

**Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction**  
**Katherine Yang, PharmD, Chair**

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Sharmila Majumdar, PhD  
Division Chair  
UCSF Academic Senate

Re: Systemwide Review of Proposed Changes to Senate Regulations 544 and 630

Dear Chair Majumdar:

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction (R&J) writes to comment on the proposed changes to Senate Regulations (SR) 544 and 630. This committee reads the proposed changes to SR 544 and SR 630 to be somewhat contradictory. While SR554 makes a room for senior students to take courses from non-home campus beyond the senior residency requirement, SR630 gives their home campus authority to impose and increase the residency requirement.

Additionally, the intended purpose of the proposed revision to SR 544 is to facilitate UC students accessing courses offered at non-home UC campuses, but it is difficult to see how the proposed revision would achieve this. This revision will increase paperwork for both campuses as well as for students. For the receiving campus, the campus will have to process students' petitions for waiver of prerequisites. For home campus, the campus will have to process students' petitions to exceed the upper limit of the non-home campus courses.

R&J raises these additional questions for the Senate's consideration:

- Section A, Q1: Who is responsible for verifying if a student has satisfied prerequisites before enrolling a course at a non-home US campus?
- Section E: What does the committee mean by "more than unit credits?" R&J understands that UC has a conversion formula for transferring course unit credits between semester campuses and quarter campuses. Section E could be interpreted so that two students who attended the same course may ended up receiving different unit credits based on their residency (i.e., their home campus).

Sincerely,

*/s/ Katherine Yang*

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