# **Process for Requesting APU Changes**

Academic Programmatic Units (APUs) [DEFINITION]: A group of five or more faculty members with programmatically similar activities. The group's characteristics, such as activity type and income potential, determine the salary scale.

## The Different Types of Departmental/School Change Requests:

- 1. Faculty Member(s) Changing from One APU Code to Another
- 2. APU Definition Changes
- 3. Entire APU Code Changing Scale
- 4. Expired APU Profile Form (typically every 5 years)

### Items Needed from Department/School When Requesting APU Changes:

- 1. **Memo from Chair/Dean** which Should Include the Following:
  - a. Description of the requested changes and the effective date.
  - b. Justification for the changes, including their impact on any Faculty.
  - c. Confirmation that the Faculty members are in good standing.
  - d. Confirmation that the department accept any 415(m) liability that may result.
  - e. Confirmation that all the members will be able to maintain the covered compensation rate for at least 3 years, provided the faculty member still meets the defined criteria.
  - f. Note: For APUs with fewer than 5 members, provide justification for the exception.
- 2. Updated APU Profile Form that Lists all the Current Members' Salary Broken Out by Component
  - a. ARC can help prepare the form and provide to the department/school to obtain the signatures from the Chair and DBO

## **Department/School Change Requests Can Be Submitted To:**

- ARCrequest@health.ucsd.edu (ARC) or
- <u>H3ho@health.ucsd.edu</u> (Director of Academic Compensation)

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- 1. The department/school identifies the changes they wish to request.
- 2. The department/school collaborates with the Chair/School Dean to generate and sign the memo to send to ARC.
- 3. ARC assists in generating the updated APU profile forms and provides them to the department/school for review and signature.
- 4. ARC sends the signed memo and APU profile forms to the SOM Dean or VCHS for review.
- 5. Once approved, the SOM Dean/VC signs and timestamps the APU profile forms and notifies ARC.
- 6. ARC notifies and sends the signed APU profile forms to department/School for records, and implement changes in UCPath and other systems accordingly.