

**Annual Report: Academic Year 2011-2012
Davis Division: Academic Senate**

Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility

Total Meetings – 3 in person meetings plus numerous email discussions		

Total Reviewed - 17 (courses, proposals, cases, etc.)	Total of reviews deferred from the previous year - 0	Total deferred to the coming academic year - 0

Listing of Bylaw changes proposed: None

Listing of committee policies established or revised: None

Issues considered by the committee

1) Prof. Michael Wilkes' Academic Freedom Grievance
2) Proposed amendments to APM 010, 015, and 016 (twice)
3) Proposed boating safety PPM addition (twice)
4) Survey of Graduate Student understanding of academic freedom at UC Davis
5) Faculty concern over privacy of faculty emails
6) Proposed open access policy for UC research documents
7) Systemwide Review of the UC Observatories
8) Proposal to Disestablish the Department of Applied Science
9) Departmental Merger Proposal: Textiles/Clothing and Biological/Agricultural Engineering
10) PPM 200-45: Time Reporting System
11) Proposed Revision to Student Conduct Policies
12) UC Davis Athletics Strategic Audit 2011
13) Proposals to Establish New Minors: Biomedical Eng. and Computational Biology and Bioinformatics
14) Proposed Minor: Materials Science
15) Merger Proposal: Human & Community Development and Environmental Design
16) Systemwide Review: Area "d" Requirement
17) Proposed Revision: UCD APM 275 and 220I

Recommended procedural or policy changes for the coming year: 0

Committee's narrative:

The committee met three times during the 2011-2012 academic year to conduct its investigation of the Prof. Wilkes grievance and otherwise conducted all business through email. Email was very effective for enabling us to address issues fast and with input from all members. The committee reviewed 17 different issues (two of those were reviewed twice). A comprehensive report about the Prof. Wilkes grievance was submitted to the Chair of the Academic Senate and acted upon by the representative assembly.

Gregory Pasternack, Chair

Members: Moradewun Adejunmobi, James Beaumont, Adela de la Torre, Jane-Ling Wang,

Eric Nelson - Graduate Student Representative

Solomon Bekele, Committee Analyst