

Informational Report

Faculty Handbook Review Committee

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Three Year Goal

Transform the Faculty Handbook into a clearly written, organized, accurate, comprehensive and easily accessible academic policies and procedures manual that would be useful for both faculty and administrators.

Bill Sauser, 2011

Phase One

No Policy Changes

- Eliminate from the Faculty Handbook all out-of-date and irrelevant material.
- Retain only policies that relate directly to the faculty.
- Create a transitional document of the Faculty Handbook.
- Completed Spring Semester, 2011

Phase Two

No Policy Changes

- Add to the Faculty Handbook existing policies related to the faculty, and state these policies in their entirety.
- Find policies and guidelines that exist on other websites not controlled by the Senate, and create links to these policies locating them in the proper chapters.
- Projected completion Spring Semester 2012.

Policies and Procedures: Examples of Full Length Versions

Chapter 3:

4.2 Distinguished University Professor

5.1 Guidelines for Establishing and Filling
Positions in the Lecturer Title Series

7.3 Post Tenure Review Guidelines

Examples of Links

Chapter 5

1.1 Enrollment Policy for Auburn Campus

Projected numbers of undergraduate and graduate students for the Auburn campus

http://www.auburn.edu/administration/trustees/policies/C-2_Enrollment_Policy_for_Auburn_Campus.pdf

2.3 Program Review and Assessment

Purpose, scope, criteria and standards for the periodic formal review of academic programs

<http://www.auburn.edu/academic/provost/programReview.html>

Phase Three

- Continue to review the Faculty Handbook.
- Eliminate inconsistencies and conflicting language.
- Add new policies or policy revisions that may be needed.
- Phase Three will be ongoing.

Requested Action

Encourage your faculty to go to <http://libguides.auburn.edu/phase2comments> and to enter their comments concerning the proposed Phase Two Document. The deadline for receiving your comments is midnight April 14, 2012.

Anticipated Motion

To accept the revised document (Auburn University Faculty Handbook, dated May 1, 2012) as the official Handbook of the Auburn Faculty, replacing the May 10, 2011 Handbook now in effect.