

## Educational Policy Committee – Chair’s Report

The EPC met on 11/7/16 and 12/2/16.

- On 11/23, David Tsugawa resigned as co-chair.
- On 12/2, we were joined by Dorinna Manuel-Cortez to discuss current policies.

### Fast Track Policy

- On 10/28/16, the Senate approved [eleven minor changes](#) to be added to the Fast Track policy.
- The EPC has collected department feedback regarding a check for Fast Track approval by tenured and tenure-track faculty who have taught the course in the past five years. This feedback will be discussed at our January meeting.

### Policies ready for a Senate vote

- [HAW 5.301](#)
- [HAW 5.503](#)
- [HAW 5.850](#)
  - **NOTE: EPC is recommending a deletion of this policy.** This policy requires that students earning multiple degrees complete a required number of credits (at least 15) beyond the hours required for the first degree. There are several cases in which students do not need all 15 credits to complete the second degree. This creates problems with Financial Aid (which won't pay for students to complete unnecessary coursework), and seems to go against current practices of trying to make degree-earning less complicated (automatic conferral, reverse-transfer, etc). Please see [UHCCP 5.205](#) for related system-level policies.

### Policies currently being reviewed

- [HAW 5.606](#)
- [HAW 5.702](#)
- [HAW 7.220](#)
- [HAW 7.330](#)

Next EPC meeting: Friday, January 20, 2017.

*- Respectfully submitted by Chair Jessica Gonzalez*