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Mary Gilly, Chair, Academic Council
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RE: Proposed Revision to Senate Regulation 682

Dear Mary,

The UCR Executive Council discussed the proposed changes to SR682 during its January 12 meeting. It was Council's opinion that the proposed change will be useful to the campuses. There is, however, an ambiguity in the language that must be corrected before the proposal is adopted: the proposed change states that "... the Graduate Council *may* set the terms and deadline formal advancing to candidacy ..." (my emphasis), which allows the Graduate Council not to set terms or deadlines at all. We suggest replacing the modification by

In the case of the Master's degree, the Graduate Council *shall* set the terms and deadline for formal advancement to candidacy in anticipation of the conferring of the degree.

(emphasis added for clarity).

The UCR Division appreciates the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J Wudka".

Jose Wudka, Riverside Division Chair
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CC: Hilary Baxter, Executive Director of the Academic Senate
Cynthia Palmer, Executive Director of the UCR Academic Senate