

# Memorandum

TO: Ad Hoc Committee  
for Political Research Data

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SUBJECT: Draft of ICPR Agreement

At the meeting on May 5th at Los Angeles, the Ad Hoc Committee requested the Chancellor's Office draft an agreement between CSUC and the Inter-University Consortium for Political Research (ICPR). This draft covers the following points:

1. Representation scheme for the campuses;
  2. Governing structure to be used by CSUC;
  3. Mechanism for dissemination of information;
  4. Participation and faculty interaction;
  5. Summer workshop participation;
  6. Costs.
- 1) CSUC proposes to set up a Co-ordinating Council consisting of a representative from each of the 19 campuses plus two ex-officio members from the Chancellor's Office.
  - 2) This Council shall be charged with:
    - a. The selection of the ten voting members for the annual conference of the ICPR;
    - b. The selection of attendees for the summer workshops:

- c. The co-ordination of internal workshops for CSUC faculty and students;
  - d. The promotion of development of common curricula;
  - e. The establishment of priorities for and co-ordination of the development of software systems and data bases;
  - f. The promotion of participation by diverse disciplines and multidisciplinary work with these data methods;
  - g. The Co-ordinating Council shall authorize such special interest groups and subcommittees as it needs to perform its functions;
  - h. Additionally, the campus representative shall be responsible for co-ordinating requests for data from their campus, promoting the use of this resource, and ensuring that some consultation procedure for users exists on the campus.
- 3) Requests for data shall normally be routed through the campus representative to the data co-ordinator in the Division of Information Systems, Chancellor's Office. The co-ordinators shall ensure that the requested data is not already available within the system, but they shall in no way censor requests. This function is performed to ensure that ICPR is not besieged with multiple requests for the same information. Also, if the data is available, we can respond more quickly within the system than a response can be obtained from ICPR. In no event shall Information Systems require over two working days from receipt to responding to the request. The campus co-ordinator and the requestor will be notified of the action taken by Information Systems.
- Information Systems shall support the campuses in answering routines questions about data processing methodology, techniques available, and similar areas, but shall not interfere with the individual faculty members necessary right to contact ICPR directly for assistance.
- 4) Under the general policy of the Co-ordinating Council, system-wide faculty interest groups will be encouraged to develop applications, create or give guidance to the creation of software

packages, and recommend specific packages to be supported on the Regional Data Center Timesharing computer and Batch computer.

- 5) A maximum of 38 attendees to the summer workshops in Michigan will be selected by the Co-ordinating Council. Any faculty wishing to attend must submit an application to the Council which will select attendees on an equitable institutional and departmental basis.

Information Systems shall also inform the campuses and campus representatives of news, of novel uses of the data, and other items of interest. The Information Systems Newsletter is an existing monthly publication which will be used initially for this purpose, since it gives general and specific coverage to items of interest relating to the field of computation.

- 6) A tentative price of \$30,000 has been discussed between ICPR and the Ad Hoc Committee of CSUC. It is understood that this or any other dollar figure is pending approval of higher authority.

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