

## GOVERNANCE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON

Governance at The University of Scranton is rooted in the identity of The University as an American, Catholic, and Jesuit institution of higher education at the beginning of the twenty-first century. As our •š š u v š }( u ]••]}v The University is a Catholic and Jesuit university animated by the spiritual vision and the tradition of excellence characteristic of the Society of Jesus and those who share in its way of proceeding. The University is a community dedicated to the freedom of inquiry and personal development fundamental to the growth in wisdom and integrity of all who share in its life. An effective system of governance, appropriate to this institution at this time in its history, is essential š} šZ (µo(]oou v š }( šZ hv]À œ•]šÇ[• u ]••]}v µ• ]š ]• }v }( šZ u u œ• }( šZ hv]À œ•]šÇ }uuµv]šÇ œ o š} ^•Z œ ]v ]š• o]( X

Governance is a process of consultation, communication and decision-making that produces institutional policies. These policies are the general guidelines that inform decision making and the development of procedures throughout the University. The Board of Trustees approves or ratifies policies of the University or delegates this authority to the President and other administrators of the University. Within the University, our system of governance is composed of several different groups šZ W œ • ] v š, [whos members, as a whole, can approve or decide on institutional policy; the representative governing bodies who view, recommend, and/or advise on policy; and advisory groups whose members, as charged by the Vice President or other individual to whom they report, review material related to the development of policy and/or other University decision making

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The representative governing bodies, by their nature, play a unique role in the life of the University. In their primary role, they serve as a forum for review, discussion, and consultation related to policy issues that may affect their represented constituencies. Secondly, they serve to represent their constituency interests in a variety of venues and processes on campus. The following statement of principles is intended to provide guidance to how these groups interact with one another in governance and the constituents they represent.

The University of Scranton *Statement of Governance Principles*

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