

**University of Washington**  
**Faculty Council on Teaching and Learning**

March 11, 2021

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Zoom**

**Meeting synopsis:**

1. Call to order
  2. Review of the minutes from February 11, 2021
  3. DRS accommodation requests – Nancy Sisko & Micah
  4. Check-in with Kat and Lynn on updates.
  5. Check-in with "Reasonable Accommodation" subcommittee on survey/data
  6. Check-in with "Peer Evaluation" subcommittee
  7. Discussion: UWT resolution banning online proctoring
  8. Good of the order
  9. Adjourn
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**1. Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m.

**2. Review of the minutes from February 11, 2021**

The minutes from February 11, 2021 were approved as written.

**3. DRS accommodation requests – Nancy Sisko & Micah**

Nancy Sisko joined the council to discuss DRS accessibility in courses. Members highlighted the 5-week deadline for faculty to submit materials for DRS. Micah Lusignan (UW Student) also joined the council and shared their personal challenges with the DRS accommodation request system. Members noted their appreciation and desire to support the DRS system.

**4. Check-in with Kat and Lynn on updates**

Lynn Dietrich mentioned current Curriculum College policies continue to limit fee-based student access. Kat Eli noted the Faculty Council on Academic Standards and their Subcommittee on Academic Programs were asked to work on the issue.

**5. Check-in with "Reasonable Accommodation" subcommittee on survey/data**

The subcommittee noted their intent to provide an in-depth review of collected data at a future meeting.

**6. Check-in with "Peer Evaluation" subcommittee**

The subcommittee stated they plan to share more information at a future meeting.

**7. Discussion: UWT resolution banning online proctoring**

A member shared a resolution from UW Tacoma supporting the banning of online proctoring (Exhibit 1).

## 8. Good of the Order

Council members were asked to reconsider the Class A legislation on a new faculty council (Exhibit 2) with suggested edits. The council voted to approve the legislation with suggested edits.

Chair Halverson noted the Class C resolution on reconceptualizing merit was approved through the Faculty Senate. Members highlighted the work the council and senate have focused on to support students, teaching, and modes of learning this academic year.

## 9. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

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*Minutes by Alexandra Portillo, faculty council analyst, xanport@uw.edu*

**Present:**           **Faculty Code Section 21-61 A:** Fred Bookstein, Lynn Dietrich, Kimberlee Gillis-Bridges, Thomas Halverson (chair), Timea Tihanyi, Rania Hussein, Ruben Casas  
**Faculty Code Section 21-61 B:** Kat Eli, Deepa Benerjee, Ashlee Abrantes  
**President's designee:** LeAnne Jones Wiles  
**Guests:** Katie Malcolm, Sean Gehrke, Matt Winslow, Micah Lusignan

**Absent:**           **Faculty Code Section 21-61 A:** Kristin Gustafson, Kathleen Peterson  
**Faculty Code Section 21-61 B:** Clara Coyote

### Exhibits

Exhibit 1 – Resolution Banning Online Proctoring

Exhibit 2 – Class A - FCITS

## **Concerning support for the banning of online proctoring**

WHEREAS, Students at UWT have petitioned a range of concerns about online proctoring

WHEREAS, the Covid-19 pandemic has revealed and, in some cases, exasperated the disparities within the conditions in which students are doing remote learning, where some have access to technology, high-speed internet, and adequate study space while others do not, and

WHEREAS, the cost of online proctoring is often passed on to students, imposing further financial hardship on them, and

WHEREAS, online proctoring, which makes use of human proctors or algorithms to conduct surveillance of students, introduces bias into an already high-stakes situation and thereby creates further anxiety and risk for students whom are typically read as suspect on the basis of their race, ethnicity, or legal status, and

WHEREAS, online proctoring platforms have a record of not being transparent regarding privacy, and little is known about how any particular platform uses data that is collected during a proctoring session, which includes everything from facial recognition, to the conditions of the room in which a student is taking an exam, to the content of the exam, and

WHEREAS, the faculty at the University of Washington Tacoma has made strides in developing and implementing more authentic assessment procedures across schools and units which make cheating less likely and learning more meaningful, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Faculty Assembly calls upon all faculty to observe a ban on online proctoring unless a faculty member has sought and received an exemption for a particular exam from [APCC or whichever review body is designated].

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Faculty Assembly calls upon the entire campus community to commit to furthering the ongoing pedagogical projects which are variously seeking to support faculty in reimagining and redeveloping assignments and assessment methods that inherently discourage cheating and encourage meaningful learning.

1 **Section 42-31 The Faculty Councils**  
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3 **A.** As the principal advisory bodies to the Senate there shall be the following faculty councils:  
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- 5 1. The Faculty Council on Academic Standards;
- 6 2. The Faculty Council on Faculty Affairs;
- 7 3. The Faculty Council on Research;
- 8 4. The Faculty Council on Student Affairs;
- 9 5. The Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services;
- 10 6. The Faculty Council on University Libraries;
- 11 7. The Faculty Council on Benefits and Retirement;
- 12 8. The Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy;
- 13 9. The Faculty Council on Women in Academia;
- 14 10. The Faculty Council on Multicultural Affairs;
- 15 11. The Faculty Council on Teaching and Learning
- 16 12. The Faculty Council on Information Technology, Security, and Managing Innovation.

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18 **B.** Faculty councils may be abolished and created only by amendment to the Faculty Code.  
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20 **C.** Faculty councils are responsible to the Executive Committee of the Senate.  
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22 *S-A 29, June 8, 1964; S-B 119, December 17, 1971; S-A 43, November 14, 1972; S-A 50, January 22,*  
23 *1976; S-A 72, March 1, 1985; S-A 78, December 14, 1988; S-A 85, May 27, 1992; S-A 89, April 8, 1994;*  
24 *S-A 90, May 17, 1994; S-A 96, December 4, 1996; S-A 104, April 9, 2001; S-A 113, February 24, 2005;*  
25 *S-A 114, June 9, 2005: all with Presidential approval; RC, September 23, 2009; S-A 121, April 16, 2010;*  
26 *S-A 123, May 27, 2010: both with Presidential approval.*  
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28 **Section 42-32 Appointment of Faculty Councils**  
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30 **A.** Because the faculty councils will be concerned with broad problems of policy relating to matters of  
31 University government, the basic qualifications of appointees should include a broad familiarity with  
32 the problems of University government, an understanding of the particular problems of the faculty  
33 within the framework of the University, and a familiarity with the substance of the particular areas of  
34 council responsibility.  
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36 **B.** The Executive Committee shall nominate and the Senate shall approve the appointment of the chairs  
37 and members of faculty councils.  
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39 The Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy shall consist of two members from the University of  
40 Washington, Seattle; two members, designated by the General Faculty Organization, from the  
41 University of Washington, Bothell; two members, designated by the Faculty Assembly, from the  
42 University of Washington, Tacoma; and as ex officio with vote: the Vice Chair of the Faculty Senate,  
43 the Vice Chair of the General Faculty Organization, and the Vice Chair of the Faculty Assembly; and  
44 as ex officio without vote: the Faculty Legislative Representative and the Deputy Legislative  
45 Representative.  
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47 **C.** At the beginning of each academic year the roster of each faculty council shall be published in the  
48 Class C Bulletin. Subsequent changes during the academic year shall also be published in the Class  
49 C Bulletin.  
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51 **D.** The Executive Committee may determine the size of faculty councils from year to year, provided only  
52 that it make every effort to confine the size of each council to the size required for the effective  
53 discharge of its responsibilities. The Executive committee will also make every effort to include at  
54 least one member representing the University of Washington Bothell and the University of  
55 Washington Tacoma on all the councils.  
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57 E. Council members shall serve three-year terms and may be appointed to serve a second consecutive  
 58 term. Appointments become effective at the beginning of the academic year. When an appointment is  
 59 made to fill a position vacated during the academic year, the appointment shall be made as specified  
 60 in Chapter 41, [Section 41-33](#).

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 62 F. Faculty council members shall be deemed to have vacated their seats when they have been absent  
 63 from three council meetings in an academic year. Council members are considered absent only if  
 64 they fail, prior to a meeting, to inform the chair of the faculty council or the faculty council analyst of  
 65 their inability to attend.

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 67 *S-A 29, June 8, 1964; S-A 35, June 17, 1970; S-A 50, January 22, 1976; S-A 104, April 9, 2001: all with*  
 68 *Presidential approval; RC, April 22, 2010; S-A 144, March 1, 2019 with Presidential approval.*

### 70 **Section 42-33 Duties, Responsibilities and Powers of Faculty Councils**

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 72 A. Faculty councils serve as deliberative and advisory bodies for all matters of University policy, and are  
 73 primary forums for faculty-administrative interaction in determining that policy. Each faculty council  
 74 within the area of its jurisdiction:

- 75  
 76 1. Shall prepare for submission to the Senate through the Executive Committee all legislative  
 77 proposals pertaining to matters set forth in Chapter 22, [Section 22-32, Subsection A](#);
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 79 2. Shall prepare for submission to the Senate through the Executive Committee any resolution  
 80 passed at a faculty meeting falling under Chapter 21, [Section 21-51, Subsection D](#);
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 82 3. May on its own initiative prepare legislative proposals or resolutions for submission through the  
 83 Executive Committee to the Senate;
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 85 4. Shall submit to the Senate Chair any report, including annual reports, for transmission to the  
 86 Senate through the Executive Committee;
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 88 5. May receive and make appropriate recommendations, within the limits set forth in Chapter 22,  
 89 [Section 22-32, Subsection B](#), concerning any communication from a member of the faculty;
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 91 6. May request such information and assistance as may be required in the effective pursuit of its  
 92 duties;
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 94 7. May appoint, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, such ad hoc committees as  
 95 may be required for the effective pursuit of its work;
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 97 8. Shall be responsible for providing information and for interpreting or obtaining interpretation of  
 98 policy regarding matters falling under its jurisdiction;
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 100 9. Shall receive reports or recommendations or resolutions from administrative or presidential  
 101 committees in areas for which it is responsible, and, when appropriate, shall be invited to be  
 102 represented on those committees.

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 104 B. The Senate Chair, after consultation with the Executive Committee, shall decide which faculty council  
 105 shall assume jurisdiction when jurisdictional responsibility may be unclear and shall arrange for  
 106 coordination among councils in the event that a matter may fall within the responsibility of more than  
 107 one council.

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 109 *S-A 29, June 8, 1964; S-A 43, November 14, 1972; S-A 67, December 5, 1983: all with Presidential*  
 110 *approval.*

### 112 **Section 42-34 Faculty Council on Academic Standards**

113 The Faculty Council on Academic Standards shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for  
114 matters of University policy relating to the academic affairs of the University, such as admissions policy,  
115 scholastic standards, university graduation requirements, and inter-institutional academic standards.  
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117 *S-A 29, June 8, 1964; Senate Executive Committee action, November 30, 1964; S-A 50, January 22,*  
118 *1976; S-A 73, May 24, 1985: all with Presidential approval.*  
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#### 120 **Section 42-36 Faculty Council on Faculty Affairs**

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122 The Faculty Council on Faculty Affairs shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for all matters  
123 of policy relating to the interests of the faculty, such as appointment, tenure, promotion, professional  
124 leave, compensation (including salary and fringe benefits), academic freedom, standards of academic  
125 performance, and professional ethics.  
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127 *S-A 29, June 8, 1964: with Presidential approval.*  
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#### 129 **Section 42-37 Faculty Council on Research**

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131 The Faculty Council on Research shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for all matters of  
132 policy relating to research and scholarship.  
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134 *S-A 29, June 8, 1964; S-A 85, May 27, 1992: both with Presidential approval; RC, April 29, 2014.*  
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#### 136 **Section 42-38 Faculty Council on Student Affairs**

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138 The Faculty Council on Student Affairs shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for all matters  
139 of policy relating to non-academic student affairs such as financial aid, housing, regulation of social  
140 affairs, eligibility rules, intercollegiate athletics, and general student welfare.  
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142 *S-A 29, June 8, 1964 with Presidential approval.*  
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#### 144 **Section 42-39 Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services**

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146 The Faculty Council on University Facilities and Services shall be responsible (as described in [Section](#)  
147 [42-33](#)) for all matters of policy relating to University facilities and services such as building needs, space  
148 utilization, supplies and equipment, administrative services, and parking and traffic problems.  
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150 *S-A 29, June 8, 1964 with Presidential approval.*  
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#### 152 **Section 42-41 Faculty Council on University Libraries**

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154 The Faculty Council on University Libraries shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for all  
155 matters of policy relating to libraries such as, but not limited to, collection development; services to  
156 students, faculty, and others; the system of libraries, including branch libraries; space needs; and  
157 budgetary requirements.  
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159 *S-A 50, January 22, 1976 with Presidential approval.*  
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#### 161 **Section 42-44 Faculty Council on Benefits and Retirement**

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163 The Faculty Council on Benefits and Retirement shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for  
164 all matters of policy relating to faculty retirement, insurance and benefits.  
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166 *S-A 89, April 8, 1994 with Presidential approval.*  
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#### 168 **Section 42-46 Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy**

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170 The Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy shall be responsible for matters of academic and non-  
171 academic policy between and among the campuses of the University of Washington.

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173 *S-A 104, April 9, 2001 with Presidential approval.*

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175 **Section 42-47 Faculty Council on Women in Academia**

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177 The Faculty Council on Women in Academia shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for all  
178 matters of policy relating to the interests of women.

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180 *S-A 114, June 9, 2005 with Presidential approval; RC, September 23, 2009.*

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182 **Section 42-48 Faculty Council on Multicultural Affairs**

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184 The Faculty Council on Multicultural Affairs shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for all  
185 matters of policy relating to the interests of faculty of color.

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187 *S-A 114, June 9, 2005 with Presidential approval; RC, September 23, 2009.*

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189 **Section 42-49 Faculty Council on Teaching and Learning**

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191 The Faculty Council on Teaching and Learning shall be responsible (as described in [Section 42-33](#)) for all  
192 matters of policy, both academic and non-academic, relating to improvement of teaching and learning in  
193 the University; including distance learning, continuing education, and Summer Quarter, ~~and the use of~~  
194 ~~educational technology in instruction.~~

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196 *S-A 123, May 27, 2010 with Presidential approval; RC, October 27, 2017.*

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198 **Section 42-50 Faculty Council on Information Technology, Security, and Managing Innovation**

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200 The Faculty Council on Information Technology and Security shall be responsible (as described in  
201 [Section 42-33](#)) for all matters of policy relating to Information Technology and Security such as  
202 technology used for teaching and learning; videoconferencing; technology relating to hiring, merit, and  
203 promotion; collection and use of student data analytics; and research. This also entails issues of security  
204 and intellectual property regarding the use of such technologies.