

University Research Committee

Summary of Activities, 2018-2019 Academic Year

Six 90-minute meetings were held. Dr. Purnima Kumar was re-elected as Chair and Dr. Abigail Norris-Turner as Vice-Chair in May 2018. The list of committee members serving during this academic year is attached.

I. Advising

- Role of Committee. Informed the Committee on Academic Affairs about the activities of the University Research Committee.
- Committee Membership. Provided the Senate Cabinet with a list of candidates to invite to serve on the committee for the next academic year.
- Research Integrity: Members of the URC were part of one Committees of Initial Inquiry that advised the Office of Research on research misconduct.
- Provided input for the proposal on creating a sustainability institute at OSU that led to positive changes for the process.

II. Oversight

Cross-disciplinary collaborations: The URC requested and received briefings from Drs.
Rebecca Jackson, Jeff Agnoli, Michael Oglesbee and Ann O'Conner, as well as Ms. Cathie
Smith, Mr. Stephen Myer and Ms. Puja Batra-Wells on cross-campus collaboration
initiatives, challenges faced and future needs. The committee will institute a taskforce
to explore options similar to those at U Michigan (Mcubed) and Texas A&M.

III. Service

- Created bylaws that will govern the membership, duties and responsibilities of the
 University Research Committee. In recognition of the diverse role played by the URC,
 the committee voted to expand membership, and to focus on inclusion and diversity as
 key objectives in constituting this committee. These bylaws will be incorporated into the
 Committee
- Requested expansion of committee membership to comply with OSU's mission of diversity and inclusion. The expansion was approved by the Senate in April 2018.
- Formed a sub-committee to develop a white paper on authorship guidelines. The white paper, along with a checklist for author contributuons and authorship roles, has been forwarded to the Provost's office for further consideration.

• Formed a sub-committee to align the Faculty Misconduct Policy with the Research Misconduct Policy. The sub-committee has made extensive changes to the documents, and is ready to review the final draft.

Membership:

| MEMBER | SOURCE | TERM EXPIRES |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Purnima Kumar | Faculty Council | 2021 |
| Joseph Heremans | Faculty Council | 2021 |
| Melissa Bailey | Faculty Council | 2020 |
| Andrea Grottoli | Faculty Council | 2020 |
| Zhong-Lin Lu | Faculty Council | 2020 |
| Sam Stout | Faculty Council | 2019 |
| Roland Kawakami | Faculty Council | 2019 |
| Abigail Norris Turner | Faculty Council | 2019 |
| William Marras | Presidential | 2020 |
| Rebecca Jackson | Presidential | 2020 |

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Tania (Tatiana) Oberyszyn | Presidential | 2019 |
| Helen Chamberlin | Presidential | 2019 |
| Austin Hilvert | USG | 2019 |
| Amy Andes | CGS | 2019 |
| Nicolas Lugo | CGS | 2019 |
| James Gallagher | IPC | 2019 |
| Brian Turner | Senate Fiscal Committee Chair | |
| Alicia Bertone | Dean, Graduate School (non-voting) | |
| Morley Stone | SVP, Research (non-voting) | |