

**Resolution of the Academic Senate  
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona**

**Regarding Shared Governance and Curriculum in the California State University System**

- WHEREAS, Faculty are experts in their respective disciplines and best qualified to design the curriculum that achieves critical learning objectives; and
- WHEREAS, Curricular issues – those matters on which the faculty share of shared governance ought to be at its apogee – are rarely subject to exigent time pressure that, in other areas, might justify an expedited deliberation process; and
- WHEREAS, Faculty, staff, and administrators on individual CSU campuses work most closely with their students and employers in their respective industries and are positioned to know about the unique opportunities and resources of their own campuses and programs, as well as the needs of their students and communities; and
- WHEREAS, Efforts by the Office of the Chancellor to “create clarity” and “equity in CSU GE Breadth requirements”<sup>1</sup> have only created wasteful and expensive demands on campuses and are unlikely to achieve any meaningful improvements in student success; and
- WHEREAS, Campuses are being asked to comply with interpretations of Executive Orders that are significantly more restrictive than the Executive Orders; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That we respectfully ask that the Chancellor work with campuses in ways that demonstrate the principles of shared governance, and defer to the strengths and abilities of each campus’ faculty and administrators to respond to the variety of demands being put on the system in ways that are most effective for our students and communities; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be placed in the archives of the Academic Senate, and copies be sent to the President of Cal Poly Pomona, CSU Chancellor, CSU Board of Trustees, Academic Senate of the CSU, CSU Campus Senate Chairs, California Faculty Association (CFA) Statewide President, CFA Cal Poly Pomona Chapter President, California State Student Association, ASI President of Cal Poly Pomona, the Governor of California, and the California State Legislature.

Unanimously adopted by the Academic Senate of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona on Wednesday, March 27, 2019

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Julie Shen, Chair of the Academic Senate

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<sup>1</sup> Memos from Loren Blanchard 3/23/18, and 4/17/18