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Title: Approval of changes to ARP 4.69 Academic Rules for Distance Education

Date Submitted: February 23, 2026

Sponsor(s): Erickson (Business)

Proposed Committee:

Prior Approvals:

Proposal: The faculty approves the proposed changes to ARP 4.69 as proposed by The Policy Steering Committee.

Rationale: Initially proposed by the Online Learning Council. The proposed changes to ARP 4.69 have received extensive review including by individual faculty and staff, Faculty Senate Leadership Committee, and the Office of the Chancellor of Global.

Regents Policy Manual (RPM) 100.G makes clear that Faculty senate plays a key role in approving policy in regards to the academic mission:

“The Faculty Senate has legislative prerogative to initiate and develop rules and procedures affecting the university’s academic mission in regard to education, research, and service, including but not limited to the Administrative Rules and Procedures of NMSU and the Course Catalog.”

In that distance learning is an important aspect of the academic mission, approval by the Faculty Senate is required for full approval of changes to ARP 4.69.