

Article 31

MISCELLANEOUS CONDITIONS

A. Offices

The STATE SYSTEM/UNIVERSITIES shall supply each FACULTY MEMBER with suitable office space and facilities, which the STATE SYSTEM/UNIVERSITIES shall maintain.

B. Unemployment Compensation

FACULTY MEMBERS shall be eligible for unemployment compensation benefits as provided by law.

C. Indemnity for Liability

The STATE SYSTEM/UNIVERSITIES shall hold a FACULTY MEMBER harmless of and from any and all claims, suits, orders or judgments arising as the result of any action taken as a FACULTY MEMBER in the ordinary course of employment.

D. Television Tapes

Participation in instructional television tapes is to be voluntary on the part of FACULTY MEMBER(S). The University and FACULTY MEMBER(S) shall agree, either before or after the taping, as to the future use and disposition of the taped material.

E. Curriculum Committee

There shall be a curriculum committee at each University, which shall be selected as determined by the FACULTY, but which may include at least one (1) administrator if designated by the President.

F. Past Practice

Rules, regulations, policies or practices relating to wages, hours and terms and conditions of employment now existing and not in conflict with this Agreement shall remain in effect unless modified, amended or eliminated in the same manner as they had been adopted. The provisions of this section of this Article shall be subject to the provisions of Article 5, GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE AND ARBITRATION, but only with respect to whether the procedure used to modify, amend or eliminate the rules, regulations, policies or practices was the same as was used to establish the rules, regulations, policies or practices.

G. Academic Advising and Student Scheduling

1. The parties recognize that academic advising is a role of the faculty, and that no change in the involvement of faculty in academic advising is intended by this statement.
2. The parties also recognize that it is appropriate for the UNIVERSITIES to assign to other personnel (who may not be a member of the bargaining unit) the following tasks in cooperation with the faculty advisor of record and the department chairperson:
 - a. student course schedules and registration;
 - b. informing students of degree, major field, distribution and track requirements;
 - c. assisting in the implementation of academic advisor's recommendations;
 - d. problem-solving in scheduling conflicts;
 - e. assisting students in gaining access to recommended courses;
 - f. maintaining and communicating the schedule of current and future course offerings (including special designation courses) by department; and
 - g. understanding the four-year structure of course offerings.
3. During the term of this Agreement, the parties shall study the student advising function and recommend models of best practice.