

BROOKLYN COLLEGE,
CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PUERTO RICAN AND LATINO STUDIES

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Whereas, the Chancellor of CUNY has announced that a revised version of the “Draft Resolution on Creating an Efficient Transfer System” is soon to be released; and

Whereas, CUNY's historic commitments to high academic standards and to the norms of faculty governance are essential to the success of its students, and to its standing as a great public university; and

Whereas, the disciplinary, curricular, and pedagogical expertise lies with the faculty;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Department of Puerto Rican and Latino Studies at Brooklyn College urges the Board of Trustees to ensure that the following principles are strictly adhered to in any Board actions relating to general education, transfer, and faculty responsibility for curriculum:

(1) Issues of transfer are to be addressed directly as an operational matter subject to faculty review and approval, and not indirectly through curricular changes in general education or any other academic programs.

(2) The principle of faculty responsibility for curriculum, and in particular the responsibility of faculty at the individual colleges for determining general education requirements at their campuses, is to be fully upheld.

(3) There shall be no amendments to any language in the CUNY Bylaws pertaining to faculty responsibility for curriculum, including but not limited to Section 8.6.

Note: This resolution was passed unanimously.