UNIVERSITY POLICY FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Policy No. UPAA-9 COURSE EVALUATIONS

1. General Information.

1.1. Scope: Academic policy regarding the course evaluations of faculty completed by students.

1.2. Authority: W. Va. Code §18B-1-6

1.3. Passage Date: April 25, 2019

1.4. Effective Date: May 28, 2019

1.5. Controlling over: Marshall University

1.6. History: Amended to better describe current practices of delivering evaluations. SR-97-98-2 FPC originally approved by the BOG on 8-Mar-2019. This rule was updated (recategorization of polices and rules) by the Marshall Board of Governors on December 13, 2023.

2. Policy

2.1. University policy requires course evaluations in every course, every semester. The procedures may vary by department but in most cases the evaluations are conducted online. Results of the evaluations are not available to the instructor until after final grades are submitted. The results of the student evaluation are available to the instructor, their immediate supervisor. Dean of the college housing the instructor, and Dean, director, and/or chair housing the course the day after final grades are due / submitted. These evaluations are a way for the instructor and department to gauge areas of strengths and weaknesses and should be regarded as a positive learning tool. They are also used in the promotion and tenure documentation; see the department chair for specific policies.

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