

POLICY CONCEPT FORM

Name and UO Title/Affiliation:	Angela Wilhelms, University Secretary
Policy Title/# (if applicable):	Four Former OUS Policies: (i) Joint Campus Programs (For Graduate Students) (OUS 32) (ii) New Graduate Programs (External Review) (OUS 37) (iii) New Instructional Programs, Follow-Up (OUS 38) (iv) Curricular Allocations, Policies and Procedures (OUS 18)
Submitted on Behalf Of:	Office of the Provost and Academic Affairs; Graduate School
Responsible Executive Officer:	Office of Provost (Contact: Mariann Hyland)

SELECT ONE: New Policy Revision Repeal

Click the box to select

HAS THE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL REVIEWED THIS CONCEPT: Yes No

If yes, which attorney(s): Kevin Reed

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER

Include the policy name and number of any existing policies associated with this concept.

There are four old OUS policies which the UO inherited as part of the governance transition. They are listed below and attached (numbers were assigned by us and are used in the UO policy library as OUS did not have a numbering system).

- (i) Joint Campus Programs (For Graduate Students) (OUS 32)
- (ii) **New Graduate Programs (External Review) (OUS 37)**
- (iii) New Instructional Programs, Follow-Up (OUS 38)
- (iv) Curricular Allocations, Policies and Procedures (OUS 18)

RELATED STATUTES, REGULATIONS, POLICIES, ETC.

List known statutes, regulations, policies (including unit level policies), or similar related to or impacted by the concept. Include hyperlinks where possible, excerpts when practical (e.g. a short statute), or attachments if necessary. Examples: statute that negates the need for or requires updates to an existing policy; unit level policy(ies) proposed for University-wide enactment; or existing policies used in a new, merged and updated policy.

Oregon Revised Statute 352.089(2) and related OARs covers the HECC's role in approving changes to academic programs. OARs most directly related to programs include chapters 583 and 589.

STATEMENT OF NEED

What does this concept accomplish and why is it necessary?

These policies are not necessary and should be repealed. They are hold-overs from the Oregon University System and are either completely irrelevant or cover material that is now articulated in statute, HECC rule, or HECC processes.

OUS 18: This policy references the State Board (which no longer exists) and the subject matter is now covered by ORS and the HECC.

OUS 37: This material is also now covered by the HECC. Ultimately, the graduate school would like to have clear language on the website, etc. about processes and requirements from accreditors, HECC, etc., but that is not a “policy”

OUS 38: Again, this is set by HECC (and not to mention this policy language is very outdated)

OUS 32: This program still exists, but the policy (44 years old) is not necessary. It does not reflect existing realities of the program and is more about OUS authorizing such partnerships. The Graduate School has moved to an MOU model, which it has done with PSU and will do with OSU to ensure a modern understanding.

AFFECTED PARTIES

Who is impacted by this change, and how?

NA – Since these subjects are all covered and managed elsewhere, no one is affected by the repeal of these policies. It doesn’t change current practices, rules, obligations, etc.

CONSULTED STAKEHOLDERS

Which offices/departments have reviewed your concept and are they confirmed as supportive? (Please do not provide a list of every individual consulted. Remain focused on stakeholders (e.g. ASUO, Office of the Provost, Registrar, Title IX Coordinator, etc.).)

Name	Office	Date
Mariann Hyland, Ron Bramhall	Academic Affairs	Multiple
Scott Pratt, Kellie Geldreich	Graduate School	Multiple
Harbaugh/Sinclair	University Senate	In Process

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New Graduate Programs, External Review Policy for

Effective Date: 07/01/2014

Responsible University Office And Contact Person

[Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost \(http://provost.uoregon.edu/\)](http://provost.uoregon.edu/)
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Policy Statement:

In spring 1988, the Board indicated an interest in altering its program review policies. One are of concern was the need for external reviews of new graduate level programs. The Board asked staff to provide recommendations to the following two questions:

- Should the Board conduct follow-up reviews of all new graduate level programs approved by the Board to assure that the campuses did, in fact, implement programs as they were approved to do?
- With continuing concerns about duplication of effort among campuses at the graduate level as well as concerns about the adequacy of the Oregon University System's financial resources, how can the Board be certain that new graduate programs will meet a desired standard for quality and nonduplication of effort?

In response to these concerns, staff began working in the summer of 1988 to collect data on graduate level programs and to survey other states' approaches to graduate level program review.

Once drafted, the external review procedure was reviewed by faculty between June and November 1989. Revisions were made in the procedure as a result of this review. The recommended policy, which follows, and guidelines were approved by the Academic council at its December 13, 1989, meeting.

External Review Policy for New Graduate Programs

1. Any new graduate program requests must be accompanied by an external review report.
2. The Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, working with an OUS Council of Graduate Deans, shall determine if an external review will be required for a request for a new center or institute. An external review for a center or institute should be customary if there will be a significant and long-term state investment of resources and/or the center of institute involves a significant instructional component.
3. The Guidelines for the External Review of New Graduate Programs is the procedure to be followed for all external reviews. (A copy of those guidelines is on file in the Board's office.)

Cross Reference to Related Policies:

[Policy Document \(https://policies.uoregon.edu/sites/policies2.uoregon.edu/files/uploads/New%20Graduate%20Programs%2C%20External%20Review%20Policy%20for.pdf\)](https://policies.uoregon.edu/sites/policies2.uoregon.edu/files/uploads/New%20Graduate%20Programs%2C%20External%20Review%20Policy%20for.pdf)

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