

Resolution Proposal Form

The first official step in the process to have a resolution considered by University Council is for the chair of a university commission or senate commission to submit a resolution proposal to the University Council Cabinet for consideration. The form will assist the UC Cabinet in its determination of whether the resolution falls within the scope of the respective commission. Typically, the UC Cabinet will respond within two weeks.

Commission Name: Commission on Graduate and Professional Studies and Policies

Resolution Number: CGPSP 2026-27B

Resolution Proposal (Concept/Purpose)

Explain the concept for the resolution, the need for the resolution, any issues the resolution is attempting to address, etc. Could this resolution potentially impact the work of other commissions?

This proposal adds a grievance process for graduate and professional students to the Graduate Catalogue relating to disputes or concerns about a faculty member's professional behavior in their capacity as a student's instructor, advisor, co-advisor, committee member, or as supervisor of graduate teaching and/or research assistants.

Existing Policy, Procedure, Standard, Guideline, Handbook/Catalog, etc.

What existing policies (University Policy, Presidential Policy Memorandum), procedures, standards, guidelines, handbooks, catalogs, etc. would be impacted potentially by this proposal?

List impacted document(s): Graduate Catalogue

Explain whether impacted document(s) will be replaced or revised:

Revised. New language will be added outlining the grievance policy and process.

Potential Legal or Resource Implications of Proposal or Additional Review Needed (check all that apply)

- ☐ List potential legal implications, if any:
- ☐ List potential HR/personnel implications, if any:
- ☐ List potential revenue/financial impacts, if any:
- ☐ Requires SCHEV review and approval

Reminder: Sponsors of resolutions that have budgetary impact(s) must work with the appropriate administrators to make an estimate of cost and add that information to the resolution before the final commission vote, including the source of the estimate. The estimate of cost does not need to be finalized but should represent a good-faith effort to "ballpark" the budgetary impact(s). (University Council Bylaws, Article III, Section 1)

Submitted By

Name of Commission Chair: Jerald Walz

Date: 9/28/26

I acknowledge that entering my name above represents my signature.

This completed form should be uploaded as a PDF to the resolution tracker with a marked status of University Council Cabinet Review to begin the process.