

**Indiana University
University Faculty Council
Summary of Actions Taken 2016 – 2017**

UFC Approval of Revisions to ACA-56 Transfer of Credit from Two Year Institutions

The University Faculty Council approved revisions to ACA-56 Transfer of Credit from Two Year Institutions. The revisions clarified the role of faculty and departments in awarding transfer credit in certain situations.

-Approved November 29, 2016

[ACA-56 Transfer of Credit Completed at the 100 and 200 Level](#)

UFC Approval of Revisions to Sexual Misconduct Policy

The University Faculty Council approved revisions to UA-03 Sexual Misconduct prior to the start of the fall semester including adjusting the definitions of sexual assault, consent, and complainant, and revising the student procedures to more accurately reflect the investigation and adjudication process.

-Approved August 25, 2016 (by UFC Exec. Committee)

[UA-03 Sexual Misconduct policy](#)

The University Faculty Council approved revisions to UA-03 Sexual Misconduct and the Student Code of Rights and Responsibilities and Conduct incorporating application of the policy to off-campus conduct, refining the definition of sexual assault, clarifying the role and involvement of law enforcement and university employees, and revising procedural methods for responding to incidents involving allegations of student sexual misconduct.

-Approved November 29, 2016

[UA-03 Sexual Misconduct policy](#)

[Student Code of Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct](#)

The University Faculty Council approved additional revisions to UA-03 Sexual Misconduct to amend the procedures for responding to incidents involving allegations of faculty or staff sexual misconduct. Provisions related to the use of Faculty Boards of Review were tabled to enable further revisions by the UFC faculty/staff sub-committee.

-Approved March 28, 2017

UFC Approval of Revisions to Nepotism Policy

The University Faculty Council approved a final revision to the new UA-10 Nepotism policy to include a prohibition on members of the Board of Trustees recommending for employment persons with whom they have a familial relationship.

-Approved November 29, 2016

[UA-10 Nepotism policy](#)

UFC Approval of Revisions to Research Misconduct Policy

The University Faculty Council approved revisions to the Research Misconduct policy. The revisions establish faster timelines for processing cases, create a single standing committee on research misconduct, eliminate the requirement of an outside member in the investigation phase, and clarify the definition “reckless.”

-Approved April 18, 2017 (by UFC Exec. Committee)
[ACA-30 Research Misconduct policy](#)

UFC Adoption of Recommendations for Building a Community of Scholars

The University Faculty Council adopted several recommendations addressing Bicentennial Strategic Priority number two, “Building a Community of Scholars.” The recommendations include evaluating and revising promotion and tenure criteria to ensure they contain explicit expectations for university citizenship and contributions to faculty community. In addition, they call for faculty community space to be made a priority in all space planning, and for deans and department chairs to be selected for, and trained in, effective methods of building community.

-Approved April 18, 2017 (by UFC Exec. Committee)