COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY EXTENSION ANNUAL REPORT TO THE RIVERSIDE DIVISION NOVEMBER 30, 2021

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The Committee on University Extension met three times this Academic Year and conducted a virtual meeting through iLearn and email in September 2020 and July 2021. This academic year the Committee examined and approved 325 course and instructor proposals in the X300-400 series. The Committee also approved 13 proposals for extension certificates and diplomas.

The Committee reviewed the proposed curtailment program, Campus Safety Taskforce report, and draft Strategic Plan and had no comments related to the Committee's charge of University Extension (UNEX) as UNEX was not included in the three documents. The Committee did note concern that UNEX was not recognized in these review items and the lack of recognition UNEX has on Campus. The Committee sent a memo to the Senate Chair noting their concern and requesting that the Academic Senate seek out and employ strategies to elevate the awareness of UNEX to the general faculty. The Committee noted to the Senate Chair that issues affecting the campus also affect UNEX and attempts should be made to strengthen the relationship between campus and UNEX.

The Committee reviewed the Academic Senate Committee on Faculty Welfare Campus Climate Survey and noted concern with the results of the survey. Concern was also noted that the survey did not include UNEX in the assessment of campus climate.

The Committee consulted with the Dean of University of Extension at each meeting and provided recommendations for academic programs offered at University Extension.

The Committee would like to commend University Extension for their continuing efforts to expand offerings in new directions, and for the high quality of all programs despite the impact of COVID-19 and remote instruction. University Extension has developed a number of innovative programs this year, and the quality of instructors continues to be excellent. The Committee would like to thank the Dean of University Extension Kevin Vaughn, the University Extension Director of Academic Services Marie Martin, and University Extension Academic Services Coordinator Lizbeth Gonzalez for an excellent job in presenting the best candidates for review and approval by the Committee and for promptly providing additional information for proposals as requested.

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