#### UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK

#### TRANSMITTAL OF FACULTY SENATE LEGISLATION

Faculty Senate legislation is to be submitted to the chancellor to approve or disapprove within ten calendar days after the Assembly review period. The chancellor may approve or disapprove any Faculty Senate legislation within a period from the eleventh through the twenty-fifth calendar day after the Faculty Senate action has been presented to the Assembly, unless the Assembly has been petitioned to amend or rescind the Faculty Senate legislation. In the latter case, the chancellor's approval or disapproval shall be made no later than fifteen calendar days after the Assembly has voted on and failed to approve a motion to amend or rescind a legislative action of the Faculty Senate. The chancellor shall provide written reasons for disapproval to the Faculty Senate.

## To the Chancellor of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock:

The following *recommendation* passed the UALR Faculty Senate on March 19, 2021.

**FS\_2021\_06** Inclement Weather Policy

**Be it resolved to** recommend modifications to the Inclement Weather Policy as it pertains to instruction as indicated in below (strikethrough indicates deletion; underline indicates addition).

# Policy 215.1 Inclement Weather (Inclement) and Other Campus Closures

## Policy:

- 1. During inclement weather, UA Little Rock will make a decision whether or not to close or delay opening the campus based on all available information.
- 1. 2. During inclement weather and other disruptions, the chancellor will decide, based on all available information, whether or not conditions warrant eanceling classes and activities and closing or delaying the opening of the campus, or whether classes and activities will be canceled but with specified campus offices open.
- 2. In the event of campus closure or delayed start, affected courses may continue Online or webenhanced classes will continue as scheduled at the discretion and direction of the course instructor faculty member. In this event, courses will be following a "Virtual Protocol" indicating they would switch to an alternate modality, means or method. The Virtual Protocol will be defined for each course by the instructor in the course syllabus (Policy 404.8).
- 3. The <u>UA Little Rock website</u>, UA Little Rock email, the university's main telephone number (501-916-3000), and the Rave campus alert notification system are the official means of communicating information concerning weather-related closings.

- 4. When necessary, the university will announce a separate decision about canceling night activities outside of business hours elasses (those classes starting at 4:20 p.m. or later) by 2 p.m., if possible.
- 5. Ordinarily, sites remote from campus such as the Bowen Law School and the Arkansas Studies Institute will close or cancel-classes and activities whenever the university does so. In some circumstances, however, a separate decision may be made whether or not a site remote from campus will be open or closed, and this decision will be announced through the university's official means of communicating weather-related closings.
- 6. Vice chancellors are responsible for seeing that necessary services are provided in their respective areas when the university is closed. Employees required to provide such services will be identified by their supervisors. Classified employees who must report to work when the university is closed due to inclement weather will be allowed compensation time of 1.5 hours for one hour worked. Persons who are not required to work when the university is closed will be granted authorized absence. Employees who do not report to work when the campus is open will be charged annual/compensatory leave or leave without pay. The Payroll Department will prescribe payroll reporting and timekeeping.
- 7. The Policy Advisory Council of the University Assembly will recommend to the chancellor if and when missed undergraduate and graduate class days should be made up. In the event that the university is closed during a final examination day, the provost, in consultation with the Faculty Senate president, will reschedule any missed graduate or undergraduate final examinations with the exception of online exams which will continue as scheduled.
- 8. Weather and road conditions vary from place to place. Employees and students are expected to exercise good judgment regarding the safety of travel when road conditions are affected by the weather.

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Faculty Senate President's Signature _	Amanda Nolen Date_	March 19, 2021
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