

## UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND FACULTY SENATE

Proposed Manual Changes to Descriptions of:

### **The University College and General Education (UCGE) Committee and The Undergraduate Academic Advising Committee (UAAC)**

**4.65 ~~University College and General Education Committee.~~** This committee shall ~~review and make policy recommendations to the Faculty Senate on all matters pertaining to the University College, such as admissions policy, length of time to be spent in the college, advanced standing, transfer students, advisement and counselling;~~ study and make recommendations to the Faculty Senate regarding the establishment, modification or abolition of General Education requirements for graduation to be applicable to degree candidates; consider other programs pertaining to the General Education Program and evaluate the effectiveness of the program; maintain liaison with the Curricular Affairs Committee and the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee for mutual information and joint action, and with the University administration for effective implementation of approved recommendations.

**4.66** The committee shall comprise four (4) representatives from the College of Arts and Sciences and one from each of the other ~~undergraduate~~ colleges and schools of the University, one from the University Libraries; ~~the Dean of University College and Special for Academic Success Programs, the Associate Dean of the College of Continuing Education or his/her designated representative,~~ the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs or his/her designated representative, the Vice President for Student Affairs or his/her designated representative, and two representatives of the student body appointed by the Student Senate. The representatives of the colleges and schools shall be selected for their knowledge of general education and their experience with advising undergraduate students. The faculty members shall be chosen by the Chairperson of the Senate and confirmed by the Senate in the same way as other standing committees of the Senate, except that they shall be named from a list of nominees two of whom shall be provided for each vacancy by the faculty of the college or school being represented, who shall nominate them in a manner to be determined by each college or school faculty. The Chairperson of the Senate shall consult with the dean of a college or school before making his/her final decision. The list of nominees shall be presented to the new Chairperson of the Senate when he/she is elected in the spring.

**4.67** The Chairperson ~~and Vice Chairperson~~ shall be appointed by the Chairperson ~~of~~ the Senate and approved by Senate. The terms ~~of~~ the Chairperson ~~and Vice Chairperson~~ shall be for two (2) years. Terms of faculty members shall be for three (3) years, with approximately one-third expiring each year. Terms of student members shall be for one year. Members may succeed themselves once. Members who do not complete their terms shall be replaced for the remainder of their terms following the same procedures outlined in 4.66.

**4.68** Any faculty member or faculty committee is permitted to request, in writing, consideration by the committee of a General Education item provided that the dean of the college and the college curriculum committee receive a copy of the request. Both the dean and the curriculum

committee may attach their comments to the request. If the request concerns a specific course, it should be accompanied by a complete course outline.

4.69 The University College and General Education Committee shall be responsible for the assessment of General Education student learning outcomes. The UC General Education Committee shall appoint a Subcommittee on General Education Assessment (SAGE) which includes is comprised of faculty members who represent the university in similar numbers and distribution as the General Education Committee and who have interest and expertise in assessment of learning outcomes and faculty who represent the General Education outcome core areas, as well as rRepresentatives from the UC General Education Ccommittee may serve on the Subcommittee. This Subcommittee shall develop a process and be responsible for assessing General Education learning outcomes on a continuing basis. The Subcommittee shall report at least once each semester to the University College and General Education Committee. The UC General Education Committee will forward subsequent recommendations to the Faculty Senate for approval. #05-06--15

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4.30 The Undergraduate Academic Advising Committee (UAAC) shall be responsible for coordinating advisor training to develop and improve university-wide advisement, ensuring that all academic advisors are informed and trained in best practices in advising, as well as in the university's academic requirements. The Committee shall also facilitate assessment of university-wide advising and make policy recommendations to the Faculty Senate on matters pertaining to the University College for Academic Success, such as admissions policy, length of time to be spent in the college, advanced standing, transfer students, advisement and counseling. #12-13—34

4.31 The committee shall comprise four faculty representatives from the College of Arts and Sciences, one faculty representative each from the Colleges of Business Administration, Engineering, Human Science and Services, Nursing, Pharmacy, the Environment and Life Sciences, and the University Library; a representative of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Dean of University College and Special for Academic Success Programs or designee and the Associate Dean of the Alan Shawn Feinstein College of Continuing Education or designee; two representatives of the student body appointed by the Student Senate and one student representative appointed by the ASFCCE Student Government Board. The representatives of the colleges shall be selected for their experience with and knowledge of academic advising. The faculty of each college shall elect representatives to 3-year staggered terms. The Chairperson shall be a faculty member chosen by the Chairperson of the Senate and confirmed by the Senate in the same manner as other standing committees of the Senate. The list of faculty representatives shall be presented to the new Chairperson of the Senate when he/she is elected in the spring. The committee shall be named promptly thereafter. #12-13--34

4.32 Terms shall be for three years, with approximately one-third expiring each year, and provision for establishing this rotation shall be made by the Chairperson of the Senate with the appointment of the first committee membership, by shortening the initial term of one-third of the members to one year and one-third to two years. Members may succeed themselves once. #12-13—34

4.33 The term of the Chairperson shall be two years. #12-13—34