

# MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

October 2, 2023

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Steering Committee  
**FROM:** Tyler Silvestri  
*Secretary for Academic Governance*  
**SUBJECT:** Matters Referred to Committees | September 5, 2023–Present

Pursuant to the reviewable authority granted to me by the Steering Committee on September 5, 2023, I received the following requests for referral and took the actions associated with each.

### **International Studies and Programs Representation on UCUE**

University Committee on Undergraduate Education Chairperson Antoinette Tessmer submitted a request to add a representative of International Studies and Programs to the voting membership of UCUE. This change would require an amendment to section 4.4.1 of the *Bylaws for Academic Governance*.

Section 8.3.1. of the *Bylaws* reads, in part, "Proposed amendments [to the *Bylaws*] shall be submitted to the University Committee on Academic Governance." Accordingly, I have referred the matter to UCAG.

### **Role and Responsibility of Athletic Council**

A member of the faculty submitted a request for "A discussion regarding the role, responsibilities and scope of the standing Athletic Council. A review of the bylaws/compliance and mission of the AC would be beneficial for clarity and understanding for the future. Examining other bodies at other Big Ten universities would be beneficial."

The University Committee on Academic Governance is currently reviewing potential amendments to the Athletic Council's procedures, and the committee's work is likely to affect the discussion described in the request. Accordingly, I have added this communication to the file for the broader Athletic Council issue, and I have made the submitter aware.



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