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Kum-Kum Bhavnani, Chair, Academic Council
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RE: [Systemwide Review] COVID-19 Temporary Modification or Suspension: (Academic Council) Temporary Waiver of Senate Regulation 636.C

Dear Kum-Kum,

The UCR Division of the Senate passes along the attached standing committee consultations on the matter of the temporary suspension of Senate Regulation 636.C. This matter was supported by the Division without controversy, and the UCR Executive Council did not add further comment to the feedback provided by these two standing committees.

Peace
dylan

Sincerely yours,

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Dylan Rodríguez
Professor of Media & Cultural Studies and Chair of the Riverside Division

CC: Michael Labriola, Assistant Director of the Academic Senate
Hilary Baxter, Executive Director of the Academic Senate
Cherysa Cortez, Executive Director of UCR Academic Senate Office



June 12, 2020

To: Dylan Rodríguez, Chair
Riverside Division

From: Stefano Vidussi, Chair 
Committee on Educational Policy

Re: Academic Council Memo on Temporary Waiver of SR 636.C

The Committee on Educational Policy reviewed Academic Council's memo and deferred the review of the memo to the Committee on Preparatory Education as the Entry Level Writing Program is within their purview. Please find attached to this memo the Committee on Preparatory Education's response to this review item.

Atch: Committee on Preparatory Education Response to Academic Council Memo on Temporary Waiver of SR 636.C



June 12, 2020

To: Stefano Vidussi, Chair
Committee on Educational Policy

From: Jingsong Zhang, Chair
Committee on Preparatory Education

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Re: Academic Council Memo on Temporary Waiver of Senate Regulation 636.C

At the request of the Committee on Educational Policy, the Committee on Preparatory Education reviewed the memo from Academic Council on the temporary waiver of Senate Regulation 636.C and are supportive of the waiver.

Additionally, Director of the Entry Level Writing Program and Committee Ex Officio Member Paul Beehler responded to the memo's request for a brief summary of campus plans for the AWPE and ELWR in the 20-21 Academic Year which is attached to this document.

Atch: Summary of ELWR and AWPE Plans for 20-21 Academic Year

To: Kum-Kum Bhavani, Chair Academic Senate

From: Paul Beehler, Director ELWR U.C. Riverside University Writing Program

Date: 11 June 2020

Re: Process involving students at UCR who need access to placement tests over AY 20-21

The Riverside campus expects incoming students to take the Systemwide AWPE that will be offered online on June 20th. For those students who need to know their placement in order to register for classes with an advisor in early July, we are offering an earlier June exam that will be processed in time for them to sign up for the proper writing course in the Fall. Students who take neither the early UCR exam nor the Systemwide exam will be notified that they have half a dozen more opportunities to test later in the summer. Most of the UCR administrations are scheduled around summer orientations, for the convenience of students. (Of course, students can take the AWPE only once.)

All of the local administrations are committee-graded, and the process closely follows best practices of the system-wide administration. Led by one of the Assistant Chief Readers of the Systemwide AWPE, the committee charged with local scoring and placement is comprised of UCR's most senior lecturers, most of whom have, for many years, served as readers for the Systemwide AWPE. The local AWPEs will be scored and placed in a timely manner to accommodate students' online orientations with their advisors. Judging by the many years these procedures have been used, the process should be seamless.

Those students who do not satisfy ELWR or take an AWPE once fall quarter begins have the option to enroll in English 4 without testing. Make-up AWPEs are offered during fall and winter quarters to the relatively few students who did not satisfy ELWR and did not take an AWPE or enroll in English 4.