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# Board of Control Meeting

December 14, 2012

# Philosophy

The Senate should work in concert with the Board of Control and the Administration in the development of policies and procedures, especially those that affect academic programs and research.

The Senate and its constituents enhance the cognitive diversity that can be brought to bear on issues and problems that affect the University.

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The Senate has the responsibility to review, make recommendations, initiate, and participate in the formulation of policy and procedures in:

- Institutional priorities
- Allocation and utilization of the Universities human, fiscal, and physical resources
- Administrative procedures and organizational structure

### **Tobacco-Free Campus proposal:**

Senate Policy 908.1 (from proposal 16-94). “Smoking is prohibited in all University buildings...” (1994)

Board of Control Policy 12.2 (1): “Smoking is prohibited except where permitted by the VP for Administration.” (2010)

**The Senate should have been involved in the process from the beginning.**

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The Senate has the responsibility and authority to review and establish policy and procedure in the areas of:

- All curricular matters, including establishment, dissolution, and changes in degree programs.
- Requirements for certificates and academic degrees

### **University Learning Goals**

These goals clearly will affect degree programs and general education requirements, thus the Senate should have been involved in their development, and they should have been voted on by the Senate.

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# Summary

- The Senate has responsibility in some areas to establish policies and procedures.
- The Senate is supposed to participate in other areas in the formulation of policy and procedures.

**The Senate needs to be involved from the beginning in the discussion and development of policies and procedures.**

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