GENERAL CHARGE FOR STANDING SENATE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

Standing committees are established by Senate Assembly as mandated in Section 4.06 of the Regents’ Bylaws. In collaboration with the Faculty Senate Office and SACUA, standing committees advise and consult with the vice presidents of the university on matters within the areas of their respective responsibilities. Senate Assembly standing committees are charged with bringing faculty voice and perspective to a broad range of university activities including policy and procedure. Senate Assembly standing committees shall strive to provide advice and consultation to their respective vice presidents in a timely fashion so that faculty perspectives are considered during the decision-making process.

Research Advisory Committee (RAC)

Advisory to: Rebecca Cunningham, Vice President for Research

Committee Chair: Robert Ploutz-Snyder, Nursing

SPECIFIC CHARGE 2021 – 2022

1. Provide input on continuing plans for research operations in the COVID-19 environment.

2. Support the development and implementation of recommendations for DEI-informed policies and practices in research in partnership with other organizations on campus to address disparities, particularly as exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

3. To engage with internal university structures (e.g., Library, IACUC, IRBs) that support research across all three campuses to address challenges as needed and as time allows.