

2/26/2021

Academic Senate
Santa Cruz Division

Dear Colleagues,

I write to invite you to the Winter Senate meeting on Wednesday, March 3, from 2:30 to 5:00pm, via ZOOM. The agenda for the meeting may be viewed on the [Academic Senate website](#).

As always, both the Chancellor and CPEVC will offer remarks, followed by Q&A.

The Senate Executive Committee has added an agenda item intended to provide faculty with a chance to surface issues related to curricular planning for fall quarter. The Committee on Educational Policy (CEP), Committee on Courses of Instruction (CCI), and Graduate Council (GC) have delegated authority for approval of remote offering of courses to course sponsoring agencies for fall 2021. Fully online courses continue to require review and approval by CCI. Noting that students may have difficulties meeting some program requirements during the pandemic, CEP, CCI, and GC are also prepared to receive and review in a timely way any requests from department chairs and program directors for temporary modifications of program requirements resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Faculty are also encouraged to raise issues related to the resumption of research on or off campus, and the research of their graduate advisees.

The agenda includes the ever-informative Committee on Academic Personnel Annual Report for 2019-20, legislation which clarifies the process by which all representatives are appointed to Senate committees, and a report from the UC Santa Cruz Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR) X. Prochaska. The FAR is in charge of providing oversight of the academic integrity of the athletics program and serving as an advocate for student athlete well-being.

Undoubtedly, updates on the campus' continuing response to COVID-19 will be a topic of discussion. I would point faculty to the campus message of February 18, 2021 for updates on the campus vaccination roll-out and to the APO website for other [COVID-19-related academic employee resources](#).

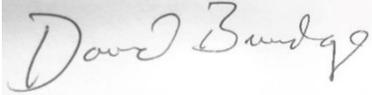
The Systemwide Academic Senate has also been offered an opportunity to provide input to the ongoing review of the [Proposed Revisions to Universitywide Police Policies and Administrative Procedures \(the "Gold Book"\)](#). Since this relates to ongoing discussions of policing on our campus, I wanted you all to be aware that this review is already underway.

I look forward to seeing you at next week's meeting. I want to recognize the hard work of the faculty and students in responding to the unique challenges of remote learning. I also want to give credit to the tireless efforts of the staff in Information Technology, CITL,

Online Education, and in all our programs, divisions, and departments who have gone above and beyond to support the work of faculty all year.

Thank you for your efforts and collaboration!

Sincerely,
David Brundage, Chair

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