



**APS JUSTIFICATION**

**Policy Title:** Independent Teaching and Scholarly/Creative Work

**APS Number:** 1043

**APS Functional Area:** **ACADEMIC/RESEARCH**

<b>Date Submitted:</b>	October 11, 2024
<b>Proposed Action:</b>	Revision
<b>Brief Description:</b>	This policy defines independent teaching and scholarly or creative work.
<b>Desired Effective Date:</b>	TBD
<b>Responsible University Officer:</b>	Vice President for Academic Affairs
<b>Responsible Office:</b>	Office of Academic Affairs
<b>Policy Contact:</b>	Office of Academic Affairs
<b>Applies to:</b>	All campuses

**Reason for Policy:** Defines independent teaching and scholarly or creative work, referenced in Article 5.B.2(B) of Regent Law.

**I. REASON FOR PROPOSED ACTION**

This APS was put in place to clarify the meaning of independent teaching and scholarly or creative work, referenced in Article 5.B.2(B) of Regent Law. Since regent law 5, part B and regent policy 5.B on Academic Freedom are also under review, we want to consider them together with this related APS. Very minor grammatical updates are proposed in APS 1043.

**II. STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT IN THE POLICY REVIEW**

Provosts, Faculty Council and the Educational Policy and University Standards (EPUS) Committee

**III. LEGAL REVIEW**

- A. Do you think legal review would be required for these proposed changes? **No**
  - 1. If no, please explain: **Suggested changes are minor. Even though legal review was not required, we still requested that University Counsel review changes to APS 1043.**
  - 2. If yes, what is your plan to get the legal review?
- B. Date legal review completed: **August 2024**
- C. Person completing legal review: **Julie Steeler**

**IV. FISCAL REVIEW**

Are there any financial (human resources, technology, operations, training, etc.) or other resource impacts of implementing this policy (e.g., cost savings, start-up costs, additional time for faculty or staff, new systems, or software)? **No.**  
If yes, please explain: