

Statement in Support of AAUP-Utica and Shared Governance at Utica University

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The AAUP chapter at Hamilton College stands in solidarity with Utica University faculty, who are [fighting to uphold core principles of shared governance](#) afforded by the University's [Collective Bargaining Agreement](#) and [specified in the Faculty Senate by-laws](#). We join them in [condemning the process](#) by which the outgoing administration circumvented the faculty's explicit authority and function as it concerns curricular oversight. We urge the Board of Trustees of Utica University to set aside the recommendation of the administratively appointed "special working group" to eliminate fifteen academic majors and revise an additional eight more under threat of elimination, and to pursue an appropriate, transparent process directed by the Curriculum Committee to address the underlying concerns that motivated this illegitimate action.

Signed,

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