

# Northern Illinois University

# One Thing Leads to Another: Inception of a Policy Library

# It all started when....



- Shared governance recognized barriers in Constitution and Bylaws
  - Specificity and breadth
  - Threshold required to amend bylaws

# Our goals



• Initial goal = Revise and reorganize the CBL

• Subsequent goal = Develop policy library



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## UNIVERSITY **POLICIES**





Policies related to operations and administration



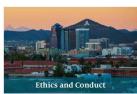
Link to policies that apply to the Arizona University System



Policies related to accounting, budgeting, purchasing, travel, and other financial functions



Policies related to your working relationship with the University



Policies related to personal and professional conduct



Policies related to buildings, equipment, and safety



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technology transfer policies represent the university

#### **New Policies**

Career Advancement for Service Professional Employees Effective September 8, 2016

University Policy-Making (Interim) Effective June 7, 2016

## Revised Policies

Student Conduct Updated September 28, 2016

International Travel Safety and Compliance Policy (Interim)
Updated September 28, 2016

Grading, Examinations, and Academic Standing Updated September 28, 2016

Suspensions and Terminations of Service Professional

Appointments Updated September 27, 2016

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### Policies Under Consideration

Proposed Revisions to Smoking and Tobacco and Campus Use

Policies Posted August 23, 2016

Physical and Electronic Access Control Policy Posted February 18, 2015

## Repealed Policies

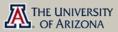
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## News

- University policy update -September 2016
- University policy update April
- Policy on giving and receiving gifts
- Board approves resolution on change to partner benefits in
- Comprehensive Policy Review Process and Recommendations - October 2013

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## **Welcome to the University Policy Office**

This website is the definitive source for the most current Purdue University system-wide policies. Policies duplicated on other websites or in print may not be the most current version.

Policies are organized into eight volumes, which are listed in the gray navigation bar above. Use the Find a Policy page for additional help in locating a policy. The current policy numbering scheme took effect November 2011; a crossover grid is available to show the change in policy numbers prior to and after this reorganization.

Each of the four campuses maintains additional administrative policies specific to their needs and structure. Individual colleges, schools and departments may adopt distinct practices, standards or guidelines, all of which must be consistent with these system-wide policies. The Helpful Links page provides a list of where this additional information may be found. Academic regulations are generally not included on this website and can be found either on the Student Regulations website or by contacting the Office of the Provost.

## **NEW AND RECENTLY REVISED POLICIES:**

9/6/16 - Use of Vehicles for University Business (IV.A.1)

8/15/16 - Regulations Regarding Retailing, Commercial Soliciting, Canvassing, Sponsorship, and Marketing Activities on the Campuses of Purdue University (IV.B.3)

7/1/16 - Anti-Harassment (III.C.1)

7/1/16 - Equal Opportunity, Equal Access and Affirmative Action (III.C.2)

## **RECENTLY WITHDRAWN POLICIES:**

These policies can be found in the Purdue Policy e-Archives.

9/6/16 - Flexible Work Schedules for Biweekly-Paid Staff and Operations/Technical Assistants as Subject to the Fair Labor Standard Act (VPBS 178)

6/1/16 - Disclosure of University Records in Connection with the "Access to Public Records" Act and in Response to Third-Party Subpoenas (VIII.A.3)

6/1/16 - Special Merit Pay (II.C.4)

Human Resources Office of the Provost Information Technology Faculty & Staff Handbook

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# Why is a policy library important?



Policies exist in multiple locations

- Access, organization, consistency
- Absence of guidelines for policy management (i.e., policy on polices)
- Compliance and risk management concerns

# How is this a shared governance concern?



- Compared to other universities, NIU's
  - Policies codified as bylaws
  - Breadth and specificity unmatched

Desired increase in accessibility and efficiency

# What's been done thus far?



- Created a formative two-year plan
- Amended Article 22

Reviewed core governance documents

 Wrote a revised CBL draft with supporting narrative and resource material

## What's the current focus?



- Gather information about other universities' policy libraries
  - Rubric used to identify best practices

"Eight questions" responses

Gather exemplars of policy templates and management guidelines

Collaborate with DOIT

# Where do we go from here?



- Compile and review policies across institutional divisions
- Endorse policy management guidelines
- Introduce recommended CBL changes to University Council
- Work with APPM Committee

# Long-term success requires that we...



Disseminate information about the library and guidelines

- Create a structure that maintains and updates the library
- Re-write policies to increase readability

# Moving forward: The OGC, BOT, and policy library



Coordination

• Endorsement

Implementation