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Re: Comments from IEC on the APM 430 Review

The Committee on International Education has reviewed the APM 430 Review (allowing for appointments of students and academics as Visiting Scholars) document and is in support of the policy. The committee's comments in support of APM 430 are as follows:

The new academic title makes sense. A committee member provided the example of losing a visiting scientist who had support from his government to come to UCR for a research leave. However, the visiting scientist's stipend was below the UC pay scale for a postdoc and UC required that a large supplement from grant funds be provided, which was not available using the current available grants at that time. Even after the visiting scientist offered to set up an account to support himself from personal funds, he still was unable to come to UCR because postdocs cannot be self-supported according to UC rules. The new category proposed here eliminates this problem by creating a nonpaid category for visiting scholars who are self-supported or who come here with support from their own government or university.

One committee member who supported APM 430 did question if the policy will come with the same privileges such as library access, ID card, and network ID as other titles have access to.

As chair of the committee, I support the new policy, since it provides greater flexibility, which is much needed, in welcoming students and post-docs from abroad to come to UCR, who otherwise may encounter regulations that do not allow them to come.