IUPUI Faculty Council Committee Annual Report 2014-2015

Committee Name: Academic Affairs

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Action Items:

Action Item(s)	Status
Attending Classes Without Being Enrolled	Academic Policies and Procedures Committee passed an administrative policy covering this, therefore no additional action was taken.
Calculation of GPAs	Recommend removal from Action Item list.
Common Calendar: Are all dates covered under this policy, or just the start and stop dates?	This was resolved during the 2013-14 AY.
Policy for Acceptance of Prior Learning (PLA) Credit for Veterans	The AAC found that the proposed policy will greatly benefit Indiana's veterans and meets the goals set forth in SB 331 and aligns well with the general policies and procedures at IUPUI.
UFC Policy on Transfer of Credit from Two-Year Institutions	The AAC found that the major aspects of the current policy (ACA-56) should remain as is.
Evaluation of PULs 2.0 Report	The AAC endorsed the major concepts in the report.
Free Exchange of Ideas – Report from the University of Chicago: Should IUPUI develop a similar statement?	While the AAC found considerable merit in the University of Chicago document and believes that it should provide the framework for discussions here at IUPUI, potential ramifications should be analyzed prior to adopting a similar document here.
Review Use of Blue Online Course Evaluations	The AAC endorsed using Blue to administer online course evaluations as long as both Oncourse and Canvas can be used.
Review the Use of Campuswide Questions on Course Evaluations	The AAC recommends discussions of this concept proceed across campus during the coming academic year to establish whether or not campuswide questions should be implemented here.

Action Items to be carried over to 2015-2016:

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Campus Policy on Limits in Withdrawal	Further fact-finding and discussion are required.
Grade Forgiveness Policy	Further fact-finding and discussion are required.
Investigate what, if any, "University Sanctioned Events" should be included in the Registrar's list of Course Policies	Further fact-finding and discussion are required.
Evaluation of IUPUI Withdrawal Deadlines	The AAC evaluated current status of withdrawal deadlines in relation to IUB, IU policies, and withdrawal deadlines at peer institutions. Further discussion is required.
Potential Policy on Credit Hour Overlap Between Minor to Major or Major to Second Major	The AAC found that such a policy is warranted and formed a subcommittee to draft the policy.
IUPUI Policy on International Teaching Assistants	Following discussion of the current policy and procedure regarding ITAs, the AAC found that further action is needed to remedy current shortcomings.

Suggested new action items for 2015-2016:

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Decide whether or not common questions should be adopted for course evaluations here at IUPUI. Determine how common questions should be handled within core schools at IUPUI.	

Please attach any completed documents, minutes, or recommendations made by your committee during this report year. One copy of this report and supporting documents will be sent to the IUPUI University Archives.

Report due: June 30, 2015

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