

William Paterson University Faculty Senate Councils
Year-End Report

Academic Year 2022-2023

1. Council: Academic Standards Council

2. Council Members:

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences: Maria Kromidas

College of Business: Bahar Ashnai

College of Education: Sam Fancera

College of Science and Health: Joset Brown

Library: Richard Kearney

Professional Staff: Tom Nemeth

Adjunct at-Large: Marie Springer

Administration: Sandra Hill

3. Council Charges and Summary of Activities:

Standing Charges:

1. Review and recommend policy for the adoption, implementation and enforcement of educational and academic standards.
2. Review and recommend policy for the adoption, implementation and enforcement of educational and academic standards in curricular issues.
3. Liaise with university officials responsible for all academic policy matters to conduct an ongoing review of their effectiveness.

Priority Charges for AY 2022-2023:

1. Review and provide feedback on specific policies in need of updating.
2. Establish criteria for judging the effectiveness of specific academic policies.
3. Identify responsible offices and timelines to conduct the council's review of specific academic policies.

2022-2023 Summary of Activities: The Council has met five times between October 2022 and March 2023 and made progress on the following:

- The Council reviewed two proposed policies from the administration:
 - The administration's draft language for the Academic Integrity Policy approved by the Senate last year; and
 - A new proposed Transfer Credit Policy

and provided feedback to the Senate. The Transfer Credit Policy was presented to the full Senate at its meeting on February 28, 2023 and approved by Senate vote.

- The Council met with a representative of the Governance Council to assist with its report on the alignment of Council Standing Charges in the Bylaws, on the Senate website, and within various Senate documents.
- The Council commenced work on its priority charges by compiling an inventory of all academic policies and their current status/availability. This inventory was based in the first instance on the “Academic and Related Regulations” section of the final printed Undergraduate Catalog [2008-2010] and identified 26 specific policies. This work will continue next year.

5. Recommended Charges for the Next Academic Year:

1. Review and provide feedback on specific policies in need of updating.
2. Establish criteria for judging the effectiveness of specific academic policies.
3. Identify responsible offices and timelines to conduct the council’s review of specific academic policies.

6. Please provide suggestions for how the council can be better utilized in the next year:

- No new suggestions at this time.