

Upcoming Initiatives and Recommendations for 2019-2020 Academic Year

APC strongly recommends that the Faculty Senate update its committee web site so that 1) APC is linked from the committee list at <https://www.salisbury.edu/administration/campus-governance/faculty-senate/current-committees.aspx> Additionally, the by-laws for the Academic Policies Committee should be provided to the APC chair and posted on the faculty senate web site.

The committee has observed that schools are not following the proper chain of command for resolving academic grievances. The school dean, not the associate dean, is the person to respond to grievances after the student has reached out to the faculty member and the chair. This is the level-three grievance. Because grievances can have very serious consequences for both students and faculty members, the committee does not believe that the process should be delegated. School deans will receive clarification from APC at the start of the school year.

Additionally, the committee is aware that the Academic Misconduct Policy is applied inconsistently across campus and that many faculty are unfamiliar with the policy or its associated procedure. APC will make every effort at the start of the year to educate faculty on the policy, the appropriate procedures, and the need for equitable and proportionate sanctions when academic misconduct occurs.

Finally, the faculty senate has given a charge to APC consider the policy on how long a violation stays on a student record. This is related to the issue of sanctions. APC will be looking at developing both sanction guidelines and a recommendation regarding student records.

Respectfully submitted,

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