UI Official Records Retention Schedule

Official records are: (1) records having the legally recognized and judicially enforceable quality of establishing some fact, policy, or institutional position or decision. (2) the single official copy of a document maintained on file by an administrative unit of the University which is usually, but not always, the original. (3) subject to the records retention requirements included in the Records Management Program and Retention Schedule.

**Vital: records with information considered essential for the operations of a department (and/or the University) and includes information that may prevent a department from incurring serious liability or risk, or that would be extremely costly to replace. In the event of a disaster, this information, if destroyed, would make it difficult for a department to conduct normal business activities.

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Official Record	Official Record		Administrative Unit Responsible for Establishing Retention	Guideline (5 Years, 10 Years or	Confidential*		Official Files Maintained By (Central Administrative Unit or Local
Category	Title	Official Record Description	Criteria	Permanent)*	* (Yes/No)	(Yes/No)	Department)
		Non-Board of Regent reports documenting departmental/unit/org activities, service					
		levels, outputs, etc. that are required for	Records				Local Department
Administrative		accreditation or per other state or federal	Management				completing the Annual
Records	Annual Reports	regulations.	Committee	Permanent	No	Yes	Report
Administrative Records	Board of Regents Meeting Docket/Agenda Materials and Annual Reports	Required information, annual reports and other reports of secretarial officers (as required by Iowa Code 262.25) provided by the UI to the BOR office for all matters to be brought before the Board. Each institution will prepare its own portion of the agenda and forward same, with all supporting material, to the executive director of the BOR on a schedule provided by the Board Office.	Records Management Committee	10 years	No	Yes	Local Department responsible for submitting the report/materials

^{*} Records that may have historical or enduring value should be reviewed by the University Archivist before destruction.

^{**}Confidential: records with information of various sorts that the University receives and holds confidential unless otherwise ordered by a court, by the lawful custodian of the records or by another person duly authorized to release such information. Examples include: student records, medical records, personnel records, etc.

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		Final versions of official policies or required					
		procedures that are not maintained in the					
		UI Operations Manual. Policies and related					
	Departmental policies	procedures (internal or external), etc. that					Local Department
	and related	are used in the administration and	Records				responsible for the
Administrative	procedures, or policy	management of the department and should	Management				policy development and
Records	manuals	be memorialized.	Committee	Permanent	No	Yes	oversight
	Departmental, Unit,	Unit or program reviews conducted as required by UI Operations Manual policy, to allow the University community to examine operations and programs and evaluate how well they function in relation					
	Collegiate, Program,	to the University's mission as well as	Records	Self - study: Until next			
Administrative	Accreditation Reviews	University guidelines, policies, and	Management	review. Report and			Local Department
Records	& Self Studies	procedures.	Committee	response: Permanent.	No	No	completing the review
			Telecommunicati				
Administrative		Documentation of monthly long distance	on & Network				Telecommunication and
Records	Long-distance Charges	telephone charges. Current and prior published versions of	Services - ITS	5 Years	Yes	No	Network Services - ITS
		the University of Iowa Operations Manual, including organizational charts documenting	Records				University Secretary (Finance and
Administrative	Operations Manual -	the governance structures in place at the	Management				Operations) & UI
Records	University of Iowa	time of publication.	Committee	Permanent	No	Yes	Archivist

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							Local Department
		University of Iowa Strategic Plan. Individual					creating required
		org, department or unit strategic plans not					strategic plan.
		considered official records unless	Records				University Archivist
Administrative	Strategic Plan -	otherwise required for accreditation or per	Management				will maintain UI
Records	University of Iowa	other federal or state regulations.	Committee	Permanent	No	Yes	Strategic Plan
							VP Unit responsible for
		Annual membership listings for UI charter					oversight of the
		committees which are established in an					committee. (Also
	University of Iowa	effort to assure that University-wide	Records				retained permanently
Administrative	Charter Committee	services and activities will be carried out in	Management				by UI Archivist due to
Records	Member Listings	the best interests of education and society.	Committee	10 Years	No	No	historical value)