



Davis Division Academic Senate

Request for Consultation Responses

PPM 290-50 - Protective Clothing and Equipment

April 29, 2014

The campus Policy and Procedure Manual (PPM) section 290-50 has undergone a major revision and is provided for feedback prior to implementation. The revision simplifies and streamlines policy, providing appropriate reference to systemwide policy on personal protective equipment, includes requirement that required PPE be listed on class syllabi; provides responsibilities; updates references.

Council of School & College Faculty Chairs (LS: SOC SCI)

April 7, 2014 5:56 PM

We find the policy unworkable for technical, practical, and financial reasons. For some departments in L&S, a huge expenditure would be required every year to purchase equipment and materials that are unnecessary in many cases. In Chemistry, for example, the proposal is a very burdensome and unrealistic unfunded mandate. We understand the importance of safety but do not believe that the proposed policy makes sense.

Faculty Welfare

April 25, 2014 9:22 AM

While the Faculty Welfare Committee acknowledges the value of policies regarding protective clothing, the committee is concerned about the increasing burden of compliance regulations that are often overlapping and inconsistent. Additional regulations, such as these, should not always be in addition to but rather should replace or update existing regulations. The committee urges a review of safety policies to (1) look for and eliminate redundancies and (2) streamline compliance procedures to avoid unnecessary and time-consuming busywork.

Graduate Council

March 19, 2014 8:52 AM

No response at this time.

Research

April 30, 2014 2:16 PM

COR discussed the proposed revisions to PPM 290-50, Protective Clothing and Equipment. Some COR members had the following concerns with the proposed revisions:

1. In IV.B.3: Why can't people take even personally owned PPE off campus for cleaning? If there is a concern of spreading hazardous substances off campus, is there a requirement to provide necessary on-campus cleaning? There doesn't appear to be such a requirement in the document.
2. Who will enforce the proposed safety requirements and what are the legal consequences if the policy is not followed?