CUCAS Transform CSCU 2020 Resolution

Whereas, the Board of Regents for the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities (CSCU) is considering the adoption of Transform CSCU 2020 initiatives that will fundamentally change current undergraduate curricula and academic standards;

Whereas, prominent amongst matters of concern to the University Senate and its standing committees are curriculum policy and curricular structure;

Whereas, as it is recognized that mutual benefits are to be derived from continual improvement in the CSCU system, and that participation of faculty and professional employees in the formulation of policies under which they provide their services is educationally sound;

Resolved, that Western Connecticut State University urges the Board of Regents to submit all relevant Transform CSCU 2020 initiatives involving changes in curriculum, curricular policy, and academic standards to appropriate campus governance committees.

This request is predicated on the conviction that teaching is an essential task of academic institutions and a primary reason why the public values and supports higher education. Faculty are recognized experts in their areas of instruction, and uniquely equipped with the knowledge necessary to provide high-quality education. It is, thusly, appropriate and necessary to recognize the authority of faculty in all matters related to curriculum and academic standards to maintain the dignity, and exercise the independence that is central to the protection of the public’s trust.

Resolved by the WCSU University Senate Standing Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum and Standards
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