

# University Policy Office

Division of Financial Affairs

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#### Why Do We have Policies?

- Creates a Climate
- Manages Expectations
- Establishes Consistent Practices
- Protection from Audit
- Compliance with Laws and Regulations

#### It's Just Plain Good Business!



# What Do We Mean by "University Policy" <u>Four Criteria</u>

- Requires Senior-level (VP) Approval
- Has Broad Application
- Mitigates Risk, Increases Efficiency, and/or Promotes Compliance with Laws and Regulations
- Contains Procedures or Constraints



## History of the University Policy Office (UPO) <u>https://youtu.be/vEfp8MwIoiQ</u>

- Disbelief and Confusion
- Resistance
- Critical Mass
- Routinization



## What Policies Do You Use? STAFF

- University Policy 6.9, Time Away from Work
- University Policy 3.2, Travel Expenses
- University Policy 5.10, Information Security
- University Policy 4.7, Retention of University Records



## What Policies Do You Use? FACULTY

- University Policy 4.6, Standards of Ethical Conduct
- University Policy 3.2, Travel Expenses
- University Policy 1.2, Academic Misconduct
- University Policy 1.7, Financial Conflict of Interest Related to Research



## What Policies Do You Use? STUDENTS

- University Policy 4.8, Alcohol and Other Drugs
- University Policy 4.5, Access to Student Information (FERPA)
- University Policy 6.4, Prohibited Bias, Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual and Related Misconduct



### **Policy Volumes**

- 1: Academic/Research
- 2: Facilities
- 3: Financial Management
- 4: Governance/Legal

- 5: Information Technologies
- 6: Human Resources
- 7: Student Services
- 8: Risk Management and Public Safety



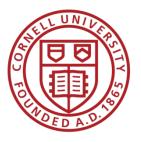
#### Who Owns University Policies?

- Responsible Executive
- Responsible Office
- Responsibility of Units
- Other Subject Owners, found in the "Contacts" Section of Policies



#### The Policy Process

- A Policy Can Begin from Anywhere
- Office or Person Charged with Development
- Impact Statement
- Editorial Group
- Review and Advisory Groups
  - Policy Advisory Group (PAG)
  - Executive Policy Review Group (EPRG)



#### The Role of the UPO in the Process

- Consult Throughout the Process
- Manage Drafts during Development
- Maintain and Archive the Policies
- Update the Process, Templates, Methodologies, etc
- Act as Clearinghouse



#### The Role of the RE/RO

- Inform and Enlighten the Community
- Keep the Policy Process Moving
- Communication (Additional to UPO)
- Ongoing Training
- Compliance
- Update Policy When Necessary



**Communicating Policies and Policy Changes** 

- Universitypolicies-l
- Other Email Vehicles
- Policy Website News Items
- Policy Landing Page
- Responsible Executive/Office



#### How You Can Get Involved

- PAG
- Editorial Groups
- Assemblies
- Unit Leader
- Functional Offices



#### The UPO and Higher Education Policy

### ACUPA: <u>www.acupa.org</u>



#### **Questions and Comments**



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