

**Humboldt State University  
University Senate**

**Resolution to Support the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) efforts  
to re-establish appropriate unit limits of Engineering Baccalaureate Degrees**

#50-13/14-EX – April 29, 2014

**Resolved:** That the Humboldt State University Senate supports ASCSU Resolution AS 3158-13/AA, which asks that Title 5 be amended to establish a limit of 132/198 semester/quarter units for engineering baccalaureate programs; and be it further

**Resolved,** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to  
Dr. Diana Writght Guerin, ASCSU Chair,  
Dr. Rollin Richmond, HSU President,  
Dr. Lisa Rossbacher, Incoming HSU President, and  
the CSU Campus Senate Chairs.

**Rationale:** The Humboldt State University Senate is committed to the principles of shared governance and believe firmly in the faculty's roll as ultimate arbiter of the curriculum. Section 5. of the American Association of University Professor's 1966 Statement on Government of Colleges and Universities (Appendix B of the HSU Faculty Handbook) states, "The faculty has primary responsibility for such fundamental areas as curriculum, subject matter and methods of instruction, research, faculty status, and those aspects of student life which relate to the educational process." and, "The faculty sets the requirements for the degrees offered in course, determines when the requirements have been met, and authorizes the president and board to grant the degrees thus achieved."

As the 120/180 semester/quarter unit limits are arbitrary and arrived at without regard for the variation in units required in different major programs or consultation with faculty, we support the ASCSU resolution requesting that Title V be amended to increase the unit limits for engineering baccalaureate programs to a more reasonable 132/198 semester/quarter units. Such a limit allows CSU engineering programs to maintain their rigor and quality while allowing students to attain intellectual breadth through general education without waivers and contrived double counting.