

ACADEMIC SENATE – Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities Committee

Winter 2018

Due: Wednesday, March 28 2018

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CHARGES	
Charge	Status/Notes
Revisit report on encouraging RSCA committee recommendation.	The committee is looking at details of the past work from this committee (with different membership). The issues currently under consideration are discussed in the Notes.
Discuss relationship between high-impact practices (HIPS) and service learning on undergraduate research. Academic year 2017-2018	Committee recognizes the excellent work from CoSAM in this area and will look to find ideas that may be transferable to other disciplines. See other relevant issues under discussion in the committee below.

NOTES/Meeting Minutes (Meeting on 3/7/18):

Following members were present:

Alexander, O’Hara, Kitts, Pande.

In the meeting on 3/7/2018 the committee revisited report on encouraging RSCA committee recommendation found at:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/hsp6i95qqmj75jh/R%26PD%20at%20Cal%20Poly%20SLO_10-7-2011.pdf?dl=0

- Chris Kitts (Interim Dean of Research) will get the latest data on Research Funding, Student involvement in research and try to place Cal Poly among the CSU system. The data were provided to the committee chair on March 27.
- The members discussed the following recommendations from the document produced by a past iteration of this committee.
 1. Rebalance the present workload distribution so each tenured/ tenure-track faculty member has a realistic opportunity to devote a percentage of their time for the pursuit of RSCA activities.
 - a. Use of the IDC funds

b. Formula for providing support to NSF grantees post-award (Committee chair will reach out to CoSAM model)

c. More examples sought from committee members to be discussed in Spring.

2. Support and develop graduate programs to enhance both teaching and RSCA and improve Cal Poly's Reputation.

. Dr. Kitts will reach out to Rich Savage. The committee is still awaiting response from Graduate Ed.

3. Integration of research in the coursework

. Along the lines of "Sustainability" courses, could there be HIP (High-Impact Practice) courses (Undergraduate research, Service-learning to name a few).

4. Improve information distribution, communication and transparency for RSCA.

. Reporting numbers such as student involvement in funded projects.

5. Actively seek best practices developed by other universities and implement those as appropriate.

. Carefully identify peers who Cal Poly may want to emulate. SDSU have been successful in research funding but may be more in the R1 mold than Cal Poly.

- How RSCA is used in the RPT process by various college will be reported by this committee.

- Can the Cal Poly time be changed to start the classes at the full hour so it is more convenient for faculty to schedule meetings with off-campus colleagues?

The committee chair requested an email response from all members as to specific ways your colleges/program can or are incentivizing RSCA.