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**SENATE DIVISION CHAIRS  
SYSTEMWIDE SENATE COMMITTEE CHAIRS  
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**Re: Proposed change to [Bylaw 170](#), UCEP**

Dear colleagues:

At its May 2009 meeting, the Academic Council unanimously approved sending for systemwide review UCEP's proposal to change its bylaw in order to expand its charge. Given that no systemwide Senate committee is charged to address issues of undergraduate student welfare from a faculty perspective, UCEP requests that its charge be expanded to encompass this subject. At the May Council meeting, UCEP's chair noted that the purpose of the revised charge is to enable UCEP to initiate studies of student affairs topics of interest to the committee which are currently beyond the scope of its purview. Please note that UCEP does not intend to address all student affairs issues. Because this request would require legislation to change the bylaws, it must undergo systemwide review.

UCEP's request to Council, including the proposed change in the language of the bylaw, is enclosed. Please send your comments to [senatereview@ucop.edu](mailto:senatereview@ucop.edu) by Monday, **December 7, 2009**.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry C. Powell".

Henry C. Powell, Chair  
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May 12, 2009

MARY CROUGHAN, CHAIR  
ACADEMIC COUNCIL

**Re: CHANGE IN THE CHARGE FOR UCEP**

Dear Mary,

Most of the division senate committees and subcommittees have counterparts at the systemwide level to provide a bigger picture view of the various activities of concern to the senate. However, it appears that 'student affairs' or 'student welfare' is one area for which there is no systemwide senate committee that is charged to bring a faculty perspective to this topic that is of great concern to our undergraduate students.

Student affairs can encompass a wide range of interests such as athletics, housing, financial aid, counseling, health (mental and physical), parking, entertainment, etc. While issues concerning some of these various topics in regard to undergraduates are sometimes referred to UCEP, most fall well outside our charge (and the charge of other systemwide committees). Though the Coordinating Committee for Graduate Affairs (CCGA) has no formal charge to consult on matters of *graduate* student affairs, such consultation is at least implied in the committee name. This is not the case for the University Committee on Educational Policy where neither the charge nor the name indicates consultation on undergraduate student welfare is in our purview. Therefore we suggest the attached change to the UCEP charge. This specifically indicates that UCEP is charged to focus in undergraduate educational policy and items that concern the general welfare of undergraduate students.

Sincerely,

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Stephen R. McLean, Chair  
UCEP

## **Current UCEP bylaw**

### **170. Educational Policy**

Duties. Consistent with [Bylaw 40](#), the Committee shall: (Am 28 May 2003)

1. Consider and report on matters referred to it by the President of the University, the Assembly, a Division, or any Senate committee.
2. Initiate appropriate studies and make reports thereon to the President, the Assembly, or any Division, on the establishment or disestablishment of curricula, colleges, schools, departments, institutes, bureaus, and the like, and on legislation or administrative policies of a fundamental character involving questions of educational policy. (Am 15 Jun 71)
3. Approve UC undergraduate courses as system-wide courses to be listed in Divisional catalogues. (En 10 Nov 04)

## **Revised UCEP Bylaw**

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