

**University of Rhode Island  
Council for Research  
Report on Continuing Centers**

During the 2008-09 academic year and the fall semester 2009, the Council for Research reviewed the following Centers in accordance with section 8.90.22 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL and recommends that the Faculty Senate approve their continuing authorization:

1. **Center for Human Services (CHS)**, Dr. John Boulmetis, Director.  
Reports to Dean, College of Human Science and Services
2. **Child Development Center**, Ms. Susan Warford, Director.  
Reports to Department of Human Development and Family Studies
3. **State Crime Laboratory**, Mr. Dennis C. Hilliard, Director.  
Reports to Dean, College of Pharmacy/State Crime Laboratory Commission
4. **Gerontology Program**, Dr. Phillip Clark, Director.  
Reports to Dean, College of Human Science and Services.
5. **John Hazen White Sr. Center For Ethics and Public Service**, Dr. Alfred Killilea and Dr. Maureen Moakley, Directors. Reports to Dean, College of Arts and Sciences.
6. **Center for School Improvement and Educational Policy** (formerly National Center on Public Education and Social Policy), Dr. Anne M. Seitsinger.  
Reports to Dean, College of Human Science and Services.

The Council for Research recommends that section 8.90.30 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL be amended by replacing seven years with four years

**8.90.30 Review.** Once granted continuing status, centers, including institutes, bureaus, and partnerships, shall be reviewed every ~~seven~~ **four** years by the Council for Research who shall submit recommendations, including recommendations for further continuation or dissolution, to the Faculty Senate based on overall program quality, research, outreach, or educational contributions, financial support of student involvement, interdepartmental or intercollege involvement, and continued external funding, as appropriate for the mission and goals of the center.

**\*8.90.22 Continuing Authorization for Centers.** Continuing authorization to operate centers, institutes, bureaus, or partnerships, including authorization to operate after an initial three-year period described in 8.90.21, shall be subject to review by units and departments involved in the center as well as review by the colleges of the involved departments during their third year. Following college review, proposals shall be forwarded with departmental and college recommendations to the Council For Research for consideration. The Council shall recommend to the Faculty Senate action on center proposals based on program quality, research, outreach, or educational activities, involvement of undergraduate and graduate students,

interdepartmental or intercollege connections, and potential for continued external funding, as appropriate for the mission and goals of the center.