

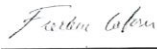
**Central Connecticut State University**  
UNIVERSITY SENATE ACTION

**Senate Motion Number FS 20.21.023B**

TO: President Zulma Toro  
FROM: President of the University Senate


1. The attached motion of the University Senate, dealing with: **Student Opinion Surveys and Other Matters for Fall'20 & Spring'21**, is presented to you for your consideration.
2. This motion was adopted by the University Senate on **03/22/2021**.
3. After considering this motion, please indicate your action on this form, and return it together with the original copy to the President of the University Senate.
4. Under the By-Laws of the University Senate, Section 3.7, the following schedule of action is to be observed.
  - a) By **05/28/2021**, Senate action reported to the President of the University. (Within five school days of the session in which they are adopted).
  - b) By **06/14/2021**, the President of the University to return the motion to the President of the Senate. (Within ten school days of its receipt).

**05/28/2021**  
Date

  
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Frederic Latour, President, University Senate

ENDORSEMENT:

TO: President of the University Senate  
FROM: President Zulma Toro

1. Motion Approved : \_\_\_\_\_ 
2. Motion Disapproved: \_\_\_\_\_ (Explanatory statement must be appended).
3. Action "is deferred": \_\_\_\_\_
4. Resolution Noted: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6/23/2021  
Date

  
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President Zulma Toro

Student Opinion Survey Policy for Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021

For courses taught in the Spring 2020 Semester, the following policy shall apply:

- To the extent possible, students should be afforded the opportunity to submit their comments on an end of semester Student Opinion Survey.
- For departments that previously had not selected to do their surveys online, the administration shall make reasonable effort to provide an online option for those departments. Departments that had previously elected to use online surveys shall continue to do so.
- Faculty who are applying for promotion, tenure, annual renewal, or sexennial review shall not be obligated to submit student opinion surveys for the Spring 2020 semester as part of their portfolio, and the review of their portfolio shall not be prejudiced by the lack of Spring 2020 student opinion surveys. Faculty should refer to the Faculty Senate Promotion and Tenure Guidelines for examples of alternative supporting evidence for load credit activity.

For courses taught in the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semester:

- Faculty members are urged to follow the Faculty Senate Promotion and Tenure Guidelines, as well as their department's guidelines, when constructing their evaluation portfolio. In particular, they are advised to include supportive evidence for the quality of their load credit activity that goes beyond student opinion surveys.
- Evaluators of portfolios are reminded that student opinion surveys are an imperfect tool and should not be the only measure of the quality of a faculty member's load credit activity. In particular, they are exhorted to take into consideration the extraordinary circumstances of the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters when reviewing applicant portfolios.
- The same consideration as above should be afforded part-time faculty whose evaluation may include the review of student opinion surveys.