

R201, Presidents' Responsibility to the System, the Assigned Institution, and for Legislative Relations¹

R201-1 Purpose: To establish the priority of responsibilities of Utah System of Higher Education (“USHE”) presidents and to a particular institution which is a part of USHE.²

R201-2 References

- 2.1** [Utah Code § 53H-3-303](#), Duties and Responsibilities of the President
- 2.2** [Board Policy R120](#), Board of Higher Education Bylaws

R201-3 Policy

- 3.1 First Responsibility to System:** The presidents, as executive officers, owe a responsibility first to the System and then to a particular institution which is a part of the System. It is the duty of the presidents under the law to support the Utah Board of Higher Education decisions including, but not limited to, budget, finance, facilities, planning, roles, curriculum, programs, and System-wide administrative policies.

- 3.2 Informational Liaison with Legislators:** The presidents shall maintain effective informational liaison with members of the Utah Legislature. Institutional representatives should keep members of the legislature fully informed so that they can better understand and resolve the problems and appreciate the accomplishments of the System.

¹ *Adopted July 27, 1971; amended September 2, 1999; and August 30, 2024.*

² *Technical edits December 1, 2025.*