

SPECIAL REPORT

of the

RESEARCH COUNCIL

concerning

**REVISION OF THE SCHEDULE FOR REVIEWS
OF CENTERS AND INSTITUTES**

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In early April 2018 the Research Council was informed that changes in the process for reviewing Centers and Institutes adopted in 2013-2014 (see Faculty Senate Document 14-032) inadvertently introduced a very uneven year-to-year workflow for the Centers and Institute Review Committee. Because so many of the Centers and Institutes were overdue for reviews at that time, 26 Centers and Institutes were reviewed in that single year of 2013-2014, with far fewer reviews required in the subsequent years. Those same 26 Centers and Institutes are scheduled to be reviewed again in the coming academic year, 2018-2019.

The Research Policy Committee (Executive Committee of the Research Council) discussed this issue on behalf of the Research Council at its monthly meeting on April 20, 2018. The Research Policy Committee voted unanimously to recommend that the Faculty Senate allow the Centers and Institutes Review Committee to defer reviews of a sufficient number of Centers and Institutes scheduled for review in academic year 2018-2019 into the subsequent academic years of 2019-20 through 2022-23 to even out the number of reviews done in any particular year. Moving forward, this will permit maintaining a much more even distribution of the number of Centers or Institutes to be reviewed in any particular year.

The Research Council affirmed this recommendation at its meeting on April 27th, 2018.

MOTION: That the Faculty Senate approve the recommendation of the Research Council
01-19 regarding revision of the schedule for reviews of Centers and Institutes to be undertaken during academic years 2018-19 through 2022-2023.