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Practicum Advisory Committee:

Background:

The Sixth College Academic Plan dated May 14, 2001, as subsequently approved by the UCSD Academic Senate, does not specifically call for a Practicum Advisory Committee. However, in 2004, the Sixth College Executive Committee recommended that a special Practicum Committee should be established to assure the academic and intellectual integrity of the Practicum Program. This has been the informal policy of Sixth College since that time.

At this point, the Executive Committee formally recognizes the establishment of the Practicum Advisory Committee, with the guidelines below.

Composition:

Five faculty members (preferably one from each of the divisions involved in undergraduate education: Arts & Humanities; Biological Sciences; Jacobs School of Engineering; Physical Sciences; Social Sciences), ex officio members: Provost, Academic Program Director, Practicum Director; Student (to be named by Sixth College Student Council), Dean of Academic Advising. One of the faculty representatives will serve as the chair of the committee.

Members shall be chosen by the Provost in consultation with the Director of Academic Programs, the Practicum Director, and the Chair of the Executive Committee. Members will typically serve for three years, and may be appointed for additional terms if appropriate.

Role of Committee:

The Committee shall advise the Provost, the Director of Academic Programs, and the Practicum Director on all matters regarding the practicum.

The committee shall review petitions and advise the Practicum Director in the decision making process.

The committee shall review non-traditional, non-typical practicum proposals as requested by the Practicum Director.

The committee shall participate in the identification of long- and short-term projects.

The committee shall participate in the recruitment of faculty.

The Committee shall review and analyze assessment and evaluation data collected to assess the effectiveness and efficacy of the Practicum.