

COMMITTEE: Admissions & Retention Policies

MEETING DATE: October 1, 2018

PERSON PRESIDING: Jay Newhard

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jay Newhard, Guglielmo Fucci, Eli Hvastkovs, Jason Mose, and David Hisle, Mary Tucker-McLaughlin, Lori Flint

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: John Fletcher, Jayne Geissler

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Lori Lee

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Approval of the minutes of the August meeting

Action Taken: Jay Newhard moved that the minutes of the August meeting be approved by the committee. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Agenda Item: Revisions to the Academic Integrity Policy

Discussion: The Academic Integrity Board recently reviewed the Academic Integrity Policy contained in the ECU Faculty Manual, Part VI, Section II. The committee has been asked to review the recommended changes and propose new ones whenever appropriate. There were a few issues with the revised version of the Academic Integrity Policy brought to the attention of the committee.

In the revised version of the policy it is proposed to eliminate the second appeal for academic integrity violations. A question was asked on why a second appeal was introduced in the first place. In general second appeals can be put forth if there is new information that was not available before.

Another question expressed the concern that if second appeals are eliminated and a legitimate case arises that would warrant a second appeal then the policy would be deficient. However it was pointed out that generally all the evidence about academic integrity violations is available through the first appeal. The committee agreed that eliminating the second appeal would be appropriate.

The committee discussed the possibility of adding language to the revised policy about violations that involve students in different sections or students that have taken the class in different semesters.

Also, the possibility of including cases of academic violations involving sources external to the University was discussed by the committee.

The committee however did not propose specific additions to the policy regarding the issues raised above. An additional issue was raised about the definitions of academic dishonesty. There are two sets of definitions, one for coursework and one for research. It was pointed out that the two definitions might be confusing. However after a discussion it was agreed that there were definitions that are specific to research endeavors and would not necessarily appear in normal coursework. Finally, a potential problem was put forth regarding who should report instances of academic violation to OSRR. On further review of the revised policy, a procedure to report academic dishonesty to ORSS for Faculty, Staff, and Students was outlined.

Newhard pointed out that the revised policy needed some editorial changes which he agreed to do.

Action Taken: Jason Mose moved to approve the revised version of the Academic Integrity Policy with the editorial amendments pointed out by the chair. Eli Hvastkovs seconded the motion. The committee unanimously approved the motion.

Agenda Item: ACE credits

Discussion: Jayne Geissler provided a brief update on ACE credits. For now the office of Student Veteran Services relays the request for transfer credit to the affected Department. Each Department then reviews the Military credits and decides if those credits can transfer.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm

NEXT MEETING: November 5, 2018