



Academic Senate

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY

November 24, 2025

To: Ken Barish, Chair
Riverside Division

From: Annie Ditta, Chair
Committee on Educational Policy

Re: Drafts of UCR's WASC Self-Study and Institutional Report for Reaffirmation

The Committee on Educational Policy (CEP) reviewed the drafts of UCR's WASC self-study and institutional report for reaffirmation at their November 7, 2025 meeting.

The Committee discussed the statement found in the Synthesis/Reflections for CFR 3.4 on page 30, which noted "connections between outcomes assessment and resource allocation." The Committee requests that this statement be clarified as it was not clear how outcomes assessment is related to resource allocations or if it should be related to educational level outcomes instead.

Concern was also noted with the narrative presented for A.1.2 in the institutional report and the inclusion of "campus protests in response to external events" in a list of "challenges" to UCR's progress and growth. The Committee observed that the implied identification of student protests as a scourge on the order of global pandemic and federal defunding is entirely inappropriate. Student protests are protected expressive activities, and they have not disrupted campus operations at UCR in the review period. The Committee strongly recommends that "campus protests" be removed from this statement.