Faculty Senate Issue Log Form

Date-Submitted: June 14, 2022
Title-of-Issue: Term limits for GPD/UPD not limited.
Description: Currently, GPD and UPD positions have strict limits of 3-year appointments with two terms. Exceptional extensions can be made with the dean’s approval but can only be made in extraordinary circumstances. However, for small programs or programs with early career faculty, it is not an extraordinary circumstance to have limited options for GPD/UPD roles. We suggest changing the language to remove language about term limits or change it to say, term limits are negotiated with the GPD/UPD with the chair to best serve the needs of the department.
Rationale: It is not extraordinary that there are not enough faculty to serve in the GPD/UPD roles. Removing the language around term limits for GPDs/UPDs would allow more flexibility to the department for filling these critical roles.
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