## UFC Action Item from UFAC March 31, 2022

## **Commencement and COVID Precautions**

Some faculty have expressed concern about a recent email sent by the Provost requiring our participation in the commencement ceremony without also describing what kinds of COVID mitigation methods will be in place. The email also did not mention that faculty who are vulnerable to serious COVID (or those with vulnerable family members) could seek an exemption from this requirement.

Action Item: The UFAC members encourage the University Faculty Council to discuss these issues at its next meeting and ask administrators to explain what COVID policies will look like at commencement and how faculty who need to avoid situations with higher risks of COVID transmission can do so.