



## Annual Report to the Faculty Senate, 2022-2023

July 2023

The Committee on Academic Programs and Policies (CAPP) considered the following items during the 2022-23 academic year:

### September 2022

On September 28, 2022 CAPP was asked to review "Proposal for a new undergraduate Minor in Data Science". A summary of that review was shared with the Dean of Faculty on September 30, 2022. The committee was supportive of the proposal while also raising questions regarding the funding and staffing processes for such minors so that significant increases in demand for a limited number of courses are properly addressed in the face of limited faculty capacity.

### December 2022-February 2023

On December 19, 2022, CAPP was asked to review the Faculty Senate resolution entitled, "Academic Freedom in Cornell Programs in China and Other Parts of the Global Hubs System" which had been submitted to the Office of the Dean of Faculty after being brought to the Faculty Senate for the Good of the Order in its December 14, 2022 meeting by Carl Franck (Physics). A summary of that review was shared with the Dean of Faculty on February 16, 2023. The committee was generally supportive of the sentiment of the resolution, but also communicated a number of issues for consideration related to its focus and framing.

### February 2023-March 2023

On February 28, 2023, CAPP was asked to review two proposals from Bowers CIS entitled, "Proposal to Authorize Use of the Professor of the Practice Title" and "Proposal to Authorize Use of the Research Professor Title." The committee was supportive of the proposals which were seen as consistent to prior proposals reviewed by the committee.

### March-May 2023

CAPP was asked to review four proposals in March and April. The summary of those reviews was shared with the Dean of Faculty on May 5, 2023. The first, "Cornell Jeb E. Brooks School of Public Policy Proposal for the Academic Title of Professor of the Practice," was viewed by the committee as consistent with other similar proposal the



committee has reviewed from other university units. The second, “Minor in Digital Agriculture,” was supported by the committee with no comments. The third, “AI Undergraduate Education,” raised a question regarding whether the shared AI committee report was supposed to have been shared/vetted with CAPP at this time or whether the request was premature. Nevertheless, the committee reviewed the proposal, supported it, and provided some minor comments to the Dean of Faculty. The fourth, “Proposal Materials for Actuarial Science as Both Single College and Cross-College Minor,” was also supported by the committee along with a minor comment about the proposal titling.

August 2022-May 2023

At the request of the vice-provost for international affairs, the CAPP committee chair continued to serve as an ex officio member of both the International Council and the Global Hubs Faculty Advisory Committee in order to improve communication and understanding between those groups and CAPP. The CAPP committee chair attended those regular meetings each month.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Milstein".

Mark Milstein (Chair)