

LSU A&M FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION 21-02

Faculty Endorsement of the Graduate Student Bill of Rights

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Whereas graduate students are critical members of Louisiana State University who facilitate many of its core functions; and

Whereas graduate students occupy a unique role as students, scholars and in some cases employees of LSU, which generates a similarly unique set of issues regarding their status at the university; and

Whereas the Graduate Student Association at LSU has drafted a Graduate Student Bill of Rights which addresses many of these concerns as well as graduate student responsibilities; and

Whereas this Bill of Rights was approved by the LSU Student Senate in the fall of 2020; and

Whereas the Graduate Student Association has brought this Bill of Rights to the Faculty Senate seeking its endorsement; and

Whereas the Graduate School is currently undergoing a strategic planning initiative which makes this a propitious time for proposing changes to the policies and practices governing the rights and responsibilities of graduate students:

Therefore, be it resolved that the LSU Faculty Senate endorses the principles embodied within the Graduate Student Bill of Rights and recommends it be reviewed by the Graduate School for the purpose of adoption into Graduate School policy when practicable.