

Proposal for New Committee Under Academic Affairs Council:**Article VI, Section 3. Council on Academic Affairs**

A. Charge: Coordinates the creation and consideration of policy in the area of academic affairs, including but not limited to instructional policies, academic standards, honors programs, and the academic calendar. Coordinates the policy proposals of the Committee on Curriculum, the Committee on Academic Standards and Admissions and the Committee on Outcomes Assessment.

B. Committees of the Council on Academic Affairs**5. Committee on U.S. Diversity Course Requirement**

- a. Charge: Approves courses proposed to satisfy the U.S. Diversity Course Requirement for undergraduate students.

- b. Membership-Voting: The voting members of the committee will be a chair and a faculty member from each college. Candidates for the chair position must demonstrate disciplinary expertise in fields associated with diversity in education, as evidenced by their terminal degree, research agenda, teaching expertise, or a combination of these criteria. This expertise for the chair position will be evaluated by the Academic Affairs Council. It is recommended that all committee members can exhibit some expertise in the area of diversity.

Non-voting: Nonvoting ex officio members will be the vice president of student affairs (or designate), the associate vice president of student affairs (or designate), a representative of the Government of the Student Body, a representative of the Multicultural Student Leadership Council, and a representative from the Graduate and Professional Student Senate. The student representatives are appointed by their respective student governing bodies.

- c. Term of Office: Committee members will be appointed for a three-year term, renewable for a maximum of six years.

Academic Affairs Council Vote: 8-0-0