

May 16, 2012 - updated July 2, 2015

DEANS AND DEPARTMENT CHAIRS

ACADEMIC SENATE CHAIR

ORU DIRECTORS

VICE CHANCELLOR HEALTH SCIENCES (VCHS)

VICE CHANCELLOR MARINE SCIENCES (VCMS)

Subject: Reminder of Policy for Creation and Oversight of non-ORU Centers

This statement is sent out as a reminder of the policy governing creation and oversight of non-ORU centers.

CREATION

For the General Campus, a letter from the Vice Chancellor for Research (VCR) is required to establish a non-ORU center that will be housed in a General Campus division, department, or ORU. The VCR will consult with the Executive Vice Chancellor - Academic Affairs and the head of the hosting academic unit - the dean, department chair, or ORU director – to ensure support for the establishment of the center prior to issuing the letter. This process ensures that there will not be duplication of effort and is consistent with the campus's ORU Policy and Procedures document <http://blink.ucsd.edu/sponsor/ora/orus/policy.html>. Non-ORU centers can be formed in Health Sciences and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO) through authorization by the Vice Chancellor Health Sciences and Vice Chancellor Marine Sciences, respectively.

SUPPORT

It is expected that non-ORU centers will be supported within departments, Divisions, ORUs, or across units and VC areas using their existing resources. Support for leaders of non-ORU centers should be addressed within the hosting academic unit.

REVIEW

Center in a department - The department chair will review the center at least every 5 years to determine its value and continued viability. The center's director, VCR and EVCAA will be notified of any decision to disestablish.

Center in a Division - The divisional dean will review the center at least every 5 years to determine its value and continued viability. The center's director, VCR and EVCAA will be notified of any decision to disestablish.

Center in an ORU or an interdivisional center – The center will be reviewed as part of the ORUs multi-year review. The center's director, VCR and EVCAA will be notified of any decision to disestablish.

ORA will maintain a current listing of all non-ORU centers on its website. This policy is effective immediately.

Sandra A. Brown
Vice Chancellor for Research