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## COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH

23-24 CR 8  
Sunday, February 25, 2024

**TO:** The Executive Committee of the Academic Senate (ExCom)

**FROM:** The Committee on Research (CR)

**SUBJECT:** 23-24 CR 8: Proposal for the Re-charter of the Center for Student Research (CSR)

**PURPOSE:** Action Item for the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate

**REQUEST:** The Executive Committee approve the charter renewal for the [Center for Student Research](#), and share with the Academic Senate as an information item

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

One of the express duties of the Committee on Research (CR) is “to make recommendations... regarding proposals for new centers and institutes in a manner corresponding to policies approved by the Academic Senate and the President” (Bylaws Art. XVII §4.A.3). [11-12 CR 2 revised](#) further specifies that all charter or re-charter proposals will be reviewed by the CR, and “either referred back to the proposing team of faculty/administrators for revision or referred to the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate for consideration” (11-12 CR 2 revised §D.3.).

The current charter of the Center for Student Research is set to expire on June 30, 2024. On January 24th, 2024, Associate Vice President Chandra Khan, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, forwarded to the Chair of the CR a draft [charter](#) for renewal of the Center for Student Research. This was subsequently reviewed by and discussed at the CR meeting on February 8th, 2024. The CR members agreed that the draft charter did not meet all the requirements of 11-12 CR 2 revised and was referred back to Jennifer Sherwood, the Director of the CSR, for revisions as follows as summarized in the [CSR Comment and Response email](#).

In response, CSR Director, Jennifer Sherwood, submitted a [revised version of the charter renewal](#) along with [responses to each of the questions from CR](#) on February 19th, 2024, which were discussed and unanimously approved at the CR meeting on February 22nd, 2024.