

Portland State University Faculty Senate Motion Extending the charge of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Interdisciplinary Teaching and Research

Background, rationale, and preliminary discussions

The charge of the Ad Hoc Committee on Interdisciplinary Teaching and Research was approved by the Senate in April 2018 and extended in May 2020 through December 2020.

The Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Summer Research Committee on Academic Program Examination / Reorganization suggested in its [report to Senate](#) in October 2020 that Senate pursue several initiatives related to interdisciplinary teaching and research, particularly that Senate investigate how to create more opportunities for interdisciplinary degrees at the graduate and undergraduate levels (see pp. 15-17). These initiatives fall within the charge of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Interdisciplinary Teaching and Research.

The Ad-Hoc Committee on Interdisciplinary Teaching and Research has agreed to take on the initiatives and requests until the end of the academic year (June 2021) to complete the work.

Motion presented by the Faculty Senate Steering Committee

The charge of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Interdisciplinary Teaching and Research is extended through June 2021.

Presented to the Senate on December 7, 2020.

Approved/ Denied by the Senate on _____.