

May 13, 2021

Academic Senate
Santa Cruz Division

Dear Colleagues,

I write to invite you to the Spring Senate meeting on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 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.

As a consent agenda item on the agenda you will find an *In Memoriam* report prepared by the Committee on Emeriti Relations (CER), which will list the names of recently deceased colleagues who were Senate members at the time of death. It may also, at the discretion of the Chair of the Senate, include names of other colleagues. The Academic Senate remembers our colleagues who have passed away between March 1, 2020 and February 28, 2021, and extends condolences to their families, friends, and colleagues.

I am happy to announce that GC Chair Don Smith and CPB Chair Dard Neuman will present an oral summary report on the *Joint Senate-Administration Working Group on Graduate Education Final Report: March 2021*. I think that members will find the report thought provoking, and I anticipate an involved discussion on this topic and next steps the campus can take to support the graduate mission. The report was disseminated via the senate@ucsc.edu email on April 23, 2021 and it is enclosed in the CALL. On a related note, the Senate Executive Committee recently authored a [memo](#) to the CPEVC endorsing CPB's [recommendations](#) related to graduate student cost of attendance and cost of living.

The Committees on Courses of Instruction (CCI), Educational Policy (CEP), and Graduate Council (GC) will be presenting revisions to the Online Course Policy that will be effected for next academic year. The Committee on Career Advising (CCA) will then discuss its plan to conduct a fall faculty survey. CCA Chair Adrian Brasoveanu will provide specific background on the goals of the survey.

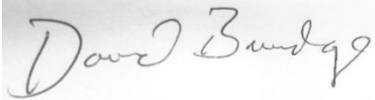
At the March 3, 2021 Senate Meeting, in the comment period regarding proposed changes to the Senate's Bylaws governing representative appointment procedures, there was a discussion of SUA and GSA engagement in the process. I want to report that both the Senate Committee on Committees (COC) and I have been in collaboration with the SUA on this important topic. On April 7, 2021, the SUA submitted a proposal to postpone further consideration of this topic until Fall Quarter, 2021. We agreed to this request. These are important issues and the Senate COC is committed to working with both SUA and GSA on their resolution.

In follow-up to my letter preceding the March 3, 2021 Senate meeting, the Academic Council has concluded its summary recommendations for the systemwide Senate review

of the [Proposed Revisions to Universitywide Police Policies and Administrative Procedures](#).

I look forward to seeing you at next week's meeting and thank you for your dedication, hard work, and collaboration this year!

Sincerely,
David Brundage, Chair

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