

Faculty Senate Motion Log AY 2020 – 2021

Subject	Description	Date
Senate Elections	The Senate elected the Executive Council Members for 2020 - 2021	10/5/20
Bylaws – ACC Membership	The Senate approved a motion to change the bylaws to appoint a Graduate School faculty member to ACC.	10/19/20
ADEI	The Senate passed a motion to request that the ACC produce a summary of current major admission processes, as put forth in the Black Student Organization (BSO) document of June 2020.	10/19/20
ADEI	The Senate passed a motion request that the ACC identify equitable major-application models, particularly with respect to reversing systemic racial bias, that units might consider adopting, as put forth in the BSO document.	10/19/20
ADEI	The Senate passed a motion to request that the UPRC request, receive, and review budgetary information regarding the University Police Department budget and expenditures, as put forth in the BSO document.	10/19/20
ADEI	The Senate passed a motion that the UPRC put in place mechanisms to make certain that all RFPs reflect the values of WWU, and that these standards are deeply embedded in the vendor selection process, as put forth in the BSO document.	10/19/20
ADEI	The Senate passed a motion to request a more robust accounting of the use of federal grant money, especially CARES and GEER.	10/19/20
ADEI	The Senate passed a motion (to approve of the call by Black Student Organizations, as made in their statement of June 2020, to confer university-wide recognition of Black History Month, MLK Day, and Juneteenth, and to echo the students' call for their celebration to be supported through appropriate public programming, including the bringing of	10/19/20

	Black speakers and artists to campus, that is adequately and generously funded on an annual basis by the university.	
Admissions – SAT/ACT Scores	The Senate passed a motion to approve a proposal from Enrollment and Student Services to make permanent the current temporary policy of making SAT/ACT scores optional for first-year admissions.	11/2/20
Grading	The Senate approved a motion to replace K grades on a student’s transcript after a letter grade is submitted.	11/2/20
Libraries	The Senate voted to support the Senate Library Committee motion concerning its collections budget: This motion supports the Western Libraries’ efforts to place the Collections Budget on a sustainable, and growing, budget; advocates a permanent addition to the Libraries’ base collection budget of \$200,000 along with annual increases of 4.5% to the total collections budget; and encourages UPRC to advocate adequate Libraries’ collections funding to meet Western’s teaching and research mission.	11/30/20
Outreach and Continuing Education Committee	The Senate passed a motion to approve changes to the Senate Extended Education Committee’s name and charge. The name will be changed from the Senate Extended Education Committee to the Senate Outreach and Continuing Education Committee. The charge will also be modified to “provide oversight of Outreach and Continuing Education curricular review processes as necessary or charge and oversee a curriculum committee to so do.”	11/30/20
Course Evaluations	The Senate approved a motion to move the course evaluation deadline to Friday of final exam week.	1/25/21
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Grading	The Senate passed a motion that allows students to opt for an EP/NP grade after week 7 in case of hardship for winter quarter by contacting their instructor. The	2/8/21

	faculty member assents by forwarding the grade mode request to the Registrar's Office.	
Grading	The Senate adopted a motion allowing students to opt for an EP/NP grade after week 10 in case of hardship for spring quarter by contacting their instructor. The motion preserves the possibility for hardship opt-in after this date.	2/8/21
Grading	The Senate adopted a motion allowing students to opt for an EP/NP grade until July 23 in case of hardship for summer quarter by contacting their instructor. The motion preserves the possibility for hardship opt-in after this date.	2/8/21
ACC - Curriculog	The Senate approved a new ACC process for large-scale/multiple-impact changes in Curriculog. If there is a change that will affect 10 or more courses or programs in the same way, the new process is that you do not need separate Curriculog changes for each one.	2/22/21
UPRC Membership	<p>The Senate passed the following motions from UPRC relating to its membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>To recommend changing division VPs from ex officio (voting) to advisory (non-voting) membership status.</i> • <i>To recommend a designated Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) perspective on UPRC via the designation of at least two seats, ideally appointing via a mechanism that ensures the appointed individual(s) have a mechanism for engaging broadly with relevant communities and constituencies.</i> • <i>To recommend adding two staff positions to the UPRC, with one specifically belonging to Washington Federation of State Employees.</i> 	2/22/21
Religious Accommodation	The Senate approved a motion to return proposed religious accommodation language in the teaching handbook to the ACC for further review.	4/12/21
UPRC Membership	The Senate passed a motion to submit a proposed UPRC membership change to the full faculty. The proposal	4/26/21

	includes minor language changes to clarify membership of UPRC and would add an at-large faculty member charged with representing Diversity/Equity/Inclusion concerns.	
Grading	<p>The Senate approved a motion to approve the following policy:</p> <p>Regarding eligibility for cum laude or magna cum laude status upon graduation, the requirement for 65 letter-graded credits while in junior or senior standing (i.e., after 90 credits) will be waived for Spring and Summer 2021 for all students with at least one EP class while in junior or senior standing. This waiver shall also apply to any graduates prior to Spring 2021 with at least one EP class while in junior or senior standing. The Faculty Senate will work with the Registrar's Office to determine possible policy changes for Fall 2021 and beyond.</p>	5/24/21
Senate Elections	<p>The Senate accepted nominations and voted to approve the following appointments to the Senate Executive Council for AY 2021-2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lysa Rivera as VP and President-Elect • Brandon Dupont as Secretary • Alex Czopp as Elections and Appointments Officer • Jose Serrano Moreno as At-Large Senator • Bidisha Biswas as Faculty Legislative Representative 	6/7/21
Course Modalities	The Senate passed a motion to recommend extending the moratorium on permanent course modality changes to make it a one-year moratorium.	6/7/21
Course Withdrawal	The Senate passed a motion to make a temporary policy change for Fall 2021 to eliminate the two-withdrawal privilege policy.	6/7/21