communication with the Executive Committee (Am. 6-9-05).

**PART V. ORDER OF BUSINESS** (Am. and Renum. 5-23-18)

- 16. (A) The order of business at regular meetings shall be the following:  
(Am. 5-28-70; 6-5-96; 6-9-05; Renum. 5-23-18)
  - (1) Approval of Minutes
  - (2) Announcements
  - (3) Reports by administrative officers
  - (4) Reports of special committees
  - (5) Reports of standing committees
  - (6) Unfinished business
  - (7) New business
- (B) The regular order of business may be suspended at any meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.
- (C) The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order shall guide meetings in all cases to which they are applicable (Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

**PART VI. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS AND REGULATIONS** (Renum. 5-23-18)

- 17. These bylaws may be added to, amended, or repealed at any regular or special meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the Academic Senate members present, provided that written notice of the proposed change shall have been sent to each member at least five academic days prior to the meeting at which the amendment is to be moved (Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

18. The regulations may be added to, amended, or repealed at any regular or special meeting by a majority vote of the Academic Senate members present, provided that written notice of the proposed change shall have been sent to each member at least five academic days prior to the meeting at which the amendment is to be moved (Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

## **PART VII. PROCEDURES (Renum. 5-23-18)**

### 19. Definitions

In these Bylaws and Regulations, the term "academic days" shall mean days of instruction unless otherwise specified (Am. 6-4-84; Renum. 5-23-18).

### 20. Election of the Executive Committee

The secretary of the Executive Committee and the Rules and Jurisdiction Committee shall conduct elections with the assistance of such other tellers as they may deem necessary. The procedure shall be as follows: (Am. 6-1-67; 11-30-71; 5-30-79; Renum. 5-23-18)

#### (A) Manner of Election (Am. 5-23-18)

Ballots may be conducted by mail or electronically. The ballot shall be conducted by electronic means unless the Rules and Jurisdiction Committee determines that a mail ballot shall be employed instead. Throughout these bylaws the term "ballot" shall denote either a mail or electronic ballot. The only report that shall be generated is the overall result of the vote (Am. 5-23-18).

- (1) **Electronic Ballots:** If the ballot is conducted by electronic means, each voter shall receive access to a secure, on-line voting system. The voting system shall be designed to meet the following criteria: (Am. 5-23-18)

Except as provided otherwise for the election of members of the Representative Assembly, balloting shall be conducted as follows:

- (a) The system shall verify each voter's identity (Am. 5-23-18);
- (b) It shall not be possible for any person to determine how any individual has voted (Am. 5-23-18);
- (c) Once a vote has been cast, neither the voter nor any other person shall be able to change the vote (Am. 5-23-18); and
- (d) No person shall be able to determine the results of the election or the number of votes cast until after the voting deadline (Am. 5-23-18).

- (2) **Mail Ballots:** If the ballot is conducted by mail: (Am. 5-23-18)

A plain envelope shall accompany the ballot. The voter, after marking the ballot, must enclose the ballot in this envelope. A second envelope, addressed to the secretary, shall be provided in which the plain envelope shall be returned to the Secretary. Upon the envelope addressed to the secretary there shall be a space for the name and signature of the voter. No ballot shall be counted unless such signature appears on said envelope (Am. 11-30-71, 6-6-94, Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

#### (B) Notice of Election

The secretary shall send to each college member of the Academic Senate and Academic Federation a notice that nominations for Academic Senate members and Academic Federation representatives on the Executive Committee will be received by the secretary

during the next 20 academic days, specifying the date after which nominations will no longer be received. Nomination procedures for regular election to the Executive Committee shall be started annually by the secretary not later than the third Monday in March. The request for nominations shall state which of the college programmatic areas are to be represented by the nominees and shall list the Executive Committee holdovers, with departmental affiliation, college programmatic areas represented, and term remaining (Am. 6-1-67; 6-6-94; 6-5-96; 6-10-98; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

(C) Nominations

Academic Senate members for Executive Committee shall be nominated by Academic Senate members, and Academic Federation representatives for Executive Committee shall be nominated by Academic Federation members. Each nominating petition indicates the programmatic area that the nominee is to represent if elected. It shall also include a statement that the nominee will accept the nomination, and shall be recommended in writing (either on paper or by electronic message) by three members of the Academic Senate for a nomination to an Academic Senate vacancy or by three members of the Academic Federation for a nomination to an Academic Federation vacancy, with their departmental affiliations indicated. If nominations received do not provide a candidate for each vacancy, the Executive Committee shall solicit members from the Academic Senate and Academic Federation to fill the vacancies. If only one candidate is nominated for a particular vacancy, the Executive Committee will verify the candidate and fill the vacancy. (Am. 6-6-94; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

(D) Voting

Not more than ten academic days after the time for receiving nominations has expired, the secretary shall send a ballot to the college members of the Academic Senate and Academic Federation. This ballot shall consist of a list of the nominees, in an order determined by lot, and the programmatic area each nominee agrees to represent, together with the names and departmental affiliations of those nominating each. The ballot shall also list the names of the holdover members of the Executive Committee. All members of the Academic Senate will vote to elect Academic Senate nominees for each division within the college and all members of the Academic Federation will vote to elect Academic Federation nominees for each division within the college. (Am. 11-30-87; 6-6-94; 6-5-96; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

The ballot shall be accompanied by a statement that the ballot is to be submitted to the secretary within ten academic days and that specifies the date after which ballots will not be accepted. The statement shall also include instructions concerning the proper method of returning the ballot (Am. 6-9-05; 5-23-18).

(E) Counting the Ballots

The secretary shall deliver the ballots to the Rules and Jurisdiction Committee, who shall count them (Am. 5-30-79; 5-21-91; Renum. 5-23-18).

(F) Votes Required

For each place to be filled, the candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In cases of a tie vote, Rules and Jurisdiction Committee will determine the elected Executive Committee member by lot (Am. 11-30-71; 6-6-94; 6-5-96; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

(G) Ballot Validity

No paper ballot shall be valid on which more names of candidates to represent a given programmatic area have been marked than are called for by the ballot. Any voter who spoils a paper ballot may, by tearing it across once and returning it to the secretary, obtain another ballot (Renum. 11-30-71; Am. 6-6-94; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

(H) Vacancy in an Unexpired Term

The Executive Committee shall arrange to fill a vacancy in an unexpired term either by calling a special election or by appointment of the programmatic area candidate in the previous election, who received the next greatest number of votes after the successful candidate. If placement is filled by election, the Executive Committee can determine the length of term, but no longer than the normal three-year term (Am. 11-30-71; 11-21-72; 6-6-94; 6-10-98; Renum. 5-23-18).

(I) Announcement

Results of the election to the Executive Committee shall be announced at the spring meeting (Am. 11-30-71; Renum. 11-21-72; 5-27-77; 6-4-84; Renum. 5-23-18).

21. Ballots (Am. 5-28-70; 11-21-72; 6-4-84; 6-5-96; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18)

Other than election of members and representatives of the Executive Committee, only those items of business which have been considered at a meeting of the Executive Committee or annual meeting may be submitted to a ballot of the membership of the Academic Senate and/or Academic Federation.

(A) Issues related to matters under Academic Senate purview

- (1) Subject to this provision, a measure must be submitted to a ballot at the request of the Executive Committee.
- (2) Subject to this provision, a measure must be submitted to a ballot at the written request of 20 voting college members of the Academic Senate within ten academic days after the meeting at which the action was taken or the measure considered.

(B) Issues related to other matters

- (1) Subject to this provision, a measure must be submitted to a ballot at the request of the Executive Committee.
- (2) Subject to this provision, a measure must be submitted to a ballot at the written request of 20 voting college members of the Academic Senate and/or Academic Federation within ten academic days after the meeting at which the action was taken or the measure considered,

(C) Balloting shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures of Bylaw 20, insofar as these are applicable. Ballots shall be accompanied by all relevant texts and a brief summary of the arguments pro and con. In certifying the results, the number of affirmative votes, the number of negative votes, and the number of invalid ballots shall be reported.

## REGULATIONS OF THE COLLEGE

### PART I. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for certifying completion of graduation requirements and for recommending variances. The authority to certify completion may be delegated to the Deans or Associate Deans of the college. The authority to recommend variances may be delegated to the Student Actions and Commencement Awards Committee (Am. 5-23-18).

22. The degree of Bachelor of Science will be awarded to those candidates who satisfy the general university requirements (Academic Senate Reg. 630, 634, 636, and 638) and the requirements of the college (Reg. 23). (For an exception, see Academic Senate Reg. 642.) (Am. and Renum. 3-16-76; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

23. College Requirements (Renum. 3-16-76; 5-23-18)

(A) Each candidate must complete a program of study as prescribed in a major approved by the Undergraduate Majors and Courses Committee and published in the UC Davis General Catalog. The program of study constituting a major, as published in the General Catalog, shall include a specification of depth subject matter courses. The candidate must attain a grade point average of at least 2.000 for these courses. The candidate must complete all required courses for the major on a letter-graded basis, unless courses are only offered on a Passed/Not Passed basis (Am. 3-16-76; 5-13-83; 11-28-83; 2-14-84; 5-21-91; 6-10-98; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-9-05; 5-23-18; 5-16-19).

For Spring 2020, the requirement that courses within the majors of the CA&ES to be taken for a letter grade shall be waived **for students in good academic standing**. Courses taken for P/NP in satisfaction of major requirements will not be factored into a student's GPA calculation. This amendment shall be extended to apply to Summer Sessions I and II, 2020, Fall 2020, Winter 2021, Spring 2021, and Summer Sessions I and II, 2021 (Am. 6-4-20, 1-4-21, 3-18-21 and 6-17-21).

For Spring quarter 2020, an undergraduate student in the CA&ES who is not in good academic standing may opt to take specific major requirements on a Passed (P) or Not Passed (NP) basis up to the limits specified in the Davis Division Regulation A545(B) via petition and approval by the CA&ES Dean's office. Courses taken for P/NP in satisfaction of major requirements will not be factored into a student's GPA calculation. This amendment shall be extended to apply to Summer Sessions I and II, 2020, Fall 2020, Winter 2021, Spring 2021 and Summer Sessions I and II, 2021 (Am. 6-4-20, 1-4-21, 3-18-21, and 6-17-21).

(B) A minimum of 180 quarter units is required for the degree (Am. 11-26-90; 6-10-98)

(C) No more than 6 units of Physical Education 1 and/or 6 and no more than 20 units of Internship 92 and 192 and courses numbered 90X, 92, 97T, 97TC, 99, 190C, 190X, 192, 197T, 197TC or 199 may be counted toward the total of 180 units for the degree. A maximum of 12 units of Internship 92 and 192 is permitted. Credit will not be given for 192, 199 numbered courses prior to completion of 84 units (Am. 6-1-67; 5-24-77; 6-3-85; 5-21-91; 11-23-92; 6-10-98; 5-23-18).

(D) At least 54 of the 180 units must be in upper division or graduate courses except that a maximum of 9 units in graduate level courses (200 series) and professional courses (300 and 400 series) will be accepted toward satisfaction of this requirement (Am. 5-23-18).

(E) Satisfactory fulfillment of the English composition requirement. The English Composition requirement may be met in one of three ways: (Am. 5-23-18)

- (1) Either two courses emphasizing written expression or one course emphasizing written expression and one course emphasizing oral expression, with a grade of C- (or P) or better. The following UC Davis courses satisfy this requirement (Am. 5-23-18):
  - (a) One course must be selected from English 3, University Writing Program 1, 18, 19, 101, 102 series or 104 series (courses with primary emphasis in writing) (Am. 5-23-18); and
  - (b) One course selected from the courses not selected above, or from Communication 1, Comparative Literature 1, 2, 3, 4, or Native American Studies 5 (courses emphasizing either writing or speaking skills) (En. 5-28-75; Eff. Fall 1978; 6-3-85; Am. 11-26-90; 6-6-78; 6-1-95; 6-10-98; 6-9-99; 6-10-00; 5-23-18);
  
- (2) Advanced Placement English score of 4 of 5 PLUS any course listed in 1(a) or 1(b) above EXCEPT University Writing Program 1 or English 3 (En. 11-26-90; Am. 6-10-98; 5-23-18)

**OR**

- (3) by passing the English Composition Examination administered by the College of Letters and Science upon completion of 70 units of degree credit (the examination does not yield credit) (Am. 5-23-18).
- (F) Meet university residence requirement. No additional college residence requirements (En. 6-3-85, Am. 6-9-05, 5-23-18).
  - (G) University of California Extension courses can be used to satisfy graduation requirements only with approval of the dean, as long as the units are deemed as transferable units by the Undergraduate Admissions office. Only grade points from University of California, Davis extension courses, not extension courses from other campuses, will be counted toward the student's overall UC grade point average (En. 5-21-91, Am. 6-9-05, 5-23-18).
  - (H) It is the college policy that students may choose to fulfill the university, college, and major requirements as stated in any UC Davis General Catalog in effect at any time they were enrolled at UC Davis. If they transferred to UC Davis from another post-secondary institution of higher education (i.e., community college, college, or university), they may follow the requirements as stated in any UC Davis Catalog in effect either during the three years immediately preceding their transfer to Davis or at the time they first enrolled at that prior institution, whichever is most recent. Once they have chosen the year of the General Catalog under which they wish to be governed, they must satisfy all of the university, college, and major requirements specified in that catalog (En. 5-21-91; Am. 6-10-98, Am. 6-9-05).
  - (I) Undergraduate students may not exceed 225 units; registration for enrollment when the limit has been reached may only be approved by the dean (En. 6-10-98, Eff. Fall 1998).

#### 24. Majors

The requirements for a major normally originate with the Academic Senate of a department (departmental majors) or an undergraduate group (interdepartmental or intercollege majors) and are finally approved for the Academic Senate of the college by the Undergraduate Majors and Courses Committee. An acceptable major prescribes a plan of study designed to explore an area

systematically, to assure that all students pursuing that major will acquire specified common knowledge while being encouraged in pursuit of their individual educational goals. An approved new major or modification of an existing major shall not become effective until published in the UC Davis General Catalog or a supplement (En. 3-16-76; 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-10-98; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

25. Multiple Majors (Renum. 5-23-18)

- (A) A student in good academic standing and with a minimum grade point average of 2.000 in all upper division courses taken so far may elect to declare simultaneously more than one major within the college or a combination of majors offered by the college and other undergraduate colleges on campus. Declaration of multiple majors is subject to the approval of the departments, programs or divisions in charge of the majors involved and the dean of the college (Am. 6-9-05, 5-20-22).
- (B) Combinations of majors offered by a single department, program or division are not allowed (Am. 6-9-05).
- (C) Approval of a request to declare more than one major is subject to the criteria for specifying minimal overlap between the programs: (Am. 6-9-05)
  - (1) Eighty percent of the upper division units offered in satisfaction of course and unit requirements of each major must be unique; that is, they may not be offered in satisfaction toward the upper division unit requirements of any of the other selected majors. Courses with substantial overlap in content will not count as part of the 80 percent.
  - (2) Departmental advisors may approve only one course for substitution when considering the 80 percent in upper division courses and units required for each major (Am. 6-9-05).
  - (3) When unit requirements of the majors included in a request differ, the major with the smaller number of upper division units required should be used to compute the minimal unit difference that must be met (En. 5-1-03).

26. Minors (En. 5-21-91; Renum 2-22-94; 5-23-18)

- (A) A minor will normally consist of a minimum of 18 to 24 units of upper division work. A grade point average of at least 2,000 is required for courses taken to fulfill the minor. The Passed/Not Passed option cannot be used for courses taken to fulfill minor requirements, unless the required course is only offered passed/not passed (En. 5-21-91; Am. 5-16-19).

For Spring 2020, the requirement that courses within the minors of the CA&ES to be taken for a letter grade shall be waived **for students in good academic standing**. Courses taken for P/NP in satisfaction of minor requirements will not be factored into a student's GPA calculation. This amendment shall be extended to apply to Summer Sessions I and II, 2020, Fall 2020, Winter 2021, Spring 2021 and Summer Sessions I and II, 2021 (Am. 6-4-20, 1-4-21, 3-18-21 and 6-17-21).

For Spring quarter 2020, an undergraduate student in the CA&ES who is not in good academic standing may opt to take specific minor requirements on a Passed (P) or Not Passed (NP) basis up to the limits specified in the Davis Division Regulation A545(B) via petition and approval by the CA&ES Dean's office. Courses taken for P/NP in satisfaction of minor requirements will not be factored into a student's GPA calculation. This amendment shall be extended to apply to Summer Sessions I and II, 2020, Fall 2020,

Winter 2021, Spring 2021 and Summer Sessions I and II, 2021 (Am. 6-4-20,1-4-21, 3-18-21 and 6-17-21).

- (B) Only one lower division course can be used to satisfy the 18 unit requirement for a minor (En. 5-21-91).
- (C) Only one course can be used to satisfy the requirements of both a major and a minor field (En. 5-21-91).
- (D) No course can be used to satisfy the requirements of more than one minor (En. 5-21-91).
- (E) A student may obtain more than one minor provided the applicable guidelines are allowed (En. 5-21-91).
- (F) Transfer units will not normally be used to satisfy minor requirements. Exceptions will require approval by the student's advisor (En. 5-21-91; Am. 6-10-98; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).
- (G) Students in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences may obtain a minor in another college provided that minor program has been approved by the appropriate Academic Senate committee of that college (En. 5-21-91; Renum. 5-23-18).
- (H) Satisfactory completion of a minor program shall be certified by the student's advisor. A student wishing to have a program certified and entered onto a transcript shall file electronically the appropriate form from the student portal and obtain certification from his/her advisor and the dean's office. The filing deadline shall coincide with the deadline for filing the major certification (En. 5-21-91; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).



## **PART II. STUDY PLAN APPROVAL AND MAJOR CERTIFICATION (Am. 5-21-91; 6-10-98; 6-9-05)**

### **27. Academic Advising**

Each department or undergraduate group develops its own program and procedures to provide academic advising for its students and for compliance with Regulation 31. Each major has one Lead Faculty Advisor who provides academic leadership in teaching and advising relative to that major. Faculty advisors are appointed by the Lead Faculty Advisor for the major. A faculty advisor must be either a member of the Academic Senate or the Academic Federation. Students should be encouraged to consult regularly with their advisors regarding their proposed study plans and other matters of concern (En. 3-16-76; 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-10-98; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18, Am. 5-20-22).

### **28. (A) Major Declaration**

A student must declare a major once they complete 90 units. If a student changes their major once they complete 135 units, they must obtain approval by the Dean's Office. Filing a plan does not preclude subsequent change of major or other modifications of the plan, determined in consultation with the student's faculty advisor. Registration in the college for future quarters shall be denied students who do not comply with this regulation (Am. 5-16-72; 5-30-74; 3-16-76; 5-21-91; 6-10-98; Renum. 3-16-76; 2-22-91; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

### **(B) Major Certification**

A major certification is completed by the tenth day of instruction in the quarter a student plans to graduate. At that time the faculty advisor and the graduating advisee verify that all major requirements have been completed. If all major requirements have not been met, the faculty advisor indicates the courses the student must complete with acceptable grades for courses in progress to meet all major requirements. The dean's office completes the degree certification by verifying that all college and university requirements have been satisfied. The dean's office will send each Lead Faculty Advisor a quarterly listing of all students who filed for candidacy through the Office of the University Registrar (En. 6-10-98; Am. 6-9-05, Am. and Renum. 5-23-18, Am. 5-20-22).

### **29. Add/Drop/Passed/Not Passed - After the Deadline**

The dean of the college is designated by the Academic Senate as its agent in acting upon petitions of students to add/drop courses, to elect passed/not passed grading, or to revert back to letter grade after the deadline, such actions to be in accordance with Davis Division guidelines and with policies recommended by the Student Actions and Commencement Awards Committee. The passed/not passed option must not be used for major requirements, unless the required courses is only offered passed/not passed (En. 3-16-76; Am. 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94, Am. 6-9-05; Am. 6-7-07; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18; Am. 5-16-19).

### **30. Academic Probation or Disqualification**

Academic probation or disqualification of students in the college shall be governed by the Academic Senate regulations regarding scholastic status (Academic Senate Reg. 900 and 902) and by the Davis Division regulations regarding incomplete grades (Davis Division Reg. A540) and minimum progress (Davis Division Reg. A540 and A552). The dean of the college is designated by the Academic Senate as its agent in administering these regulations, in conformance with policies recommended by the Student Actions and Commencement Awards Committee. The dean may request, from the student's advisor or the Lead Faculty Advisor for the major, advice about any case involving probation or disqualification (En. 3-16-72; Am. 5-21-91; Renum. 2-22-94; Am. 6-9-05; Am. 6-7-07; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18, Am. 5-20-22).

### PART III. HONORS

31. The Student Actions and Commencement Awards Committee shall administer the regulations regarding undergraduate honors, and the Graduate Education Committee shall administer the regulations regarding graduate honors in the college (Renum. 3-16-76;2-22-94; Am. 5-21-91; 6-6-94; 6-9-05; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18).

32. Undergraduate Honors

The Dean's Honors List includes the names of all students in the college who, in the preceding term, have completed at least 12 units on the Davis campus and who meet the minimum grade point average standard set for all work undertaken in the university by the Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships, Honors, and Prizes of the Davis Division of the Academic Senate.

Senior students in honors status have the privilege of taking courses in the 194H series entitled "Special Study for Honors Students" (Renum. 3-16-76; 2-22-94; Am. 6-6-94; Renum. 5-23-18).

33. Honors with the Bachelor's Degree

The graduating students who complete their academic work with distinction may be recommended for honors, high honors, or highest honors in accordance with the minimum standards prescribed by the Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships, Honors, and Prizes of the Davis Division of the Academic Senate. The names of students to whom honors, high honors, or highest honors have been awarded are published in the commencement program, and the distinction is noted on their transcripts and diplomas. Students who have earned less than 45 units at the University of California are not eligible for consideration. Units earned on a passed/not passed basis shall be counted in the total units required for honors, but shall be disregarded in determining the student's grade point average (Renum. 3-16-76; 2-22-94; Am. and Renum. 5-23-18; Am. 5-16-19).

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