



## *Academic Senate*

### **GRADUATE COUNCIL**

December 2, 2020

To: Jason Stajich, Chair  
Riverside Division

From: Amanda Lucia, Chair  
Graduate Council

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Amanda Lucia".

Re: [Campus Review] Draft Policy: Role of UCR Financial Planning & Analysis in the Establishment and Financial Management of Self-Supporting Graduate Professional Degree Programs

The Graduate Council discussed the draft policy of Financial Planning & Analysis' role in the Establishment and Financial Management of Self-Supporting Graduate Professional Degree Programs at their November 19, 2020 meeting.

The Council did not feel the proposal provided enough detail or guidance nor does it address the issues and concerns the Council has been raising with the administration for the past couple of years.

The infrastructure the state supported programs provide for the self-supported programs needs to be calculated and included in this proposal. It is not apparent that the proposal includes a defined percentage ("tax") that will be collected from each self-supporting program and distributed back to the units on campus that support these self-supporting programs (listed on page 2 of the proposal). Is Financial Planning & Analysis determining a percentage each program will pay based on each individual program? It is the Council's understanding that there are other UC campuses that have already determined this "tax" rate for their campuses. The Council urges the administration to consult with other UC campuses on the amount they charge their self-supporting programs to determine a rate UCR can collect from self-supporting programs so that the units on campus that support them can finally be compensated for the services they provide. There are high percentages of students in these self-support programs who are on academic probation

which creates a heavy workload for many staff in the Graduate Division who are paid using state funds. This issue needs to be rectified.

Regarding the bulleted list of units impacted by self-supporting programs on page 2, will the distribution to each of these units be equal and how will it be determined?

Lastly, there is a typo in the paragraph above the bulleted list of impacted units. The word "impacts" should be "impacted".