

March 10, 2011

To: Dr. Gordon Emslie, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

Re: University Senate Consultation on Policy

NUMBER 1.300

DIVISION: Academic Affairs

TITLE: Equal Treatment of Students

The University Senate has been asked for consultation on the policy on Equal Treatment of Students. The policy was presented to the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) on March 7, 2011. The SEC suggested the revision noted in the attached document. The SEC voted to recommend that the Responsible Officer seek approval of this revision. The policy revision will be presented as an information item to the University Senate at the next meeting.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this policy.

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University Senate Chair

POLICY & PROCEDURE DOCUMENT

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DATE: May 5, 1998

REVISED:

Policy for: Procedure for: Authorized by: CAD Issued by:

I. Purpose and Scope

II. Policy

Western Kentucky University is committed to providing truly equal educational opportunities for all students. An important component of that commitment is to insure that all students, regardless of gender, race, religion, ethnicity, or sexual orientation feel welcome on campus, in the classroom, and in their interactions with faculty and staff. The Council of Academic Deans affirms this commitment and reinforces the expectation that all faculty and staff will conduct themselves in such a manner that all students feel they are treated equally and fairly at the university.

III. Procedure

Students who believe they have experienced any discrimination at Western should feel free to report it to a faculty member, a department head, a dean, or to any administrative official. Anyone receiving such a report should take it seriously and pass it on to appropriate deans or supervisors for further investigation and any needed action.

IV. Related Policies

V. Reason for Revision