

COMMITTEE ON PREPRATORY EDUCATION  
MAY 2, 2022  
MINUTES

PRESENT: Y. Wang, Chair & UCOPE Rep.; P. Chen; G. Palardy (by email); S. Zeiger; A. Arrizon, Ex Officio; P. Beehler, Ex Officio; W. Cleaves, Ex Officio

ABSENT: H. Liu; C. Nugent, Ex Officio; M. Princevac, Ex Officio; D. Kiroloss, ASUCR Student Rep.

Chair Yinsheng Wang called the meeting to order at 11:00AM. The Chair then informed the committee that this is the last scheduled meeting of the academic year.

The minutes from the February 7, 2022, meeting, were approved unanimously.

The Chair provided the Committee with an update from the April 29, 2022, UCOPE meeting. The Chair informed the Committee that the Academic Council endorsed the recommendation from the University Committee on Preparatory Education (UCOPE) concerning satisfaction of the UC Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) for students who transfer between UC campuses. UCOPE discussed the Work of the Entry Level Writing Requirement Task Force and noted that the report will be released by the end of the academic year. UCOPE received and discussed data reports on the alternative placement processes in use at UCSB and UCSC, where collaborative writing placement and directed self-placement programs were used, respectively. Academic Senate Vice Chair, Susan Cochran, updated the committee on the following: Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senate; endorsement of UCOPE's recommendation regarding ELWR; UC will be adding 16 human resource personnel to work with those who are retiring to provide counseling and guidance; discussion of self-supporting programs; she noted the search for Provost Brown's position will soon be underway; and she encouraged all faculty to complete the faculty survey on COVID impacts. The committee also received a briefing on Council's new Special Committee on Transfer Issues.

A member asked if there is any mechanism for knowing students are ready when accepting UC transfer students who did not use the system-wide AWPE. It was noted that there should be a certain level of autonomy and the importance of system-wide oversight. Another member noted that the Entry Level Writing Requirement Task Force report will be advisory to UCOPE. It was also noted that there has been a lot of debate surrounding directed self-placement where students take a survey for placement.

Associate Dean for CHASS Student Affairs, Alicia Arrizon, informed the committee that she will be stepping from the position.

With no additional business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:27AM.

Approved: May 3, 2022

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