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Professor Linda Mabbs Chair, University Senate 1100 Marie Mount Hall University of Maryland College Park, MD 20742-7541

Dear Chair Mabbs:

The Senate Faculty Affairs Committee began their work on Senate Doc #10-11-04, "University Policies Related to Lecturers/Instructors and Research Faculty," at their first meeting on September 13, 2010. The committee decided to create a Working Group to conduct a preliminary evaluation to determine whether there are areas of concern with the current policies related to non-tenured/tenure-track faculty at the University of Maryland, as well as comparing our policies to those of our peer institutions.

The Working Group has been diligently researching and reviewing this charge, as well as compiling its findings in a report with recommendations. The original deadline set for the committee report on this charge was December 1, 2010.

We respectfully request that the Faculty Affairs Committee be granted an extension for Senate Doc #10-11-04 until February 7, 2011. This new deadline will allow ample time for the Working Group to finalize its research and recommendations, and present its report to the full committee at the first Faculty Affairs Committee meeting in the Spring 2011 semester.

Please let us know if you have questions or if we may be of assistance. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Schwab Chair, University Senate Faculty Affairs Committee

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Cc: Reka Montfort, Executive Director, University Senate



University Senate CHARGE

Date:	September 1, 2010
То:	Robert Schwab
	Chair, Faculty Affairs Committee
From:	Linda Mabbs
	Chair, University Senate
Subject:	University Policies Related to Lecturers/Instructors & Research Faculty
Senate Document #:	10-11-04
Deadline:	December 1, 2010

The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) requests that the Faculty Affairs Committee review the attached proposal regarding policies for lecturers/instructors and research faculty at the University of Maryland.

The SEC feels that a preliminary evaluation will help determine whether there are areas of concern. Therefore, we ask that the Faculty Affairs Committee review the existing policies and comment on whether they are appropriate.

Specifically, we ask that you:

- 1. Review any existing University policies related to these constituencies including II-1.00(F) UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND POLICY ON FULL-TIME and PART-TIME NON-TENURE TRACK INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY.
- 2. Compare our existing policies to those at our peer institutions.
- 3. Comment on whether there are any areas of concern that should be reevaluated.

We ask that you submit your report and recommendations to the Senate Office no later than December 1, 2010. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Reka Montfort in the Senate Office, extension 5-5804.