

**Indiana University
Bloomington Faculty Council
Summary of Actions Taken 2022-2023**

**Amendment to the BL-ACA-D9
Bylaws of the Bloomington Faculty Council of Indiana University**

The Bloomington Faculty Council approved updates to the Bylaws to reconstitute the Student Academic Appointee Affairs Committee as a standing committee.

-Adopted October 4, 2022
[Read the updated policy](#)

**Reinstatement of BL-ACA-D23
SAA Mediation Committee**

The Bloomington Faculty Council reinstated the previous version of BL-ACA-D23, SAA Mediation Committee, in order to conform with the change to the Bylaws.

-Adopted October 4, 2022
[Read the updated policy](#)

Report by the Task Force on Research Reorganization

The chair and eight members of the Task Force on Research Reorganization presented their report to the Bloomington Faculty Council, sharing their findings on leadership structure, process for the reorganization, and the definition of research.

-Presented November 15, 2022
[Read the Task Force Report](#)

Report by the Task Force on the Future of General Education

Professors John Arthos (English), J Duncan (Informatics), and Micol Seigel (American Studies and History) presented an extensive report from the Task Force on the Future of General Education before the Bloomington Faculty Council. The update focused on sharing the task force's findings related to recommendations for evolutionary changes to the general education structure.

-Presented December 6, 2022
[Read the Task Force Report](#)

**Amendment to BL-ACA-D8
Constitution of the Bloomington Faculty**

The Bloomington Faculty Council approved changes to the Constitution of the Bloomington Faculty, which specify the makeup of graduate students serving as voting members. The amendment states that one student needs to be the GPSG president, one needs to be the GPSG vice president, and one needs to be a Student Academic Appointee. Ratification by all faculty followed by electronic ballot.

-Adopted January 27, 2023
[Read the updated policy](#)

**Amendments to BL-ACA-D22
Grievance and Review Procedures of the Bloomington Faculty**

The Bloomington Faculty Council approved extensive changes to the Grievance and Review Procedures of the Bloomington Faculty, in order to be in compliance with ACA-17, Faculty Boards of Review Uniform Standards.

-Adopted February 7, 2023
[Read the updated policy](#)

Amendments to BL-ACA-D6

Review Procedures for Administrators on the Bloomington Campus

The Bloomington Faculty Council approved changes to the Review Procedures for Administrators on the Bloomington Campus to remove specific committee questions in order to provide a review committee greater latitude to reflect the priorities identified through the review, establish a baseline for future reviews, and communicate specific recommendations to the Provost. Two amendments were made on the floor.

-Adopted February 21, 2023

[Read the updated policy](#)

Amendments to BL-ACA-B10

Bloomington Faculty Council Committees

The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted changes to Bloomington Faculty Council Committees, which add the Student Academic Appointee Affairs Committee and specify that this committee will have three co-chairs, one an SAA.

-Adopted March 7, 2023

[Read the updated policy](#)

Amendments to BL-ACA-H11

Undergraduate Admissions Policy

The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted changes to the Undergraduate Admissions Policy to expand the math requirement to align with other Big Ten institutions and states across the country that are eliminating test-optional language.

-Adopted April 4, 2023

[Read the updated policy](#)

Amendments to BL-ACA-H32

Grades Given Upon the Withdrawal from Courses-Undergraduates Only

The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted changes to Grades Given Upon Withdrawal from Courses-Undergraduates Only, which remove the COVID-19 statement, therefore moving the campus back to pre-pandemic operations.

-Adopted April 4, 2023

[Read the updated policy](#)

Amendments to BL-ACA-D9

Bylaws of the Bloomington Faculty Council of Indiana University

The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted changes to the Bylaws of the Bloomington Faculty Council of Indiana University to add “and to speak on behalf of the faculty on matters of concern to the university community.” to 10.j, under the responsibilities of the Faculty President.

-Adopted April 18, 2023

[Read the updated policy](#)

Amendments to BL-ACA-D23 and BL-ACA-D28, and Rescinding of BL-ACA-D29

SAA Mediation Committee, Recommendations to Departments on SAA Grievances, and Student Academic Appointee Mediation Procedures

The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted changes to SAA Mediation Committee and Recommendations to Departments on SAA Grievances, and rescinded Student Academic Appointee Mediation Procedures. These changes were identified after a review of all policies connected to SAA grievance procedures through the BFC. Student Academic Appointee Mediation Procedures was rescinded because its contents were absorbed into the other two policies.

-Adopted April 18, 2023

[Read the updated SAA Mediation Committee](#)

[Read the updated Recommendations to Departments](#)

**Changes to BL-ACA-D24
SAA Board of Review**

The Bloomington Faculty Council adopted changes to the SAA Board of Review, which focus on allowing SAAs to go to the SAA Board of Review directly with a grievance and clarifying the timeline to include business days.

-Adopted April 18, 2023

[Read the updated policy](#)

Statement on Academic Freedom and Shared Governance

The Bloomington Faculty Council voted to pass a statement of academic freedom and shared governance, which was written at the University Faculty Council level.

-Adopted April 18, 2023

[Read the statement](#)