

SENATE ACTION FORM

No. 1258

Subject:

Reference to Senate Minutes dated: 02/26/2024

Senate Action

MOTION: To approve the resolution in support of Student

VOTE: Approved by unanimous vote

Response requested:

_____ Approval for placement in University Catalog, Undergraduate and Graduate

_____ Approval for placement in University Regulations

_____ Recommendation to Board for placement in Board Policy Manual

X None (sent as information item)

_____ Other action requested/comments:

Faculty Senate Chair

2/28/2024
Date



Attachment to Senate Action #1258
Approved by the Faculty Senate
February 26, 2024

Resolution in support of student RSCW

Tyler Engstrom and Skylar Klocker, for senate discussion on 2/12/2024

None; to be sent as information item to university administration.

With recent added scrutiny on all university travel, Faculty Senate wants to reaffirm our position that undergraduate and graduate student travel for the purpose of dissemination of research, scholarship, and creative works has _____ for students and is _____ for their faculty advisors if the workloads of the latter include professional activity.

Research, Scholarship, and Creative Works are essential to the mission of the University of Northern Colorado. The Board Adopted Mission Values states that, "The University strives to be a leading student-centered university that promotes effective teaching, lifelong learning, the advancement of knowledge, research, and a commitment to service." Promoting the "advancement of knowledge" and research is also explicitly cited in the 2030 Rowing Not Drifting strategic plan, wherein it is affirmed that, "Scholarship is an essential part of informed learning occurring in and out of the classroom." As a university that adopts the teacher/scholar model, scholarship is a fundamental component of promoting excellence in teaching and is required to make the university truly Students First.

Foundational to scholarship is its dissemination. A primary method of dissemination is through participation at academic conferences. _____

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. Further, we support the university's efforts for fiscal responsibility which allows for this continued support. These strategic budgeting efforts provide an opportunity to reaffirm our core values and realign our support toward those initiatives essential to our mission. We therefore urge the university to preserve its encouragement and support, through the prioritization of resources, for student research, scholarship, and creative works, together with their dissemination by students.