

Annual Report – Academic Policies Committee –2021-2022

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The committee was exceptionally busy this academic year. Details for each item may be found by consulting the Agenda and the Minutes archives on the Faculty Senate website.

- Change to the catalog definition of “Credit Hours”. August 25, 2021
- Minor changes to the description of “Termination from the Major” in the catalog, to include termination from a concentration. Sept. 22, 2021
- Approval of Academic Calendars Fall 2022-Spring 2026, including definitions of dates and deadlines to be used in future calendars and catalogs. Oct. 20, 2021
- Change to the requirements for students to qualify for the Dean’s list. Dec. 8, 2021
- Revision of the Incomplete grade policy to exclude it from counting as an F on the student’s transcript until the Incomplete is changed to a grade by the instructor or the deadline for completion is past. Feb. 9, 2022
- Revision of the Never Attended grade policy to exclude it from counting as an F on the student’s transcript. Mar. 23, 2022
- Extensive revision to Academic Standing, AP 5.2, with new definitions of Warning, Probation, Suspension, and Dismissal based on both cumulative and current academic period GPA. Apr. 6, 2022

The Chair of the Committee continued to attend the Policy Management Group (PMG) monthly meetings where several issues related to academic policies have originated and/or been discussed.

Appendix

1. During the past calendar year has the President, Provost, or Senior Vice President (or their respective offices) announced initiatives or goals or acted upon issues that fall under the charge of your Committee? If so, was your Committee consulted by the President, Provost, or Senior Vice President in a timely manner before the announcement or action? If not, do you believe your Committee should have been consulted? Would it have been helpful to have had the input of your Committee from the outset?

The committee and the Provost’s office worked in concert for all the business conducted this year.

2. Did your Committee seek information or input from the President, Provost, or Senior Vice President or members of their staffs? If so, did they respond adequately and in a timely manner?

Yes. Information was requested and replies were received.

3. Please suggest how you believe the President, Provost, Senior Vice President and/or their staffs might more effectively interact with your Committee in the future, if necessary.

No suggestions.

4. Please relate any additional information you may have regarding interactions between your Committee and the President, Provost, Senior Vice President, or their staff.

It has been extremely helpful to have Committee participation in the Policy Management group, where some academic policy matters, or issues tangential to them, originate.