
MEMORANDUM

Academic Senate Executive Office
Council on Research
Los Angeles Division
3125 Murphy Hall
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DATE: January 14, 2009
TO: Michael Goldstein, Chair, Academic Senate
FROM: Council on Research Meeting January 9, 2009
RE: Senate Item for Review: Policy 993, Research Misconduct

UCLA's Council on Research engaged in discussion during review of the revisions to UCLA Policy 993 that deals with Research Misconduct. In response to your request, COR invited to the December 12, 2008 meeting Assistant Vice Chancellor Ann Pollack (the author of the proposed revisions), to provide some background information and a rationale for the proposed changes.

Ms. Pollack's presentation dealt at first with the evolution of UCLA Policy 993 since the late 1980's and the adoption of the current version in June 2006. However, since that time further changes and clarifications seemed required – particularly concerning the scope and the applicability of the policy. Policy 993 is intended to apply to faculty members, research staff, students, and it also applies to those with formal affiliations such as visiting scholars, registered research volunteers, and clinicians with hospital privileges. In addition, UCLA Policy 993 is to apply to research endeavors across all disciplines including social sciences, humanities, music and theater.

Members of the Council on Research attending the December 12, 2008 meeting considered Ms. Pollack's arguments in favor of adopting the proposed changes and clarifications of UCLA Policy 993 to be persuasive and at the COR meeting on January 9, 2009 the attending members voted unanimously in favor of endorsing the proposed revisions.

Sincerely,

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Professor and Chair, UCLA COR