
Class C Resolution Concerning Faculty Seminar Series

WHEREAS, selected members of the University of Washington community have considerable expertise in matters of policy and practice on a wide range of issues facing our campus, city, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, there is now the prospect of significant changes in long-standing federal policies and practices that have the potential to impact our campus, city, state, and nation, in the short and long term; and

WHEREAS, members of the University of Washington community have a responsibility to serve as leaders and models in anticipating, influencing, and responding to these potential changes; and

WHEREAS, open discussions of the potential consequences of changes in federal policies and practices is one way to increase our shared understanding of and ability to provide leadership on these issues; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that we ask the Faculty Senate leadership to facilitate the organization of a series of informational meetings and make available related resources during the remainder of the 2016-2017 academic year on topics including the following:

- Immigration law and the status of DACA students;
- The Affordable Care Act;
- Climate and environmental science;
- Government support of basic research;
- Civility and inclusivity training;
- Higher education funding and practices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this series leverage the expertise of our faculty to help all faculty members serve as informed leaders on campus, regardless of present and future government policies, as a reaffirmation of our roles in teaching, research, and service, and a statement of our dedication to our public mission.

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