

Policy 2-001: Authority of the University of Utah and the Utah System of Higher Education.

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I. Purpose and Scope

A. Purpose.

To outline the University's and the Utah Board of Higher Education’s authority as granted by the State of Utah

B. Scope.

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II. Definitions

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III. Policy

A. University of Utah

1. Authority

- a. The University of Utah is an institution of higher learning organized under the constitution and laws of the state of Utah as a body corporate and politic, controlled and supported by the people of the state, and dedicated primarily to disseminating and assimilating knowledge in advanced fields of study and higher learning, research, and intellectual service to the state and nation. The University is granted authority by the state as listed in Utah Code Sections 53B-2-101 and 53B-1-102, Utah Code Title 53B, Chapter 17, University of Utah and other laws as applicable.

2. Operation

- a. The University is granted responsibility for institutional operation as defined in the Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R121-3.

B. Utah Board of Higher Education

1. Authority and Functions

- a. The Utah Board of Higher Education is empowered as a single board by the legislature to govern the Utah System of Higher Education, of which the University of Utah is a member, and to centrally direct and plan the course of higher education in Utah, delegating powers to the boards of trustees of members of the Utah system of higher education at its discretion. Utah Code Section 53B-1-402, Utah Board of Higher Education Policies R120-3.1 and R121
- b. The authority of the Utah Board of Higher Education to organize committees is established in Utah Code 53B-1-404 and Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R120.

2. Elections and Duties of the Officers of the Utah Board of Higher Education are established as listed in Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R120.

3. Commissioner of Higher Education

- a. The appointment of and succession plan for the Commissioner of Higher Education are established in Utah Code Section 53B-1-408 and Utah Board of Higher Education Policies R143 and R121.
- b. The duties and responsibilities of the Commissioner of Higher Education are established in Utah Code Section 53B-1-408 and Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R141.

Sections IV- VII are for user information and are not subject to the approval of the Academic Senate or the Board of Trustees. The Institutional Policy Committee, the Policy Owner, or the Policy Officer may update these sections at any time.

IV. Policies/ Rules, Procedures, Guidelines, Forms and other Related Resources

- A. Policies/ Rules. [reserved]
- B. Procedures, Guidelines, and Forms. [reserved]
- C. Other Related Resources.
 1. Members of the Utah Board of Higher Education
 2. Bylaws of the University of Utah Board of Trustees

V. References

- A. Utah Code Section 53B-2-101
- B. Utah Code Section 53B-1-102
- C. Utah Code Title 53B, Chapter 17, University of Utah
- D. Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R120
- E. Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R121
- F. Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R141
- G. Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R143

VI. Contacts

The designated contact officials for this regulation are

- A. Policy Owner(s) (primary contact person for questions and advice): Liaison to the Board of Trustees
- B. Policy Officer(s): Secretary to the University

See Rule 1-001 for information about the roles and authority of policy owners and policy officers.

VII. History

- A. Current version. Revision 0.
 - 1. Approved by the Academic Senate May 7, 2012 and the Board of Trustees June 12, 2012 with Effective Date of June 12, 2012.
 - 2. Editorial Revisions
 - a. Editorially revised October 5, 2022 to move to current regulations template
 - b. Editorially revised October 5, 2022 to replace references to the State Board of Regents with the Utah Board of Higher Education.
 - c. Editorially revised October 5, 2022 to update references to relevant sections of Utah Code and Utah Board of Higher Education Policies.
- B. Renumbering
 - 1. Renumbered from Policy and Procedures Manual 7-0 through 7-5 and Polices 2-100 through 2-105. Renumbered from 2-100 through 2-105 to this Policy 2-001.