
(As adopted by the Faculty Senate at its meeting on 7 February 2011)

**UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO AMEND
FACULTY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO CREATE THE
RESEARCH, SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

Background

In the summer of 2009, the administration announced plans to reorganize the university's research enterprise. In response to that announcement, the University Committee appointed an ad hoc committee chaired by Professor Hector DeLuca to study the issue and make recommendations to the UC and the Faculty Senate. In response, the senate, at its 3 May 2010 meeting, deliberated upon and adopted a set of recommendations regarding the reorganization of the research enterprise (see Faculty Document 2190b). The UC's recommendation to create the Research, Safety and Compliance Oversight Committee is the implementation of one of those recommendations.

6.58. RESEARCH, SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

A. MEMBERSHIP. The Research, Safety and Compliance Oversight Committee shall consist of the following members:

1. Four faculty members, one appointed by each divisional executive committee for a term of four years (terms shall be staggered).
2. One faculty member, appointed by the University Committee, who shall serve as chair.
3. Two academic staff members, appointed by the Academic Staff Executive Committee.

B. FUNCTIONS.

1. Provide advice and consultation to the Office of Research Policy, the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, and to the institution's safety and compliance units.
2. Receive and process inquiries and complaints from research investigators, including faculty, staff, employees-in-training and students, regarding institutional processes, policies and procedures that adversely impact the conduct of their research.
3. Ensure effective and rapid resolution of problems involving research, safety and compliance.