PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS to ACADEMIC SENATE BYLAWS

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction has reviewed and approved two items here submitted for approval by a vote of the Division.

1. The Graduate Council has proposed modifications to the Regulations of the Graduate Council.

2. The Committee on Courses of Instruction has recommended a variance to the Regulations of the Academic Senate (Senate Regulation 750).

Each item is presented below with links (ctrl-click) to supporting documentation. All documentation is available for review (PDF) from the Rules and Jurisdiction page of the Academic Senate Web site at www.ucsf.edu/senate.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO DIVISIONAL BYLAW 125 (GRADUATE COUNCIL)

The Graduate Council has proposed modifications to the Bylaws of the UCSF Division of the Academic Senate, Chapter VI Faculties and Committees, Section III Standing Committees of the San Francisco Division, 125 Graduate Council.

Justification: The proposed changes, reviewed and approved by the Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction, modify the Bylaws pertaining to the Membership of the Graduate Council as follows:

1. That the membership be increased to 13.
2. That two of its members be UCSF faculty with Medical Degrees.
3. That the appointment to the Systemwide Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affairs (CCGA) can be either the Chair of Graduate Council or other designated member, as determined by the Committee on Committees.
4. That the Secretary of the Council serves as an ex-officio non-voting member.

These changes are proposed to allow the Graduate Council to have the full complement of representative faculty when reviewing graduate programs and performing its duties and to manage the increased workload of the Graduate Council. The designation of an alternate member of the committee, other than the Chair to serve as representative to the CCGA is necessary to better coordinate the representative from UCSF with the required two-year CCGA term.

The full proposed Bylaw language and justification may be downloaded as a PDF here.

Motion to the Division:

Shall the Bylaws of the Graduate Council be amended as proposed?

Vote: □ Yes □ No □ Abstain
PROPOSED VARIANCE TO ACADEMIC SENATE REGULATION 750

The Committee on Courses of Instruction proposes the following Variance to Senate Regulation 750 (under San Francisco):

**B. Health Sciences Clinical Professors of any rank, Clinical Professors of any rank, Health Sciences Clinical Instructors and Clinical Instructors may give courses of any grade.**

**Summary of Justification:**
(This information below summarizes the extensive justification. The complete proposal and justification may be viewed [here.](#))

Health Sciences Clinical Professors, Health Sciences Clinical Instructors, Clinical Professors and Clinical Instructors (collectively referred to as “UCSF clinical faculty”) are faculty who have appointments at UCSF and who may have professional practices at UCSF or elsewhere, but who also teach courses at UCSF. UCSF clinical faculty provide a necessary and essential component of clinical instruction in all four schools at UCSF.

Senate Regulation 750, which lists eligible teaching titles, was enacted prior to July 1, 2005, and does not include either the Health Science Clinical Faculty or the Clinical Faculty titles. Therefore, in order to comply with existing Senate Regulations, the Committee on Courses of Instruction must approve each clinical faculty member as an instructor of record on an exceptional basis when courses are submitted and taught by UCSF clinical faculty. Because UCSF clinical faculty are such a large and essential component of the teaching faculty at UCSF, the Committee regularly must take additional exceptional actions when considering courses for approval. Since the Committee is not aware of a single instance in which it has rejected a request for a clinical faculty member to teach a course, and given the unique and essential function which UCSF clinical faculty has with respect to teaching operations, the Committee seeks approval of the recommended variance. The Committee strongly believes that approval of this variance will not only increase efficiency and improve the practices of the Committee’s work, but will also acknowledge the substantial role of the teaching responsibilities of the UCSF clinical faculty and at the same time decrease the number additional actions the Committee must take to grant exceptions for courses taught by UCSF clinical faculty.

**Motion to the Division:**

Shall the Variance be added to Senate regulation 750 as proposed?

**Vote:** ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Abstain