



University Senate

PROPOSAL FORM

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Title of Proposal:	Proposal to Restrict Smoking on Campus
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Description of issue/concern/policy in question:	The current policy towards smoking on campus restricts smoking to outdoors and at least 15 feet away from any building. However, this policy does not address the health concerns that arise due to those who smoke along routes connecting buildings on campus. The current policy puts the health of students, staff, and faculty at risk by not providing a smoke free environment for those who do not smoke.
Description of action/changes you would like to see implemented and why:	I recommend a more restricted smoking policy; one that restricts smoking to designated smoking areas on campus that are clearly delineated and do not block any major corridors for walking from building to building. This proposal provides a compromise between a campus-wide ban and the current policy.
Suggestions for how your proposal could be put into practice:	These designated smoking areas could be positioned to allow access to a smoking area from anywhere on campus within a reasonable amount of time. Additionally, these areas could have shelters to provide refuge from foul weather, one of the major causes of violations of the current policy.
Additional Information:	Please see attached full proposal for a more detailed examination of the concerns and proposed solution.

Please send your completed form and any supporting documents to senate-admin@umd.edu or University of Maryland Senate Office, 1100 Marie Mount Hall, College Park, MD 20742-7541. Thank you!